



Year News

Year 7

Congratulations to the following students who have achieved 50 merits: Todd Green, Charlotte Williams, Kathryn Healy and Amy Lawrence all in 7PKS. Keep up the good work. Their names will be entered into the draw for an iPod. K Brown

Year 8

Well done to Miriam Longman (TC) on achieving 50 merits and Richard Masheder (CJA) who has achieved 100 merits, both their names will be entered into the draw for an iPod. H Gilmore

Well done to Elizabeth Adenipekun 8TC, whose piece of work recently completed in English has been chosen to appear on the English department display board as the best piece of key stage 3 work for last term. The piece is a gossip column magazine page for the play 'Twelfth Night' by William Shakespeare and it was beautifully presented and accurately written.

I also want to congratulate the effort, which has led to a huge increase in achievement, in 8TC as a whole. Keep up the good work

Miss Fairbairn

Year 10

Rome Trip ~ During the half term, some Year 10 students and other older students went to Italy for the week. It was an extremely interesting and eventful trip to say the least. On the first few days, we went to Rome and saw St Peter's Basilica, an amazing site which some people managed to climb to the very top of (going up over 500 steps). Others chose to go to the Vatican and see the Sistine Chapel which was equally a remarkable place. Saturday was a long day with lots of walking but thoroughly enjoyable. The following day, we went and saw the astounding Coliseum which was just as big and amazing as people can imagine. Over the next few days, we moved to the Bay Of Naples, where we explored Ostia, Pompeii, Herculaneum

Forthcoming Events

Monday 2nd March ~ Year 9 Option return deadline

Friday 6th March ~ PA Quiz Night

Wednesday 18th March ~ Spring Concert

and where we stayed, Sorrento. From there we had amazing views of Mount Vesuvius, which unfortunately was snow covered on the day we were due to climb it. Nevertheless, it was another incredible view. The night entertainment included a fabulous disco which everyone, even those who were unenthusiastic at first, enjoyed and had a great time. Overall, speaking for most people, we all had an excellent time; enjoying ourselves whilst learning in the process. Also, the teachers were fantastic and we thank them for making our trip so pleasant.

Erin Bullions (10RHS)

Year 11

A reminder to the pupils involved in the tree jumpers it has been changed to the 20th of March.

Also congratulations to all the people involved in House dance as they gave the audience an afternoon they will never forget with spectacular dancing!!!

Jack Bates and Dan Akanni

Year 13

Student finance application forms are now ready to be downloaded from Student Finance England and information can be found on the UCAS website.

All students will be given guidance on how to complete the form during the next ECM day.

Mrs Mallin

Music for Youth Regional Festival ~ Bexley Grammar School's Senior Brass ensemble, a student-run group which calls itself 'Wonderbrass', recently took part in the SE London round of this nationwide competition. The group is led by Simon Arnott in Year 13, and one of the pieces they played was a complex medley of themes from different films he wrote himself. They gave an excellent performance, which involved a high standard of playing, but which was greatly enhanced by African chanting, mime and even a spot of ballet. They were praised for their musical skill and for the imaginativeness of their performance by the judges, and have a good chance of going through to the national finals to be held later this year in Birmingham. Well done to all those involved – Megan Dickson, Michael Ashcroft, Adam Thomas, David Foot, Andrew Denton and Tom Endersby.

May I also take this opportunity to confirm the dates of the Music Tour:

We depart pm Wednesday 15th July

And return lunchtime Tuesday 21st July (having left Venice on Monday afternoon) O Medicott

This coming week, the Christian Union will be meeting on Thursday at 3:15 in L4 for music, to share stories and testimonies, and to discuss the things we are grateful for and the things we hope for. Everybody is more than welcome to come. C U there!

M Harris

Buckingham Palace Reception

Congratulations to David Humber, yet again, for his work with the St John Ambulance: he has been invited to a reception hosted by HRH The Princess Royal at Buckingham Palace on 11th March! This is a follow up to him being named St John Ambulance Deputy London Cadet of the Year.

Parents' Association Quiz Night Social ~ for the parents and children in Years 7/8/9

Date: Friday 6th March

Venue: Bexley Grammar School Hall

Time: Arrive at 7 pm for 7.30 pm start

Bring your own supper and drinks

Tickets are £5 per head or £36 for a table of 8.

Please send cash or cheque (marked 'PA Quiz Night') to BGS PA, care of the Finance Office.

This is another chance to meet BGS parents in your child's year group.

All money raised will go towards our new fundraising targets for 2009/10:

- Outdoor sports and entertainment equipment, specifically for use by students at break and lunchtime.

