

Beechwood Newsletter

Friday 2 February 2018

Year 10 Retreat

On Tuesday the whole of Year 10 visited Aylesford Priory, home of our local Carmelites. They took part in a brilliant day of activities and reflection with this year's Sacred Heart theme of Active Faith at the centre. They learnt about the plight of refugees who are travelling thousands of miles just to find basic necessities that we take for granted, such as food, water, shelter and peace. Each pupil walked a mile around the priory to help raise awareness for CAFOD. As they walked they asked each other

questions like: who are two people vou would call in a crisis and if you have to flee, what is the one item you would take with you. Questions that refugees face when they have to leave their homes. The



pupils all learnt what active faith means, as well as where they are on their own personal faith journey.

Flapjacks!

Reception had fun making flapjacks with Mrs Hobbs in the Food Technology room.



Recycling!

In Geography Year 4 have been researching how long some materials take decompose in a landfill site, if they have not been recycled. They created a bar chart on the iPad showing their predications, then another for the actual amount of time. They were shocked at just how long it takes!



Sewing Club

Some of the members of Sewing Club have finished their projects.



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Floating and Sinking!



Pre-Prep are learning about the concept of 'floating and sinking' and have been trying to find different objects which will either float or sink in the water tray.

Shadows!

Year 1 have been finding out how shadows are made. After experimenting with torches and objects in the classroom, the sun obligingly came out and they were able to make their own shadows.



SMALL ADS



FRIENDS OF BEECHWOOD

Many thanks to everyone who offered to help with the Beechwood Bop

Auschwitz!

In November two of our Year 13 Students. Georgina Bell-Mann and Zoe Norman, went on a unique trip to visit the Polish town of Oswiecim formally known as Auschwitz. There they were able to visit Auschwitz and Auschwitz Birkenau, which both witnessed mass genocide and horrific treatment of prisoners during the Second World War. Although over sixty years ago the legacy caused by the Holocaust still covers the town of Oswiecim, as those who attended the superb lunchtime lecture last week, given by Georgina and Zoe, were able to tell that only a short stay in the town had left the girls with a greater understanding and compassion for those who had to endure the barbaric treatment. Both Georgina and Zoe not only gave a thought provoking lecture but also encouraged people to have an experience like theirs and visit the death camps if ever one gets the opportunity.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

8 February

Lunchtime Recital in the Chapel

9 February

Classes End for Half Term

19 February

Classes start after Half Term Year 6 Bikeability Cycling Course starts

20 February

Second Hand Uniform Shop Open

22 February

Year 9 Options Evening

Sports News and Results

Netball

On Monday our U15s played a team from Benenden. We started well but were unable to convert our chances only scoring one goal in the first quarter. Benenden came into their own in the second quarter and their shooters put them ahead. Our girls were gutsy in their defence and we certainly had plenty of opportunities but our poor shot percentage prevented us from snatching a win. The team tried throughout the game and well done to Amelia Disbray for being voted MVP.

The U14 team also played Benenden and played two teams over four quarters. Even with some fantastic shooting from Macey and Hanah we lost the first game 6-9. After a team talk we started the second match with renewed vigour with Macey and Hanah securing their shots on goal giving us a 9-7 victory. Well done to all especially Blanca for her debut appearance getting voted MPV in the first game and Hanah in the second.

On Wednesday the whole of Year 7 & 8 played fixtures against Battle Abbey. The U13 A team had a tense game with both teams working the ball closer to the circle. Our opponents broke through first, but Millie soon equalised with a super goal from the edge of the circle. The second and third quarters continued in the same view, but Battle Abbey managed to edge ahead. In the final quarter we kept our nerve and Grace scored to bring the score to 4-4. In the final minutes the score could have gone either way but Grace scored again giving us a 5-4 victory.

The U13 B team started well and dominated the first quarter but drew the second. We knew we had to improve our passing if we wanted to win the game. Our strong attack and our shooting improved greatly in the second half resulting in a pleasing 12-2 victory. The team worked hard despite it being

their first game for some, well done girls.

The U8/9 girls had an amazing afternoon of netball against Skippers Hill on Thursday. The girls have become an effective team starting to recognise each other's strengths and weaknesses supporting each other. Some of the girls had the opportunity to shoot which they thoroughly enjoyed giving the team a 6-2 win.

Rugby

On Wednesday evening our U18 boys travelled to Farringtons fro a 7s match. We started slowly and conceded several tries but were able to get a try back through a quick run by George. We started the final quarter in the lead with tries from Podge, Sam, Charlie and Jack but a late try by Farringtons left the final score at 38-41. The new rugby shirts sponsored by 'Overbury'.



WEEK COMMENCING	
SUN 4	
MON 5	9.00 Year 9 Vaccinations
TUES 6	9.00 7+ Scholarship Day 9.00 Reception visit to Lydd Aero Club 4.15 U16/U18 Netball v Kent College (A)
WED 7	9.00 Year 13 Biology Field Trip 2.30 U11/U12 Netball v Skippers Hill (A) 2.30 U11 Tag Rugby v Skippers Hill (h)
THUR 8	Years 3-6 RE Day 8.00 Year 12 & 13 Ethics Conference 1.20 Lunchtime Recital in the Chapel 2.45 U14 Netball v Radnor House (A)
FRI 9	Year 13 Biology Field Trip returns 2.00 Senior School Inter-House Competition 4.00 Classes end for half term
SAT 10	