



BEECHWOOD

Sacred Heart School

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

Beechwood Newsletter

Friday 10 November 2017

Extended Project Qualification

On Friday 3 November, the six Year 13 EPQ students presented their projects to the students in Years 11-13, their parents and the school Governors. The students have been working on their projects since January and they are near completion. They have written their own aims and titles based on their interests and strengths. Each of the students has developed skills they were not anticipating at the outset, overcome challenges, critically analysed a number of sources and reflected on their progress and decision making throughout. The presentation is the third part of their EPQ qualification, which will be submitted at the end of term. It is worth 50% of an A level and can be very beneficial when applying for university. The students enjoyed sharing their findings and discussing the processes of the qualification, supported by their interested audience.



Bugsy Malone tickets are all sold out. Sorry to disappoint anyone who wanted a ticket.

Budding Artists!

Year 2 have been learning about the artist William Morris and studying some of his designs. They collected leaves on a walk around the school grounds and these were made into templates.



The children then designed their own William Morris wallpaper, remembering to use a pattern. Fantastic work Year 2!



PARENTMAIL

Year 6
 Yoga Cancelled
 Whole School
 Bugsy Malone Ticket Request
 Year 12
 Media Trip
 Nursery
 Nativity & Christmas Party
 Year 6
 Bugsy Malone Revised Rehearsal Schedule
 Senior School
 Make-up for Bugsy Malone

News

City University Workshop

Last Friday, we hosted an A Level Music Workshop run by City University, London. We invited Skinners School and Tunbridge Wells Grammar School for Girls to join our Music students, making up a class of 20 Sixth Formers. Two lecturers came down from the University to deliver the seminars. In the morning session we studied film music and paid particular attention to the work of Bernard Herrmann's 'Psycho' score; we looked at his original hand written manuscript. After lunch we had a composition masterclass - several of the students performed their composition sketches and the City University professors gave useful feedback on which direction to take, in order to further develop their work. The day was incredibly inspiring and we will be keeping up this new link with the institute. We have already been invited up to City University for the day to spend some time in their recording studio and attend a performance workshop in their recital room.

Jolly Phonics

Reception have been working very hard with their Jolly Phonics sounds. The first three children to know all 42 sounds and actions, for three days in a row, received their badges this week. The others are very close to achieving badges too.



Senior School Non-Uniform Day Friday 17 November for our charity Charlottes Bag. Donations of £2 would be appreciated.

FRIENDS OF BEECHWOOD

Fireworks

Thank you to all who attended last weeks' successful firework event. We feel it certainly went off with a bang!

Ice Skating

Thursday 14 December 2017

A reminder that ice skating tickets are now available to purchase. The event is limited to 120 tickets so please purchase them soon as they are selling fast.

Please be advised that the PA AGM on 14 November has been postponed, new date to follow

Ecuador and Galapagos Trip

Last weekend was the training for the trip in Meopham. The weather was awful, really wet on Saturday and cold on Sunday. The students ventured out on a long walk and had disaster training. They all showed character and perseverance.



FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Year 8 Parents' Consultation Evening

Thursday 16 November

Year 9 Parents' Consultation Evening

Tuesday 28 November

Sacred Heart Lecture

30 November

Sports News and Results

Netball

Our U11's played a very encouraging first game of the season against Fosse Bank on Wednesday. The game started positively, with both teams sharing the attacking play. Our opponents edged ahead but Mireya soon converted the equaliser and then went on to give us the lead at the end of the first quarter. Despite some excellent passing Fosse Bank had gained a 4-2 lead going into half time. Jemima scored her first goal to take the score to 4-3 but sadly we couldn't quite bridge the gap in the final quarter giving Fosse Bank a victory of 6-4. Well done to the team, especially our captain, Charlotte who was voted player of the match by our opponents.

Our U10's also played Fosse Bank with everything going their way, passes were strong and accurate, some superb shooting and wonderful interceptions. It was a remarkable game with the girls playing out of their usual positions. The final score was an impressive 12-0 to Beechwood, with Amélie being our top scorer, 5 goals. Excellent effort and achievement girls.

On Wednesday a mixed U18/U16 squad played against Sackville's mixed squad. Our defence was particularly good in the first quarter and the opposition were denied any shooting chances. Jess moved really well as GS and executed her shooting opportunities. This led to a 6-0 lead. We changed the team round as we moved through the quarters and still managed to execute our shots with strong GA performances from Hope, Siobhan and Libby. In the other D our defences worked well with Valia, Birgit and Elysia taking it in turns to play GD and GK. A strong performance from the girls earning them a 23-4 victory.

Hockey

On Thursday a mixed U14 team travelled to Radnor House for their first indoor hockey match of the season. They were playing against a bigger team of mixed U14/15 players. We took an early advantage

with Bertie managing to beat the keeper. Matt quickly scored our second goal a few minutes later. Radnor fought back with a goal of their own. We had plenty more chances but the Radnor keeper made some great saves meaning we finished the first half with a narrow lead. Zoe stepped up as goalie and made some cracking saves and was rightly awarded MVP by the opposition. Another two goals were scored and Bertie managed his hat-trick. Radnor were able to sneak in two late goals but it was too late, the victory was ours at 5-3.

Goethe Institut

Yesterday three Year 13 students studying German went to the Goethe Institut in London to have a look at the wealth of resources and learning and cultural facilities it had to offer. They spent time doing research for their individual independent research projects which contributes to part of the A level German exam. They will have to analyse and summarise their findings before having an extended discussion on their chosen topics during a speaking exam at the end of April.

WEEK COMMENCING

SUN 12	Bugsy Malone All Day Rehearsal
MON 13	9.00 Year 12 & 13 Geography Field Trip to River Darent 4.10 Whole Play Rehearsal
TUES 14	4.10 Whole Play Rehearsal
WED 15	2.30 U13 Football v Battle Abbey (H) 3.00 U13 7 x 7 Hockey v Battle Abbey & Marlborough House (A)
THUR 16	9.00 Year 12 Media Studies trip to London 2.30 U9 Football v Fosse Bank (H) 3.00 U9/U8 Netball v Radnor House (A) 6.30 Year 8 Parents' Consultation Evening
FRI 17	Senior School Non-Uniform Day 9.00 Prep Maths Day 4.00 Bugsy Malone Technical Rehearsal
SAT 18	10-4.00 Bugsy Malone Rehearsal