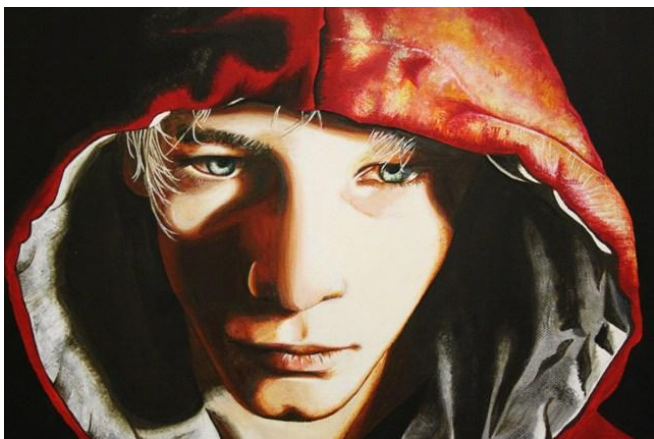




ADT Exhibition



Last Thursday evening the ADT exhibition was opened by Christophe Gowans, BGS parent and Art Director of the Sunday Telegraph Stella magazine. It was a lovely evening, and I would like to thank all those who came to support the event. Students' work is again of a particularly high standard and I would encourage you to visit before the exhibition comes down on Monday 12th July. Many thanks must also go to the Year 12 Food Technology students who created some stunning canapés for our guests.

Miss Peach

Media Trip to the Rich Mix Centre

For our first Media trip the two Media classes made their way to the Rich Mix Centre in Shoreditch, East London to take part in a workshop teaching the basics of music videos.

The day started out with the OCR Chief Examiner talking to us about how to make a successful music video using examples from different schools. Then we met Jake Wynn, a successful editor in the business who has worked with the likes of the Spice Girls and Robbie Williams, who gave



us inside information on the industry and shared stories of his past experiences. After this, for the most exciting and fun-filled part of the day, the set to the Robbie Williams' 'Let Me Entertain You' video was remade and we were told to leave our inhibitions behind as we re-enacted our own version of the video. Different jobs were taken up as some students manned the Dolly cameras while others worked on lighting. Everybody's favourite job was being in front of the camera, painted in 'Kiss' make-up; the best take of the day was undoubtedly Miss Golding jumping around the stage as Robbie himself. To finish off a brilliant day we were then able to watch the takes back and were shown how to edit them successfully. I think I can speak for both classes when I say this was the best trip and we all had an amazing time and you will be able to see our own music videos later in the year!

Emma Supple – Year 12 Media Studies

Race for Life 2010- Did you do something amazing?



Congratulations to everyone who completed the Race for Life on Blackheath last Sunday in exceptionally hot weather. A special "well done" goes to Nadine, Beth, Alice, Amina, Natasha, Laura and Rianne, this year's IB team.

Mrs Leffen

XLP Arts Showcase Final

2 acts - 3 pupils - represented BGS at the XLP Arts Showcase 2010 London Final. XLP is an urban youth charity which works with over 40 secondary schools in East London, including BGS. Benjamin Henaghan (7SRA) and Romilly Bobby (7SRA) performed as the Diabolo Dudes, and Lucy Dickson (9JNA) sung solo, performing 'I can hear the bells'. They performed in front of an audience of over 600 people at the Mermaid Theatre in London.

Ben, Romilly and Lucy were all chosen from Bexley Grammar to compete at the regional competition in December 2009. They were successful and went on to their moment of fame in front of a packed auditorium. Needless to say all three were absolutely fantastic. Lucy sang superbly despite technical hitches, and the Diabolo Dudes wowed the crowd with their amazing tricks. Only one other school was represented by more than one act – congratulations to all three who performed fantastically – an inspiration to the whole school!

To find out more about XLP and to view the acts online go to www.xlp.org.uk and follow the links. Their performances will be uploaded in the next couple of days.

Year 10 - Work Experience in the Autumn of Year 11

Well done to all Year 10 students who have handed in details of their work experience placements for 18th – 22nd October. Any students without a confirmed placement should speak to Mrs Longman as soon as possible, as details of all placements should be with the school by Friday 16th July. If students are still waiting for the 'own find' form to be returned by their employer, please could they let Mrs Longman know, and e-mail her as soon as they have the completed form.

UCAS Evening

Thank you to the many parents who were able to attend last week's information evening. If you have any further questions or queries please do not hesitate to contact one of the Sixth Form team.

Mr Gilmore

Your Future in Europe Conference February 2011

We have the opportunity to take a number of current Year 12 students to a debate in Paris next year. If you would like more information about this please check the Sixth Form notice board.

If we have enough interest there will be an information evening to discuss the arrangements (TBC).

Mr Gilmore

Year 7

Congratulations go to Robert Harper and Lauren Grandini-Fenn for achieving 50 merits. Harmeet Soor and Abbey Garba, 7MGL, Bailey Stickings, Rebecca Imrie, Krishna Jeyakumar, Daniel Gibbs, Michael Fisher, Alex Baker and Fiona Pereira, 7HLE, have reached a fantastic total of 100 merits with Isobel Richardson, 7HLE, achieving a massive 150 merits. Congratulations also go to George Tennant and Connor Sanders, 7APB, for reaching 50 merits as well a fantastic effort from Christian Nyamali and Tom Barton for achieving a successful 100 merits. Well done to all!

Mrs Kemp

Rounders

We would like to congratulate the Year 7, 8 and 9 rounders teams for an impressive win against Blackfen on Wednesday 7th July. A resounding success with all teams; Year 7 winning 19 - 11, Year 8 winning 18 - 8 and Year 9 with a fantastic score of 24.5 - 10.5. Well done girls!

Mrs Kemp and Miss Leffen

Jack Petchey Award

On Tuesday 6th July, I had the pleasure of accompanying our Jack Petchey Foundation Achievement Award winners to their presentation evening at the Orchard Theatre, Dartford. The evening celebrated winners across Bexley and included performances from local schools and clubs. This event highlighted the huge contribution to our community that young people make and it was great to see our students honoured publicly for their work and effort. Our winners were presented with their medallions by the Mayor of Bexley, Cllr Val Clark, and have already been given a £200 prize to spend for the benefit of a group of students at school.



Our winners this year have been: Peter Smith (Year 7), Courtney Stone (Year 3), Chris Piper (Year 10), Ennocent Chidawanyika (Year 10), Zainab Conteh (Year 12), Charlotte Williams (Year 8), Drew Bristow (Year 9), Naomi Wass (Year 11) and Laura Yardley (Year 12).

Mr Lines

Homework Club

Homework club will not be running in the LAST WEEK OF TERM.

Forthcoming Events

- Monday 19th July ~ Speech Day – Early closure
- Monday 19th July ~ Year 8 & Year 12 Reports issued
- Thursday 22nd July ~ Year 7 Reports issued
- Thursday 22nd July ~ Last Day of Term – Early closure