



House News

The House competition has got off to a strong start this year, with numerous sports competitions already having taken place. Last week was the turn of Boys' Football (Junior winner - Collins, Intermediate winner - Prothero, Senior winner - Wellman), and Girls' Basketball (won by Prothero in the Juniors, with Mabbs & Prothero tying for 1st place in the Intermediate games). The all-important Sportsmanship points for these competitions were won by Johnson, Kirkman, Mabbs and Wellman – well done to these Houses for showing such a professional, fair attitude during the events.

The first of the year's big competitions is taking place on Friday 14th October; all the Houses are currently rehearsing hard for our annual House Drama competition, and I'm sure that the standard will be as high as ever. This will be judged by Mr Otley, Mr Morgan and Mrs Triggs, and I know they are going to have a very hard job to do!

The current league table is as follows. Congratulations to Prothero for maintaining last year's lead and well done to all the Houses for working so hard so far this year!

1 st	Prothero	109
2 nd	Mabbs	94
3 rd	Kirkman	85
4 th	Johnson	75
5 th	Collins	66
6 th	Wellman	58

Miss Swadkin, Head of House Leader

Year 9

These first few weeks have flown by, and what a start Year 9 students have made! Many new prefects have been selected to represent the year group as well as an Options Committee on hand, so congratulations to them all!

There have also been Geography school trips to Seaford this week. Well done to the Year 9s for their good behaviour! Keep up the good work, and good luck for the rest of this year.

Syduja Jayatharan and Christopher Mills 9LRB

Forthcoming Events

Thursday 13th October ~ PA AGM

Tuesday 18th October ~ **Early finish at 1.30 pm** due to

Open Evening for Prospective Year 7 pupils

Wednesday 19th October ~ **Late start at 9.25 am** with students going straight to Period 2

Monday 24th- Friday 28th October ~ Half Term



Punjabi Club

On Friday 23rd on behalf of Punjabi club, two speakers from the Rotary Club were invited to talk about their experiences when they first set foot in England.

They informed us about how the world has dramatically changed since they arrived, and hurdles they faced during their childhood. Moreover, Mr Khan was especially impressed by the strong community of Punjabi speakers we have at Bexley Grammar School and frequently commented on how lucky we are. In response to this, the Year 12s are encouraged to further build this community, and we have some exciting plans for the future!

On behalf of the students I would like to thank Miss Cox for organising this very special event.

Frisbee Championships

A lot of students know that I play a sport called Ultimate Frisbee and am frequently playing tournaments all over the place. This last weekend I went with my team, Iceni, to play at the European Ultimate Club Finals. This is a tournament where all the top men's and women's clubs from all around Europe come together to decide which is the best club team in Europe.

We headed to Bruges having already won the UK women's tour and also winning the UK National Championships, so our hopes were high of doing well (we wanted to win!). On our way to the final we beat all the other teams in our pool and because we came top of our pool we were able to proceed straight through to the semi-finals on Sunday morning while all our main rivals had to play a quarter final. We won our semi-final against a team from Sweden quite comfortably and advanced to the final where we were to play a German team called Woodchichas, who were our main rivals. They came out firing while we were a little nervous, so they led at half time 8-6. We came out and scored three points in a row after half time and led the game from that point. We finally won 15-12 and became the European Club Champions (gold medals included!).

Miss Pearson

Notices

Macmillan Coffee Morning ~ Our annual Macmillan coffee morning will take place on the 11th October.

This event has raised in excess of £100 every year, and I am hoping this year will be no exception.

Mr Harris, members of the Student Council, 12CHV and me will be hosting this event.

If you would like to contribute cakes, biscuits or make a monetary donation please do so via the school reception desk.

Thank you in anticipation of another successful fund raising event in support of Macmillan Cancer fund.

Mrs Vials and Mr Harris

Discussion Club ~ Like having your voice heard?

Like testing your friends' patience with your arguing abilities?

Then come along to Discussion club, where you can voice your point of view in a relaxed atmosphere on various topics in the media!

KS 4 & 5 Discussion Club ... will meet every Tuesday of week B in SFC2. First club will be Tuesday 11th October!

KS 3 Discussion Club ... will meet every Tuesday of week A in the reception room. First club will be Tuesday 1st November!

Miss Woodcock & Mrs Allen

World Challenge Meeting, Wednesday 12th October 3.15 pm - 4.45 pm (Room H14) – World Challenge are coming into school to talk to Challengers about their training expedition in November. Attendance is compulsory - please come and see Mrs Lehal if you have any questions.

Meal Deal ~ Wednesday 12th October - Buy a fruit pot for 1p.

Water Sports Tour ~ After the success of the Water Sports Tour to Greece this year we have decided to run a tour again, but this time to Spain. This will be in half term week. 1st - 8th June 2012. The tour includes kayaking, snorkelling, sailing, mountain biking, evening activities, all flights and full board in a beach-side hotel. This trip is open to Year 7/8/9. Please see Mrs Haslam in S4 or the PE office for a letter.



PE Results:

Tuesday 27/09 Under 14s Girls' Football Away v Erith B (7 a side league) 4-1 WIN (Madison Wright 2, Molly Pearson 1, Sasha Lee Williams 1,) Player of the Match, Sasha Lee Williams.

Tuesday 27/09 Year 11 Football Away v Ravens Wood (ESFA round 2) 5-3 WIN (Ross Bassan (all 5) Man of Match, Ross Bassan.

Wednesday 28/09 Sixth Form Netball Away v Chislehurst and Sidcup Grammar 28-12 LOSS. Player of the match, Chloe Pittaway.

Thursday 29/09 Year 10 Netball Home v Bexleyheath Academy in the Bexley League 27-9 WIN. Player of the match, Fatima Lee.

Thursday 29/09 Year 9 Netball Home V Bexleyheath Academy in the Bexley league 12-1 WIN. Player of the match, Sophie Smith.

Thursday 29/09 Year 7 Rugby v Trinity, friendly – WIN.