



Young Enterprise Winners



The following report is taken from the Bexley Bulletin 9th April

Five teams from Bexley secondary schools took part in this year's Young Enterprise Company Programme competition organised by Bexley's Education Business Partnership.

The annual competition asks teams of students to form their own companies, including electing a Board, producing a business plan and then creating and selling their product or service.

The final took place on Wednesday 31st March at the Civic Offices, Bexleyheath and students were asked to present their product or service, company reports, accounts and marketing skills in front of a panel of judges.

'Flying Colours', a team from Bexley Grammar School, took the best company award for their idea of social enterprise project that raised carbon footprint awareness and devised simple ways to show how people can save energy.

Runners up 'Easy Peasy', also from Bexley Grammar School, revealed their culinary expertise, producing a book of simple recipes targeted at young people, especially university students!

Headteacher of Bexley Grammar School, John Welsh said; "I am delighted with our Young Enterprise team's performance. The team showed confidence, imagination and endeavour to get their projects to such a high standard of development in such a relatively short time. However, their most impressive quality for me was their teamwork. The students were a mixture of ages and they worked brilliantly together with only limited advice from their lead teacher, Miss Taylor. We are both extremely proud of all involved."

Footnote: Bexley Grammar won 6 of the 8 categories. This included the award for Best Company, led by Jack Bates, Joey Hosier and Lydia O'Neill so they and the rest of the

team go on to represent Bexley at the East London finals at the end of April.

Our awards were:

Environmental Award: BGS - FlyingColours

Best Product: BGS - EasyPeasy

Best Report: BGS - EasyPeasy

Best Stand: BGS - FlyingColours

Runner-up to Best Company: BGS - EasyPeasy

BEST COMPANY: BGS – FlyingColours

Congratulations to all involved.

Miss Taylor

Ski Trip 2010

Thank you to all the pupils who made the Easter ski trip one of the most memorable trips I have run. The behaviour and whole approach of the pupils involved was excellent. I was very proud to lead such a great bunch on such a brilliant trip and to see so much progress in people's ability was fantastic. Can I now ask that you bring back all of your ski hire clothing and helmets as soon as possible, to the PE Office. The deadline for this will be Friday 30th April. There is no need to wash any of the clothing just bring it in, in a bag with your name on. Failure to meet this deadline could result in a postal charge for sending the clothing back to the supplier.

Once again well done to everyone for the progress you made on the trip and look out for the letters for next year's trip which will be out soon.

Mr Boyle

Jack Petchey Speak Out

Well done to Alicja Rabikowska (10NSS) and Catherine Garton (10SCB) who participated in the Jack Petchey Speak Out Challenge Final last week. Both girls, along with Oreoluwa Adeyemi (10AT), were first chosen from 25 students who took part in a workshop during an ECM Day to present an assembly to their year group. From this they were then selected to attend the final at The Bexley Business Academy.

All participants spoke in front of a large audience on a topic they felt passionate about. The organisers wish to thank the girls along with all those who took part in the ECM Day for their hard work and effort. It was mentioned to me that the standard this year was quite exceptional; there were so many speakers who could have won.

Mr Pullen

Forthcoming Events

Monday 3rd May ~ Bank Holiday

Wednesday 5th May ~ House showcase event

House News

On Wednesday May 5th the school is presenting a Gala Evening of House Events from this year's competition. The evening will begin at 7pm and will include elements of House Drama, Dance and Music and will give parents, students and teachers the opportunity to enjoy all the hard work that students put into these outstanding performances. Mr Brewer

Year 9

On Tuesday 30th March 13 Year 9 students went on an aim higher trip to the University of Greenwich where students were taught public speaking skills. We were one of four schools from across the borough in attendance and the day culminated in a public speaking competition between 8 chosen students. All of our students delivered some fantastic speeches and they were a credit to the school. Deborah Ayoade of 9CAS made it to the final and delivered a speech on plastic surgery and she won! This was a tremendous achievement.

Detention page ~For this half term we will be trialling a detention page for all Year 9 students located in the back of their planners. Could parents please ensure that they check this regularly and sign to say that they have seen the issued detention. We hope that this will allow us to track students' progress with greater ease. Miss Squires

Year 10

We would like to extend our sincere thanks and congratulations to the Year 10 students who participated in the English workshop on Monday 29th March.

Gifted and Talented pupils from Bexley Grammar met with contemporaries from Coopers to discuss and develop the skills required for high attainment in their English GCSEs. All participants demonstrated profundity and intellect in the face of challenging material, tackling it tremendously.

The day was further enhanced by Mr Baker's enthusiastic and original teaching style. Once again many thanks, in particular to Mr Baker.

Matthew Davies and Sukhvinder Sodhi

Sports News

Thanks to Community Sport Leaders Hannah Kentish, Jack Bates, Helen Paige, Jack Plows and Joey Hosier who completed tag rugby training sessions for Year 5 and 6 at Foster's and Danson Primary Schools. A special congratulations to Hannah Kentish who accompanied Foster's to the borough finals at Sidcup Rugby Club, helping them reach the regional finals later in the year.

Mr Rosenthal

Science News

Congratulations to the following pupils who successfully participated in the first round of the Royal Society of Chemistry 42nd International Chemistry Olympiad. This is an extremely challenging paper testing pupil knowledge, understanding and application of Advanced Level Chemistry. Well done to: Jay Bassan, Diana Matthews, Michael O'Sullivan, Lisa Dinh and Daniel Robinson and congratulations go to Edward Anderson, Oliver Hayes, Harish Faulkner, Joshua Lansdell, Dean Williams, Martin Hart and Farhang Fazeli who each received a commendation.

Miss Skinner

Sophists' Society

On Tuesday evening 40 6th Form students, both A-level and IB, enjoyed a lecture from Professor Jafarey of City University on development economics, discussing whether poor countries really are as poor as we think they are. He was very impressed with the attentiveness and enthusiasm of BGS economists, and has already offered to come back next year.

Ms Stoddard and Mr Joe

Culture Club

This week we went to a classic ballet at the Royal Opera House – a first for Culture Club. Culture Club will be taking a little rest during the examination period, but watch out for some interesting Art trips in particular later in the summer.

Ms Hanington and Ms Stoddard

Merits

Welcome back to all Year 7 students.

Congratulations go to Jake Carmen (7LKS), Skye Willis-Barrett, Sophie Smith, Isobel Richardson, (7HLE), Tom Kearns, Orla Wilkinson, Matthew Goodman, Pippa Cuthbert, (7LRB) for successfully reaching 50 merits.

Well done also goes to Alex Bronson (7HLE) and Conor Robertson (7LKS) who have both worked hard to achieve 100 merits and a distinction for this element in the Year 7 diploma. Mrs Kemp

Congratulations go to Jack Barran (8MJR), Sami Djelassi (8JMP), Sarah Lasoye, Chloe Ellis, Fatima Lee, Mary Odonkor, Caitlin Moore and Shannon Harris (8JR) who have all reached 50 merits. Mr Johnson

Notices

Homework club is cancelled on Thursday 29th April due to staff Twilight Inset.

Meal Deal on Tuesday 27th April ~ Fish, mash and peas for 1p (normally £2-10).