



BEECHWOOD

Sacred Heart School

An Independent School for Boys and Girls (3-18)

Beechwood Newsletter

Friday 1 December 2017

Bugsy Malone

Last night was the opening night of Bugsy Malone in the Drama Studio. We were welcomed to Fat Sam's nightclub by Fat Sam himself and the wonderful live band and singers. Immediately we were transported into the world of Prohibition New York, with its glamour, menacing threats and of course humour. The cast from Year 6 through to Year 10 dazzled us with singing, dancing and humour. For those of you attending tonight and tomorrow you are in for a treat. Just a word of warning, maybe don't sit on the front row if you are worried about getting splurged!



Maths Trip

On 23 November, Year 10 top maths set took the train to London for a once in a lifetime opportunity to listen to different mathematicians give talks on binary, puzzles and games, space and more. The event was held in the beautiful Emmanuel Centre near Westminster. There were talks from Emily Grossman, the statistician and broadcaster, the lateral thinker, Paul Sloane, maths communicator, Colin Wright and the space engineer, Abigail Huddy, who talked about the design of the Rover designated to travel to Mars. There was also the Youtube sensation Dr James Grime who spoke about how wifi and other invisible waves are transmitted. The students enjoyed and learnt from the experience.

PARENTMAIL

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- Geography Field Trip
- Prep School
- Curriculum Summary
- Year 2
- Head Lice
- Prep School
- Art Club
- Reception
- Nasal Flu Vaccinations
- Year 11 & Sixth Form
- New York Trip 2019
- Year 7 & 8
- Shoe Box Appeal
- Year 13
- Mock Examinations
- Reception, Year 1 & 2
- No swimming

News

MUNGA

Last week, students from Year 12 & 13 embarked on a day of challenge, politics and debate at the Town Hall for MUNGA. Our school represented the UK and Germany, making for an interesting debate on many current political issues including UN reform, North Korea, rights and protection of citizens and much more. One of our delegates even managed to start a vote of no confidence in the chair for one of the debates as her eagle eye spotted an attempt at bribery and took herself out of her comfort zone to ensure equality and accountability in the system. The students learnt about a range of international issues improving skills such as debating and diplomacy.



Captain's Log, Stardate 30.11.17

The lunchtime lecture series continues to delight and inform in equal measure. This week saw Mrs Newton, resplendent in a Starfleet uniform, deliver a thought provoking talk on the ethics of Star Trek. Charting the Science Fiction phenomena from its creation by the humanist, Gene Roddenbury to the inevitable conclusion that it has now become fully engrained in our popular culture, Mrs Newton was able to identify that the program's complex moral dilemmas present a view of the future that hold important truths for us in the present. With reference to the theories of the world's greatest philosophers, Mrs Newton was able to draw comparison with the dilemmas faced by the various Captains of the Starship Enterprise to our own struggles with good and evil. A lecture that boldly went where no one had gone before!

FRIENDS OF BEECHWOOD

Ice Skating

Thursday 14 December 2017

There are only a few tickets left for the Ice Skating. Tickets and Basil vouchers will all be distributed at the rink in the area where boots are collected on the day from 2.30pm. The session ends at 4pm for you to collect your children. The raffle draw takes place on Tuesday 12 December

Friends of Beechwood AGM is on Thursday 7 December at 8.30am in the Parlour

In Concert at Beechwood!

We are honoured to welcome Billy Bensing, an American musician to perform in concert on Tuesday 5 December at 1pm in the Chapel. Billy lives in Grass Valley, California and continues to perform in various venues around the state. He plays his own compositions, mostly on guitar, and was formerly a Grammy award winner. If you would like to attend this concert, please contact bsh@beechwood.org.uk.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Grammy Award Winning Musician in Concert

5 December

Year 2 & 3 Violin Concert

6 December

Nursery Nativity

6 December

Reception & KS1 Nativity

KS2 Carol Service

7 December

Eighth Weekend

10 December

Sports News and Results

Mixed Hockey

Our mixed team, with pupils from Years 7-9 started strongly against SKA on Wednesday. Despite having not played as a team before Year 9 led the way using their confidence and experience to encourage our younger pupils. We dominated the first half, with some skilful passing and movement of the ball up the pitch. Before long we were 2-0 up off Bertie's shots. Meanwhile Zoe, in goal, Bertie and Edie maintained a commanding presence in defence, denying our opponents possession in the D. The second half enabled Lily and Edie to gain valuable experience playing in the midfield and both had some close shots before Edie slotted one in the corner of the goal. Bertie scored his third to give us a 4-0 lead. The fading light was starting to play a significant factor, which our opponents capitalised on with two late goals. We held on to take a thoroughly well-deserved 4-2 victory. Well done to all the team.

Netball

Our U8/9s played against Skippers Hill on Thursday afternoon. It was bitterly cold and the girls had to battle against the weather but didn't complain. They played five mini games as Skippers put out five different team combinations. This gave our girls a chance to try out new positions as well as play their usual ones. It was an evenly matched afternoon although we were better at intercepting and maintaining possession of the ball. We were the only team to score a goal and therefore won overall.

Visiting Author

Years 4-8 were lucky enough to meet visiting author Robin Stevens. She talked to them about where she finds her ideas and how she uses places and people she knows as the basis for her settings and characters. Together they produced the ideas for a new murder mystery and maybe one day we will see their ideas in print.



Please Note

There is no swimming on Monday 4 December for Reception, Year 1 & 2 due to the flu vaccinations.

WEEK COMMENCING

SUN 3	
MON 4	1.30 Reception-Year 4 Flu Vaccinations
TUES 5	11.00 Year 4 & 5 Advent Diocesan Service, Southwark 1.00 Grammy Award Winning Musician Concert
WED 6	8.40 Year 2 & 3 Violin Performance in the Auditorium 9.30 Nursery Nativity in Prep Hall 1.30 Lunchtime Recital in the Chapel 2.30 U10 & U11 Netball v Skippers Hill (H)
THUR 7	8.30 PA AGM in the Parlour 10.00 Reception & KS1 Nativity in Prep Hall 2.30 KS2 Carol Service in the Chapel
FRI 8	
SAT 9	