SMSC "Matters" Autumn 2015

SMSC General



Head Boy and Head Girl

With the start of a new academic year, I want to take the opportunity to introduce you to our Head Boy and Head Girl and their deputies. The Head Boy for the academic year 2015/16 is Lewis Smith 11H and the Head Girl is Aniza Siddaqua 11G. They are ably supported by their deputies Sarah Singleton 11E and Ore Olayinka 11E. Lewis and Aniza have only been in their role for a week and they have already appeared on ITN news and spoken in front of several hundred people at our Open Evening. All four of these students are a real credit to the school and I wish them luck in their new roles during the forthcoming year.

Mr Smith Headteacher

Georgina on Strictly!

Georgina Brown 10C has played drum for the Hornchurch Drum and Trumpet Corps for nearly a year. On Friday 28th August she travelled to North Weald to film some scenes for the launch show of Strictly Come Dancing which was broadcasted on Saturday 5th September. What a wonderful experience to be a part of!



Miss Savva Head of Year 10

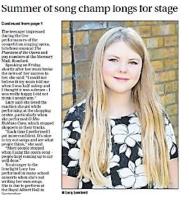
Lucy Lombard 11D

Many of you will have seen in the local press that Lucy won a prestigious talent competition during the Summer term. Lucy has sung at a number of different school events and we are extremely proud of her achievements.

Well done Lucy!

Mr Smith Headteacher





Platinum Students





Last year 14 students across KS3 and KS4 achieved "Platinum" ranking in our reporting cycle. This means that their mindset, behaviour and homework were judged to be excellent by the vast majority of their teachers.

Mr Smith presented the students with platinum stars which can be worn on the collar and that give them privileges on the school site. Well done!

Mr Smith Headteacher

Year 7 - The Island

On their first day at JRCS, the new Year 7 students participated in a day focused on developing essential learning skills that will help them become better learners.

Two students from 7D have written about their experiences:

What I thought about The Island session!

I personally really enjoyed The Island session. It made me think beyond what was expected and working in a group, that we all got along in, made it so much more fun. It was almost a big debate about who should be allowed in the boat to be saved and who shouldn't. By working in a group I was able to expand on my reasons and opinions to do with the island. When making the rules for what should happen while the five surviving victims were on the island, me and a few other members of the group were able combine all our smart ideas and make some really fantastic questions. Also, the teacher who we were taught by really made the session easier by the explaining and a lot more fun by letting us really discuss about our task. I hope to do something like that session again as it was really great.

Mia Hurley 7D

The Island

My favourite part about The Island challenge was the English session because it was very psychological. I was confident with my choice but upon questioning my peers I had decided to rearrange my list. This exercise shows the power of our peers and their persuasion, this also shows the power of English. I like challenging myself to test my boundaries and to push myself, this is why I liked the session.

Rebecca Portbury 7D

Mr Pointon
Director of Learning – Maths & Numeracy

Alice Campbell 11B



An update on Alice! Alice Campbell, who is now in Year 11, will again be representing the Great Britain under 17 and under 20 fencing team in international competitions. Alice is now first in the under 17 Great Britain rankings after gaining a gold last weekend at the Great Britain under 17 selection event in Bristol.

We are incredibly proud of her achievements and wish her the best of luck in her forthcoming competitions.

Mr Smith Headteacher

Rosie Dunn 12C

Following on from Alice Campbell's success in international fencing last week, I am delighted to announce that Rosie Dunn, who is in Year 12, has been selected to represent England in the World Karate Championships in Slovenia. We all wish her the best of luck and look forward to hearing how she gets on.

Mr Smith Headteacher



A great atmosphere at the second JRCS Clubs Fair

For the second year running we held the JRCS Clubs Fair in Boothroyd Hall on Tuesday 22nd Thursday 24th September lunchtimes. There was a real buzz around Boothroyd Hall with lots of great conversations taking place about engaging in some brilliant extra-curricular activities. It was particularly good to welcome some students from Year 7 who are bidding to form a Film Club with Miss Butler, and also two new clubs from ICT, Girls Can Code, and JRCS Newsround, full details of these new ICT clubs can be found in this edition of The Seagull. A huge thank you to all those who took part, especially to all the staff and students who gave up their lunchtimes to run stalls, and to the many students who visited the fair over the two days.

Ms Montague
OSHL Co-ordinator









Anti-bullying Week

From Monday 16th – Friday 20th November JRCS joined hundreds of schools across the country in actively supporting Antibullying Week. We are totally committed to zero tolerance of bullying at JRCS.

Once again our anti-bullying wristbands were sold in Main Street all week for £1. They are a visible symbol that we can all wear to show our rejection of all forms of bullying and intimidation. There are five colours to choose from and students can wear as many bands as they wish during Anti-bullying week only.



See Something. Say Something, our anti-bullying slogan, is for all students to feel that they are able to talk to someone if they see or hear anyone being the victim of bullying. Not to stand by and do nothing, either by standing and watching or just walking away. Next time, don't just walk by, turn away or ignore it; make sure you tell someone.

United we can make a difference!

Mrs Richardson Senior Lead Mentor

Pride

During November I had one of those weeks at JRCS where I was incredibly proud of many students' achievements and resilience. It goes without saying that we are enormously proud of all the young people at JRCS who push themselves to be the best that they can. It is our job to make sure that they have the opportunities to enable them to achieve their full potential.

Congratulations to them all!

Georgina Hart 10A won the 2015 Jack Petchey Outstanding Achievement Award – Panathlon's top individual honour. Georgina collected her award from Paralympic swim champion Liz Johnson in a ceremony at the Olympic Suite in John Lewis Stratford City, having been selected from a shortlist of the year's most outstanding Panathletes.

Also, Family winners Alexander Grain 7C and Logan Grain 8G were awarded the Gold Seagull in the same week.

Mr Smith Headteacher





Platinum and Gold Students



We currently have 24 students in Years 7-11 (22 pictured above) who achieved a platinum or gold rank in the recent report cycle. On Friday 20th November 2015 we held a reward breakfast for these students where we enjoyed croissants, hot chocolate and orange juice. During that time we also presented our five platinum students (Lauren Tooze 10C, Shannon Still 10C, Sabrina Asrafova 10B, Niranjana Unni 11F and Abigail Hall 11F) with their lapel badges and their £50 cheques. Huge congratulations to all 24 students. Keep up the good work.

Mr Smith Assistant Headteacher

New Maths Block



On Friday 20th November, we held the grand opening of our new £3 million Maths Block. Councillor Evelyn Carpenter (Cabinet Member for Education and Schools LBBD) was our special guest for the afternoon and she unveiled the plaque



to mark this important event. Also present was Helen Jenner (Director of Children's Services) as well as representatives from Barnes Construction, Bouygues, The London Borough of Barking and Dagenham and the JRCS community. I want to thank everybody involved in the planning, construction and fitting out of the new building. It provides our young people with a fantastic learning

environment which I know will inspire them to further improve their maths and numeracy skills.

Mr Smith Headteacher

Debate Club presents the Staff Debate

On Monday 23rd November, the JRCS Debate Club presented the first ever staff debate with the following motion: *This house believes the death penalty should be legalised*. Ms Pearson and Mr Smith opposed the motion and Mr McInerney and Ms Lynch argued for it. The highlight was when comments and questions were asked from the floor and JRCS students made lots of very persuasive and thought-provoking statements. In the end the Opposition won – well done Ms Pearson and Mr Smith.



JRCS Debate Club meets every Monday after school on the History corridor. We are planning on entering some student teams into London-wide debates. Please come and join us for a good argument!

Ms Moody Maths Department

SMSC D of E

Duke of Edinburgh Award news! Expedition success

Many congratulations to all those who completed their silver and gold expeditions at the end of the Summer term and during the Summer break.

Eleven Year 11 students completed their practice expedition on the South Downs and then travelled to the Isle of Wight during the last week of term to trek across the whole of the southern half of the island. After some very heavy going through muddy fields during the second day, the groups finished in glorious sunshine, and enjoyed fantastic views at the end of the walk from the top of Tennyson Down. A brilliant effort by everyone involved. The students were: Elizabeth Olabode. Paula Stuomaite, Sabrina Shaikh, Gabriele Sartauskaite, Emily Vincent, Billy Cresswell, Billy Simson, Christian Webb, Demi Whitnell, Salvi Islam and Anjolaade Ogunwolu. Commiserations to Vanessa Moreira who completed the practice expedition brilliantly but fell ill and was unable to complete the Isle of Wight expedition. Hopefully she will be able to join another silver expedition before the end of the season.

Many thanks also go to Mr Kilminster, Stephanie McCluskey and Mr Hargreaves without whom this trip would not have been possible. Mr Hargreaves also did a fantastic job assessing the groups.

The gold group completed their canoeing expedition on the River Wye below Hay. They were very well organised and had organised their packing really efficiently. They set out from Hay under cloudy skies and made the day one camp at Bycross Farm in good time. On their arrival, they then had to haul all their kit up a steep bank in order to pitch their tent. The next morning they negotiated Monnington Falls with skill and continued through Hereford. On day three they camped in the picturesque town of Ross-on-Wye before the final day which unfortunately dawned very wet indeed! Nonetheless, the girls paddled















on through some very heavy showers, finishing in much quicker than expected time at Symonds Yat.

Very well done to the intrepid team of paddlers, Katherine Pirie, Stephanie Taylor, Yinka Egbedeyi and Martyna Kortarska. Thanks also go to Bill Lockton, our D of E volunteer, for his support throughout the week.

Ms Montague D of E Manager

Success for all on Bronze D of E training weekend

On Friday and Saturday 16th and 17th October, eleven students and five staff took part in a training weekend for the Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award based at Danbury Outdoor Centre near Chelmsford. The group did well pitching their tents in the gathering gloom and then cooked their own dinner, trying out various menus that they could rely on for their practice and qualifying expeditions, including sausage, beans and mash, curry and rice, spaghetti bolognaise and pasta with a stir in sauce.

Following dinner and a briefing about their walk, the students roamed the campsite searching for wood for a camp fire and, with the help of some paper rubbish, soon had a fine blaze. The group then tried to get to bed but not much sleeping was done!





On day two the students walked a total of eight kilometres learning to navigate using an ordinance survey map. I was particularly proud of Abigail Jacobs who managed to push herself along a large part of the route on rough ground using an adapted off road wheelchair. I was also very impressed by the way in which the group supported each other throughout the weekend. The students involved were: Georgina Hart, Lucy Payne, Matthew Norris and Daniel Odejide, all 10A, Abigail Jacobs 10B, Sabrina Asrafova and Reggie Ryan 10C, Jyotika Ahtty, Paris Tankard and Nathan Batt, all 10D and Alfie Lee 10F. Finally, I would like to thank the fantastic staff from the D of E staff group who supported the weekend: Mr Murdock, Mr Hill, Mr Kilminster and Bill Lockton.

Ms Montague D of E Manager



On the 9th and 10th October 2015 the Bronze D of E group did their introduction Bronze trip in the Danbury area to prepare them for the practice expedition in May 2016. All the staff were pleased with the progress that was made on Friday night, on preparing camp and cooking their evening meal. The students completed a night exercise to prepare them for the next day's navigation and seven mile walk. It was great to see some good teamwork going on. We then prepared for the next day; the students had a play around their tents and a chat before bedding down for a good night's sleep.

Through the night it was really warm; the students then understood the importance of putting up their tent correctly! The next day we were up with the lark to prepare for the next leg of the expedition although the students were a little slow in breaking camp. The first group set off and then 10 minutes later off went the second group then 3rd, and 4th. Throughout the day the students made slow but good progress (they did learn from their mistakes!). Overall, it was a great start which was good preparation for their next trip. So well done to you all. Thank you to Ms Moody, Ms Smith, Mr Cocksworth, and Mr Stefano for your support this weekend.





The following students took part:

Emilija Vanagaite, Jennifer Taborda Da Silva, Shanice Makili, Joshua Stuart-Evans, Jake Sanchez, Teri Keenan, Jodie Chesney, Demi Ogunti, Angela Omorer, Axel Adams, Alfie Patching, Yasmine Raji, Billy Tyler, Karolina Derlukiewicz, Hanan Abdulhamid, Lucy Whyte, Faith Barovbe, Faye Barker, Jamie Adekeye and Emma Davison.

Mr Hargreaves and Mr Dignam D of E Team Leaders

SMSC PDE/CITIZENSHIP

Year 10 GCSE Citizenship

The GCSE specification Rights and responsibilities qualification content one explores areas surrounding checks and balances needed in relation to freedom of speech in the context of threats from extremism and terrorism. Students spent two hours focusing on challenging extremism and radicalisation. The first learning hour was spent on discussions, video clips and building students' knowledge and understanding. In the second learning hour students applied their knowledge and were given a learning option choice which ranged from letters, scripts to posters.







Ms Hector Head of PDE

SMSC Science

The Smarties Science Club

Greetings fellow Scientists!
We entered the fourth year of the international co-operation project with the *Volcano* Science Club from Gimnazjum no 4 in Stargard Szczecinski, Poland.

The theme for this year is "Chemistry - Science and fun". We are going to do loads of fun experiments and learn in detail why things occur. Visit our blog http://smartiesjrcs.blogspot.co.uk/ to follow our weekly adventures.



As we said goodbye to the Year 9 students who are now in Year 10 and have to focus on their GCSE studies, we recruited some new members.

Miss Ochwat Science Department

Tomorrow's Engineers: New Energy Challenge



50 of our Year 9 students took part in an exciting workshop which has been designed to encourage the next generation of Scientists and Engineers. The students were able to develop their skills, knowledge and understanding in Science, especially in Physics. The students worked with an engineer, Mr Nigel Moore, and looked at the following areas:

- Our World, Your Future the effects of a growing world population;
- Potential Energy the global energy mix including renewable and non-renewable energy;
- Kinetic Energy building and testing a solar car;
- Engineering Careers looking at what engineers do and the routes into engineering careers.

Furthermore, JRCS is now a member of the Young Engineers Network and our students will be able to participate in more events like this one in the future.

Miss Ochwat Science Department

Science Ambassadors

I would like to introduce you to a group of ambitious and hardworking Year 9 students:

Ellie-Mae Marshall, Emma Smith, Antonia Ivanova, Lauren Simson, Evita Ahmed Hashmi, Tia Debenham, Deanna Allman and Olivia Dawkins.

The girls are going to be JRCS Science Ambassadors. They are going to organise different activities which aim at promoting Science in our school. Watch

this space as there is a lot more to come!



Miss Ochwat Science Department

JRCS Science Ambassadors

Hello JRCS Scientists, We would like to invite you to visit and follow our blog http://scienceambassadorsircs.blogspot.co.uk/

This is the place where we are going to keep you posted about interesting Science websites and events, recommend educational YouTube channels, give you instructions for easy to do at home experiments and many more. There will be a new post every Tuesday and Thursday. Happy reading!





Miss Ochwat and Science Ambassadors

SMSC SDD

ARP News

This term we have had very successful trips to the Museum of London (Years 8 and 9), Transport Museum (Year 7) and our Year 10s will be going on a Christmas walk this week. Our parent support group have been out on their first social together; which was a great success.

Please note our next meeting will be on Thursday 7th January 2016 at 3.30pm.

May we take this opportunity to wish you all a very happy and peaceful Christmas.



The ARP Team

SMSC Business

Flying High

The Jo Richardson Community School is committed to ensuring students understand the opportunities that are available to them in the world of work. We want students to leave us fully prepared and ready to make a positive contribution. Below are some of the things we have done over the last two weeks to support this mission:

Elation Hair and Beauty came in to talk to the students about professional training courses. For more details please contact the salon directly. It is based in Dagenham Park School.

Ms Montague organised an out of school hours learning fair. During this time students could sign up to clubs that will help to develop their interpersonal skills and their CVs.

Ms Boller is also currently in the middle of election fever. Students are standing for positions with the student leadership team.

The Anglia Ruskin Roadshow Bus also pulled into school on Wednesday. Students had an opportunity to speak to people from the university and find out about course requirements.

Finally, any student can request an Independent Careers Advice and Guidance interview. All they have to do is speak to Mrs Mitchell in the Main School Office.

The key message to students is: The time is now to get involved. Don't let opportunities pass you by. The things you get involved in will help you stand out from the crowd.

We will keep you updated about the things we do over the coming weeks.









Miss McCormack Enterprise Co-ordinator

Vocational Education in Business

In BTEC lessons, students often learn through practical activities. During October, the Year 10 BTEC Business Studies students have taken part in job interviews run by the Year 13 BTEC Business students. Both groups were being assessed as part of their courses. The Year 10 were assessed based on their conduct during the job interview and the Year 13s were being assessed on their ability to work as a team. Of course, as always, the Year 13 BTEC Business students were amazing: Lauren Brent, Job Ford, Hannah Musgrove, Ashleigh Brown, Charlie Rogers and Aslihan Duyar all interviewed professionally, challenging the confident students and supporting the more nervous students where necessary. Aston McCoy particularly shone as she was project leader.

Every Year 10 student opened a personalised letter inviting them to interview at a particular time. Some specific students from my Wednesday Year 10 class who really shone in this activity included Diamond Sefolli 10D, Sean Ayers 10E, Beau Russell 10A, Daniel Johnson 10D and Semanur Duyar 10E.

The students who performed exceptionally from my Thursday Year 10 class included: Shannon Gilmore 10C who showed resilience and determination, Billy Holmes 10C who impressed the interviewers so much with his personality and approach, Henry Donnelly 10A who demonstrated confidence and business knowledge.

I'm very proud of you all, well done.





Reggie Ryan being interviewed.



Gloria Boateng 10D and Kayla 10C waiting for their interview.



Lauren Brent interviewing and Padulla Charleigh Flint 10C being interviewed.

Aaron White 10C and Brandon Mwangi 10D opened their letters to find out their 'applications' had been successful and they were being invited to a job interview. In Brandon's coursework he went through the process of a formal job application. He 'applied' to work at JD sports and Aaron 'applied' to work at Jamie Oliver's restaurant.

Miss Wright
Head of Business and Economics



Business News

Tim Stillwell, entrepreneur, owner of Burrito Kitchen and previous contestant on The Apprentice, came to Jo Richardson in November to speak to students about seizing opportunities. Tim spoke in assembly, then came along to a Year 12 BTEC Business lesson to answer questions pitched by the success-hungry entrepreneurs. The questions were varied and students wanted to know what

it was like to be a business owner, where the idea of his Burrito business came from and how he got started with only £500 capital. The Business Department would like to thank Tim for giving up his valuable time to talk to our students.

Miss McCormack Enterprise and Business Links Co-ordinator



Success in the city

On Wednesday 18th November a talented group of Year 12 BTEC Business students participated in the City Pitch for Schools 2015 supported by the Mayors Fund for London. They were invited to City Hall in London to present their ideas to an acclaimed panel about how to support students in JRCS. The panel included:

Kim Chaplain – Director of Charitable Activities, Mayors Fund for London, Jamal Edwards, MBE – Founder SBTV, Sara Cerrell – Founder and Principle of Global Change Network, Nicola Brentnall, MVO – Director, The Queen's Trust, Alisa Swidler – Trustee, Mayor's Fund for London

The students did an amazing job and they were awarded £3000 to embed their ideas into the school community. In addition to this they were awarded £200 because the audience felt they did the best pitch.

Following the pitch lots of organisations have contacted the school with offers of help and support. The students are starting to put together a strong professional network.

Well done to all involved.

Miss Howe and Miss McCormack Business Department



MAYOR'S

AWARDS

Business A level students go global for the day!

On Friday 4th December, the Year 13 A level Business students and myself went to The Business Show in Kensington Olympia. The event was an opportunity for the students to hear some talks from some of the most influential business men and women in the UK such as Touker Suleyman from Dragon's Den and Bianca Miller of Apprentice 2014 fame. There was also a 'Going Global' area at the event which showcased specialists from world business, the students listened to talks such as '10 Top Tips For Succeeding in China' and 'E-commerce; Removing The Barriers To International Expansion'. The 'Going Global' event in particular was great for consolidating some of the students' knowledge for their globalisation unit in their A level course and the students had a very productive start to their "global" day.

In one of our globalisation lessons, the students had asked if they could 'go for an Indian'. They had in mind to experience their typical takeaway, but instead they were treated to a different kind of experience. Understanding different cultures and ways of life is very important for the A level Business course and it is often difficult for students to imagine why other countries tastes and preferences are so different to ours. Therefore, on the way back from the Business Show, Miss Wright and I took the students to the Saravanaa Bhavan in East Ham.

Apart from the walk from the tube to the restaurant being an experience of different cultures for the Sixth Form students, the restaurant itself was also a unique experience. The Saravanaa Bhavan is a global chain with 56 restaurants in 10 different countries. They offer authentic southern Indian cuisine, which is vegetarian. The students tucked into some food they had never seen or tasted before. Abbie Briggs and Daisy Hawkes ordered a dosa each which they expected to look like small spring rolls, but the plates alone filled the table, which upset James Plachta so much that he and Daniel Fajinmi had to go and sit at another table



to eat their food. Daniel realised he had ordered too many bread style dishes, while Danny Nicholls (who is a BTEC Business student, but asked to go along on the trip for the experience) was pleased with his choice of vegetable curry and jalfrezi rice.









Aysha Guven said, "Coming here has really helped because now I can see for myself the struggles companies like McDonalds would have setting up in a different country like India." We asked for plastic containers to pack up the leftover curry and I gave it to a homeless person by the tube station on the way home. This in itself was a learning experience for the students who initially thought this would be an embarrassing thing to do, but they got stuck into packing away the leftover food into the plastic containers. One said: "Yet, another life lesson for this busy day trip."

Mr Marks
Business Department

Winter Wonderland Ball - Year 12 BTEC Business class coursework

We as a Year 12 class managed and ran an event for years 7-9. The event had been introduced to class by our teacher Miss Howe and running this event was part of our assessed coursework for BTEC Business. At first we were excited, but we didn't realise what we were getting ourselves into. It was really stressful. Miss Howe provided us with individual roles and explained we were expected to manage the entire planning and running of the event. Miss Howe also added the pressure by asking us to run a winter fair during break and lunch the week of the disco. At this event we would be working in micro groups running Christmas fair stalls. One group decided to bring in their Xbox so the students could play Fifa16. Another group chose to sell hot chocolate, another sold Oreo milkshakes and a final group sold sweets and drinks. A raffle was run as well and the grand prize was trampolining. There was also a football team sweepstake. We learned key skills like marketing, finance, stock control, promotion and advertising as well as having to adhere to the school rules and wider trading legislation.







We all came together as one big group to organise the disco. In the run up to this event we were continuously given ticket sales targets to reach which was challenging. Miss Wright helped closer to the disco and we learned how to perform under pressure. We learned through making

some mistakes along the way and had to use a few contingencies along the way.

The night of the disco itself was a night to remember. Knowing we were responsible for the success of the event was immense. We wanted to run a fully inclusive event so we made sure everyone felt comfortable and welcome. We stepped in where we saw issues and made sure everything ran smoothly. From set up to close and tidy up afterwards, we were responsible for the entire event and I think I can speak for all of the class when I say how much we learned and how happy we are to have had the chance to make this event happen.

Miss Wright said after the event, "As a Department, the Business Team are extremely proud of our students. I know other schools run this unit as a simple trip to the cinema, but we go all in and let our students organise an event for over 300 people. It is not easy, it can get stressful as the students learn how to work as a team with their peers and learn how to manage a situation in order to get the end result they want. The entire project is a learning curve and the students are meant to make mistakes, whilst we micro manage behind the scenes. At the end of the event, the students have developed the essential skills required to organise other events in the future."

Ben Haynes and Klevi Bejti Year 12 BTEC Business Class









SMSC Music

Star Awards

On Wednesday 25th November, some of our dedicated musicians performed at the welcome reception for a Borough Award Evening here at school. Lucy Lombard sang an assortment of songs including 'Wishing You Were Somehow Here Again' from Phantom of the Opera and 'O Mio Babbino Caro' by Puccini.

Our newly formed wind octet, Teri Keenan, Camilo Mosquera, Jamie Adekeye, Amirat Odofin, Isata Sesay, Hafusat Adeyemi, Alperen Oktay and Daniel Gill, played a selection of popular Disney songs. They were all superb representatives for the school and did both themselves and JRCS proud.

Well done and thank you all for your commitment.

Music Department









SMSC Student Voice

Student Voice Elections

Wednesday 7th October saw our annual Student Voice election day: The turnout for voting was slightly down on previous years but with over 400 candidates, this year's election was a hard fought one. Students looking to get involved in making a difference in their school, local and international community nominated themselves for a wide range of action teams such as Teaching and Learning, Diversity, Fundraising and Community.

These elections show how much our young people care about the world in which they live. Through Student Voice here at JRCS, we give them the opportunities and the skills to make great things happen and for them to realise that young people can make a real difference to their communities.

Election results will be posted in Main Street on Monday morning.



Ms Boller Student Communication Manager

SMSC PE

Year 7 Football Fixture

The Year 7 football team played their first fixture of the season in the National Cup competition against City of London School in October. The boys put in a very good performance but were unfortunately narrowly beaten 2-1. However, there were positive signs that this could be a successful year for the team.

Well played boys: Logan McKenzie 7J, Bayley Maffia 7H, Anthony Thomas 7C, Elliot Owen 7B, Ernest Peka 7C, Jack T Davis 7D, Ayo Arosoye 7D, Taylor Skinner 7A, Jack Curtis 7F, Samuel Osikorobia 7E, Tommy Mitchell 7E, Jayden Walker 7J and Jare Oniwonlu 7B.

The next Year 7 fixture is Tuesday 20th October. The team sheet is on the noticeboard in PE.

Mr Howard PE Department

Year 7 Netball:

The Year 7 netball team had their first match on Tuesday 6th October. The girls played extremely well and won the game 9-0. They were playing Chobham and it was an Essex Cup game. They have four more games in the Essex Cup to play to see if we get through to the next round. If they continue to play the way they have started, I believe they will do well in this competition.

Their next match, which is another Essex Cup game, is on Monday 19th October against West Hatch.

Keep up the hard work girls.

Miss Wright PE Department

Multiple injuries in PE Classroom!

I was initially alarmed to see a large number of children bleeding and wearing bandages in the PE classroom on Wednesday 11th November. However, after a quick investigation, all was well! It was a group of 21 Key Stage 3 students working towards their Young First Aider Award under the guidance of instructors from London Area Sea Cadets. This is the second part of an on-going project with the Sea Cadets which began at the start of term with water sports activities at the Royal Docks. Congratulations to all the students for showing commitment and taking up this opportunity to gain an extra qualification; it also seems like lots of fun!







The students involved in this project are: Jack T Davis and Billy Kemp 7D, Nicola Hicks 7H, Jovan Nenadovic 9A, Tasnim Rahman, Yewande Ogini, Ahlam Ali, Firdaus Lahmami, Ellie Marshall and Diana Kryvyy 9B, Edward Stemarthe, Temi Oluwole, Faizaan Mahmoud and Reece Johnson 9C, Alperen Oktay, Ryan Maun, Lauren Simson, Deanna Allman, and Emily Fawsitt 9D, and Davaughn Smith 9F.

My thanks also go to the Sea Cadet instructors, Seb Britton, Kay Slaughter and Gary Barrett for running the course for us.

Ms Montague **OSHL** Co-ordinator

Basketball News

Congratulations to the Key Stage 4 basketball team who competed in the annual borough Basketball competition at Sydney Russell in November.

The team played five games, winning four and finishing the competition in overall 2nd place.

The team featured the tournament's top scorer, Armandas Smailys (11B) with 22 points, as well as Hassan Yusef (11E) and Oclair Robinet (11A) who also featured amongst the top five competition scores.



Mr Cole PE Department

Year 8 Netball

The Year 8 netball team have got off to a flying start this season with a 15-1 win over Eastbrook School. The girls have been training hard since September and will be competing in the Borough, League and Essex Cup this season. Player of the match was Ire Ajala 8F.

Miss Boulton Head of PE

U16 Boys Basketball

Following their success at the Borough Basketball tournament, the U16 boys' basketball team secured another victory against Riverside on the evening of Monday 16th November. The boys have rarely trained together but managed to out play their opponents to achieve a 28-8 win in the friendly. Player of the match was Armandas Smailys 11B.

Miss Boulton Head of PE

Big medal haul for JRCS at Borough Cross Country Event

Many congratulations to all who took part and represented the school so well at the Borough Cross Country event at Pages Wood on Friday 20th November. 28 students took part in the competition, and despite the very cold wind put in some excellent performances. Two students came in second place winning individual silver medals, Michael Tittley in the Year 7 boys race and Temi Taiwo in the Year 7 girls race. Billie Hackett also put in an excellent performance in the Year 8/9 girls race finishing just outside the medals in fourth place. There were also medals for three of our teams, the Year 7 boys and Year 8/9 girls achieved a bronze medal as a team and the Year 7 girls raced into silver medal position in their race.



Well done to everyone who took part and who had the resilience to gain a position on the school team in the first place! You did JRCS proud. Thanks also to Miss O'Keefe who helped with the trip. In addition to those named above the students who represented the school were:

Jaiden Walker 7J, Jack Curtis 7F, Samuel Ogunyemi 7H, Taylor Skinner 7A, Bayley Maffia 7H, Chloe Gunn-Duffy 7A, Lucy Burgum 7H, Ellie McDonald 7I, Morgan Romain 7I, Shannon Woodhouse 7J, Seth Carter 9B, Ryan Steward 9E, Lewis South 9D, Tahir Rahim 8E, DJ Thomas 8D, Charlie Wedge 9B, Laveda Ogbebor 8D, Beautiful Ayogu 9H, Daniella Ihezuo-Nnadi 8F, Mei-La Daley 8C, Goda Baublyte 9A, Jordan Deeble 10H, Luckman Juma 10E, Ali Warsame 10A and Sion Daley 11C.









Miss Montague School Games Co-ordinator

Badminton Champions

Congratulations to the current Key Stage 3 Barking & Dagenham, Badminton Borough Champions 2015/16.

The team competed in both Singles and Doubles competition against Eastbury, Dagenham Park, Barking Abbey and Eastbrook.

They were extremely successful and deserving winners, they will now go on to represent the Borough in the London Youth Games competition in February.



Well done from the PE Department

Mr Cole
PE Department

Year 7 Girls Netball:

Another successful week in November for the Year 7 Netball team. The girls played extremely well and won their two matches against Eastbury A and Eastbury B. The girls are on a winning streak and need to keep up their hard work and dedication for future matches.

Netball team:

Temi Tailuo 7A, Abibat Popoola 7B, Maya Quagraine 7H, Adunola Olayiwola 7F, Ellie Hatham 7G, Demi Gray 7J, Claudia Da Silva 7A, Jayzy Daniel 7H and Kanya Archer 7F.

Miss Wright PE Department

JRCS win the Borough Volleyball KS4 competition

JRCS Key Stage 4 Volleyball team won the Borough Volleyball competition on Monday 23rd November. The format was a group stage and was won by the JRCS team consisting of:

Anisha Gohil 11D, Ore Olayinka 11E, Aydin Phillips 11E, Isioma Uwajeh 11E, Ife Obaremo 11F and Mohammed Rashid 11G.

JRCS will now go on to represent Barking and Dagenham in both the boys and girls categories at the London Youth Games.

Mr Newport

PE Teacher and Acting Head of Year 11

Year 7/8 Girls Football Tournament

In November the Year 7/8 girls football team competed in the Barking and Dagenham Borough 6 a side football tournament and reached the semi-finals. The girls performed exceptionally well as a team and comprehensively beat Riverside 2-0 and Robert Clark 1-0 in the group stages. We progressed to the semi-finals to then be narrowly beaten 1-0 by Sydney Russell. The girls represented the school and themselves with great credit!

Well Done Girls!:

Frankie Hendricks 8C, Charlie Wetherell 8B, Khai Sesay 8D, Demi Gray 7J, Ellie McDonald 7I, Shannon Woodhouse 7J, Jasmin Green 8B, Lily Johnson 8B and Keira Thomas 7J.

Mr Robson

PE Department

Partnership with the London Area Sea Cadets

As many of you will know we are currently involved in a partnership project with the London Area Sea Cadets, who have provided free watersports training for our students at the Royal Docks and are currently delivering a first aid course in school, linked to our D of E in Year 9 which will conclude with a residential project next term.

The Sea Cadets have approached us about taking this partnership further and establishing a Sea Cadet Unit or Sea Cadet Partnership Unit here at Jo Richardson. The Sea Cadets state that 'Our main aim is to inspire young people, to boost their confidence to help give them the best head start in life with a range of skills that will benefit them regardless of the career path they choose'.

For any new cadet partnership or unit, the school will need to recruit sufficient adult volunteers to run it. These units will require at least two volunteers, one male and one female. Volunteers wear uniforms (provided free by the MOD), but do not need any form of military experience – just enthusiasm and a willingness to learn new skills. As well as being a very rewarding experience, volunteering with a cadet unit can lead to fully-accredited qualifications in a wide range of activities and disciplines.

We are therefore seeking volunteers from the school community to express an interest in taking this project forward. If there are any parents or friends of the school who are interested in this volunteering opportunity, please e-mail me directly lmontague@jorichardson.org.uk.

Miss Montague OSHL Coordinator

Year 8 Netball Success

Following a heavy defeat in the last week of November to the Eastbury A team, the Year 8 netball girls came back fighting to secure a victory over Sydney Russell. The girls committed themselves to an extra training practice and it paid off as we scored 15 goals to Sydney Russell's 3. There were some excellent individual performances from Silvia Martin 8E and Ire Ajala 8F and on the whole the girls defended well throughout the game to ensure we had the most possession.

The winning streak continued the following week with another victory, this time over Riverside. The girls played some really well organised and fluid netball which comes as a result of playing and training together regularly. The result was 12-0 to Jo Richardson and the player of the match was Esther Harvest who scored most of the goals. We have one more fixture against Barking Abbey before Christmas so hopefully we can continue this run of form.

Well done ladies!

Miss Boulton PE Department

Thank you Laveda!

Laveda Ogbebor 8D has kindly donated her Jack Petchey reward money to the PE Department. She has a keen interest in athletics and has represented the school in Cross Country and Athletics during the last two years at JRCS. She decided to spend the money on new athletics vests for the team and proudly modelled her design with her friends Elizabeth Ogunyanwo and Mei-la Daley.

Miss Boulton Head of PE



KS3 Volleyball Results

JRCS Key Stage 3 Volleyball team competed against Sydney Russell in the Barking and Dagenham Borough final. The JRCS

Volleyball team consisted of a mixed team from Year 7 and Year 8 whilst Sydney Russell had a squad made up of male students. In what was a tense and very close game over three matches, Sydney Russell came out the eventual winners by 1-2, winning the deciding game.

Scorecard: G1: **JRCS** 25 – 18 Sydney Russell

G2: JRCS 26 – 28 Sydney Russell G3: JRCS 15 – 25 Sydney Russell

The JRCS Volleyball team:

Dimeji Olayinka 7J, JonJoe Mould 7G, Silvai Martin-Omergie 8E, Joana Balla 8E Adam Lahmami 8E and Esther Harvest 8E.

The Year 8 girls from JRCS plus the rest of the Key Stage 3 girls squad will represent Barking and Dagenham at the London Youth Games

Mr Newport PE Department

Year 8/9 Basketball Tournament

In November, the Year 8/9 boys Basketball team competed in the Barking and Dagenham Borough Tournament at Sydney Russell School. The boys exceeded expectations and played extremely well to finish in 3rd place overall and received bronze medals. We beat Riverside 15-2, Sydney Russell 8-6 and were eventually beaten by Dagenham Park 11-6. Well done boys and keep up the hard work!

Kany Kiakia 10D, Guerchon Swarhay 9F, Plamedi Mateus 8F, Ahmed Ismaila 8F, Jovan Nevandovic 9A, Abiola Shakeye 9C, Tyler Hope 8F, Dominik Svacina 8F, Edon Halimi 8E, Connor Richmond 8F, Sean Mwangi 9H, Alperen Oktay 9D, Dimitrios Lavani 9C and Clive Armstrong 9D.

Mr Robson PE Department

Year 7 Boys Football

On Monday 30th November, the Year 7 boys' football team played a Borough league game against Barking Abbey. On a very cold, wet and windy evening the boys played well against a very good Barking Abbey team but unfortunately ended up losing the game 3-1.

Well done to everyone who played and in particular Jack Curtis for scoring our equaliser. Logan McKenzie 7J, Bayley Maffia 7H, Anthony Thomas 7C, Elliot Owen 7B, Ernest Peka 7C, Michael Tittley 7A, Taylor Skinner 7A, Jack Curtis 7F, Samuel Osikorobia 7E, Jare Oniwonlu 7B, Nigel Moyo 7H and Samuel Boadi 7C.

Don't forget Year 7 football training is on a Tuesday after school.

Mr Howard PE Department

JRCS Sports Leaders excel at two Borough events

During December sports leaders from Year 9 and 10 were helping out at two major Borough events and have been praised for the calm and effective way that they have worked with their younger peers to inspire them to some brilliant sporting performances.

On Friday 5th December JRCS hosted a Sports Inspired event for three local primary schools, James Cambell, Godwin and Monteagle. Local Sports Clubs were invited to run sessions to inspire Year 4 students to take up physical activity as part of a healthy lifestyle. One hundred and fifty young visitors to JRCS enjoyed sessions on rugby, fencing, fitness, boxing, handball, boccia, new age kurling and dance, mentored by enthusiastic Year 9 students from JRCS.



The students involved were:

Isil Acar 9A, Clive Armstrong 9D, Brandon Batchelor 9D, Goda Baublyte 9A, Danjel Begu 9D, Eri Beitja 9A, Max Brown 9C, Rimmon Daley 9A, Zaine Duffus 9D, Ammiel Enahoro 9A, Kiarah Fanning 9C, Lewis Jones 9D, Michael Jordon 9D, Rachael Kesinro 9C, Robert Lluka 9D, Keren Mbo 9D, Maia Medina 9D, Jovan Nenadovic 9A, Thomas Paris 9C, Lauren Simson 9D, Raluca Tudor 9B, Clawnton Wetshi 9D, Emily Fawsitt 9D, Aaliyah Batchelor Grant 9D, Faizah Kamaly 9A, Samha Omar 9C, Beautiful Ayogu 9H, Shelize Boochoon 9H, Cheyenne Calverley 9F, Louise Daly 9H, Jordan Kesler 9F, Orsilda Lleshi 9E, Kira Marsden 9H, John Mikeli 9G, Modestas Mockus 9G, Sean Mwangi 9H, Callum O'Connell 9G, Baqui Odofin 9F, Max Pearson 9H, George Smith 9E, Bradley Stewart 9G, Natasha Stopp 9G, Mollie Stubbs 9E,

Oliver Wardell 9E, Flavian Yamvwa 9H, Riliwan Yusuf 9G, Anmona Siddagua 9H, Jade Plaskett 9G, Yaniqu Peterkin 9E, Ebony Knight 9H, Emily Chrysanthou 9H, Natalie Labdon 9G and Adam Brazier 9E.

Well done also to the Year 10 sports leaders from forms E – H who led the Primary Sports Hall Athletics event here on Wednesday 8th December. One visiting Headteacher from Beam Primary School was extremely complimentary about the calm and organised manner of our Year 10 students. Furthermore, the School Sports Partnership Manager, Elaine Burgess said of our leaders 'The Year 10 leaders were wonderful - hard working, efficient and very motivating with the young pupils, helping and coaching them'. The students being described in these glowing terms

Hanan Abdulhamid, Axel Adams, Jodie Chesney, Angel Churchward, Claudia Del Rio Voase, Sagal Essa, Deanna Hankin, Charlie Hendricks, Paige Hewitt, Courtnet Igoudala, Megha Islam, Teri Keenan, Shanice Maklil, Demi Ogunti, Angela Omorere, Yasmine Raji, Jake Sanchez, Danielle Searle, Caitlin Street, Grace Tayo, Billy Tyler and Lucy Whyte.

I am extremely proud of you all!

Ms Montague School Games Co-ordinator



JRCS students gain places on Borough Panathlon team On Thursday 3rd December, 17 JRCS students tried out for the Borough Panathlon team at Robert Clack Leisure

Centre. They were competing against students with additional needs from all over the Borough to represent the London Borough of Barking and Dagenham at the Panathlon.

The Panathlon takes place each year and gives young people with additional needs an opportunity to compete in a range of sports including boccia, new age kurling, indoor athletics, table cricket, poly bat, precision bean bag and power wheelchair slalom. The following students from Jo Richardson tried out for the Borough team: Enrique Del Rio 8D, Jake Pengelly 8C, Khai Sesay 8D, Harry Ely 9A, Georgina Hart 10A, Abigail Jacobs 10B, Nathan Batt 10D, Arnit Gashi 10D, Reece Ward 7F, Jordan McCarthy, Russel Duffield 7G, Louie Filbert 7H and Zane Macleod 7H.

The following students will go on to represent the Borough at the Panathlon:

Round 1 and 2 events in the New Year: Enrique – Boccia, Khai, Arnit, Jordan, Louie and Zane – table cricket, Jake – New Age Kurling, Georgina – precision bean bag, Abigail and Reece - power wheelchair slalom, and Harry and Nathan running races. Round 1 is on Wednesday 13th January and Round 2 is on Friday 18th March 2016.











Congratulations to all who tried out for the team, you all behaved very well and did your best. If you did not get in, there is always the competition next year to try out for, and don't forget Panathlon Club every Friday at 1:30pm in the Sports Hall. Thanks also to the staff and parents who helped with the trip without whom it would have been impossible to take part: Mr Hill, Mrs Willis, Mr Robson and Mrs Ward.

Ms Montague School Games Organiser





SMSC Religious Studies

Every lesson from the start of the year to the end of the year deals with social, moral, spiritual and cultural issues it is what Religious Studies is all about.

This last half term we have had some particular projects we have been extra proud of in the department.

Year 7 have been working on an extended homework project about cultural journeys that people make and in particular religious people. The project has the Year 7s researching independently at home about pilgrimage and are guided through the project with a series of questions they are asked to find out about, finishing with them making a choice about advertising a pilgrimage to one of three sacred places around the world. This year the quality of the work produced has been outstanding with many students getting sent letters home about how much effort has gone into their project.

Year 9 were given homework to start researching an ethical issue of their choice for their right to write project. Their RS teacher explained their written piece needed to contain different viewpoints on the issue as well as their own view. The responses we have had and the work we have marked as a department has been so interesting. The issues have ranged from

- Abortion
- Euthanasia
- Capital punishment
- Animal testing
- Organ donation
- Stem cell research
- Archeologically research (is it ok to dig up dead bodies from the past)
- The mafia
- Discrimination, is there a positive side?
- Disciplining children
- The refugee crisis

Year 8-11 have the opportunity of taking part in the annual spirited arts competition that is a national competition that runs every academic year. To find out more ask your RS teacher, take an entry from the challenge board in your RS classroom or visit the NATRE Spirited Arts website for yourself.

Mrs Wing Head of Religious Studies

SMSC DT

Technology, Science and Engineering TeenTech Trip









TeenTech is an amazing event JRCS was fortunate to attend on Tuesday 1st December 2015. The event was hosted by Mrs Maggie Philbin. All students who attended were amazing in all the activities. They definitely did JRCS proud.

Alperen Oktay won a 2nd place prize for completing a challenge at one of the Technology Stalls.



Well done to all the students who attended:

Casey Margerison 9D, Antonia Ivanova 9B, Joanna Balla 8E, Rebecca Marku 8E, Dagmara Onozko 8D, Jennifer Dicko 9G, Alperen Oktay 9D, Jonathan Oko 8C, Temi Oluwole 9C and Alishba Saleemi 8A.

Miss Banjo Head of DT



SMSC Food & Catering

Cooking Club 2015

Over a course of eight weeks the following students started to produce a selection of foods. The students planned and created some excellent dishes. They used a wide range of skills, Mrs Debono and I were very impressed with the effort and the commitment to coming to this year's Cooking Club sessions; we had 20 student's taking part.

I would like to thank Mrs Debono for the continuous support she has given to me over the past weeks.

Well done to the students that have committed to and are taking part in this year's Cooking Club. We re start again in 2016.



Belica Cofie 7C, Snow E 7D, Jazmine Defreitas 7D, Nyomi Forbes 7D, Mia Hurley 7D, Stephanie James 7E, Samuel Serbaneci 7F, Jonjoe Mould 7G, Alyssa West 7I, Daniel Barcroft 8B, Jonathan Oko 8C, Havilah Ekwes 8C, James David 8D, Lisa-Marie Lawrence 8G, Rachael Akhablam 8G, Ryley Rogers 8H, Shanise Garner 8H, Greta Petrokaite 8H, Shannon West 8H and Harry Ely 9A,

Mr Hargreaves
Food and Catering Department

Cake Club 2015

Well done to the following students who have taken part in this year's Cake Club: Lauren Simson 9D, Khai Sesay 8D, Shannon Jones 7E, Rosie-May Cuthbert 7I, Devika Ahtty 7I Shaynee Alderson 8E, Elizabeth Dina 7D, Katie-Louise Oglesby 8C, Holly Dicko 8B, Samuel Serbaneci 7F, Valvine Mpiana 8B and Ibukunoluwa Silva-Ope 8F.

These students have produced a cake for Christmas at Cake Club. Over the past four weeks the students have planned and created some excellent ideas. We have been very impressed with the effort and the commitment in this year's Cake Club and I would like to thank Mrs Moffatt and Mrs Gande for the support they have given me over the past weeks.

Mr Hargreaves
Food and Catering



SMSC Dance

GCSE Dance Theatre Trip

The Dance Department took students from Year 9, 10 and 11 to Sadlers Wells Theatre on 4th November to watch a triple bill by Rambert Dance Company: 'Love, Art & Rock'n'Roll'. The students enjoyed the three very different and interesting dance works alongside a pre-show talk led by the choreographers which enabled them to appreciate the art of choreographing to assist with their upcoming GCSE coursework. The students were



excellent ambassadors for the school and the Dance Department were very proud to see them independently converse in the key themes which arose from each choreography.

Miss Simpson
Dance Department

Dance News

Last Friday the Dance Department hosted a Dance Showcase as part of the Year 11 Choreography Exam which also consisted of the Year 10 GCSE dancers and Epidemik (the girls dance company).

We would like to thank the dancers' parents and friends for their support. It was an excellent success and all students worked very hard towards the show. We look forward to the next event in February 2016



Thank you.

JRCS Dance Department

SMSC Sixth Form

Finding hope at Little Havens

On Monday 23rd November 2015, the Health and Social Care class visited Little Havens Hospice. Little Havens is a children's hospice, a place where children who are living with life-limiting diseases are able to relax and enjoy being children. Little Havens also provides the children's families, both parents and siblings, with a break from the stress of looking after the children with life threatening diseases.

We were surprised at how welcoming the hospice was. Our expectations of the hospice were that it would be similar to a hospital with children who have severe illnesses, with staff who are moody and serious, but the hospice was actually the complete opposite of what we thought it would be.



We were given a tour of the hospice and realised how much effort goes into making the children feel at home and the hospice gives the children the rights and freedom any other child would have. This means the children have access to all the latest technology, as well as an education that follows the national curriculum. What was fascinating about this hospice was that what keeps it functioning is kind donations from people who are passionate about the work the hospice does. In order to support them, we have decided to fundraise to promote and raise money for this remarkable hospice. Keep an eye out for more information on the fundraising that will happen near Christmas.

Josie Peer 12D, Promise Enemchukwu 12A and Noor Abbas 12C.

Discover Risk Workshop - CII

Jo Richardson Sixth Form had the opportunity to take part in a 'Game of Risk' which is usually only offered to certain schools.

Caspar Bartington, of the Chartered Insurance Institute, brought in colleagues from the insurance world to deliver a thought provoking scenario game. We were fortunate enough to have representatives from AXA; Lloyd's of London and SUS Solutions Limited.

The Sixth Formers, who are all studying the Certificate in Financial Studies, made the most of their opportunity. The students were split into four teams and had to deliver their decisions on how real the risk was in the scenario given and how much impact it would have if it did happen. Each scenario mirrored events that have taken place in the world and produced some thought provoking discussion.

Students began to realise that in the world of insurance all areas have to be thought of and covered!! Would anyone have thought that Michael Jackson would not be able to perform, due to dying? The insurance company that covered the gigs did!!









The advisors helped students become aware of all the things that could happen and look at the scale between possibly and probably!!

"West Ham not playing Payet" ended up the overall winners (team names had to have something associated with risk!), but all teams got high marks in the latter rounds showing their understanding of risk had increased.

Many thanks to the C I I, the external advisors and the students for making it a great session.

Miss Campbell Deputy Director of Sixth Form

Pathways to Teaching

On Thursday 19th November, 10 Year 12 students went to the Barking Learning Centre to listen to a talk about pathways to teaching. There were four speakers the first two were NQT's from JRCS and they told us about their experience at university and the path that they took to become a teacher. We were also spoken to by a professor from UEL who specialises in Post Graduate Certificates in Education and he told us how to apply for a PGCE and what the requirements were to get into the PGCE year. Finally, we had a teacher from Eastbury School, he spoke to us about the work load and what's important when being a teacher. This was a really helpful and interesting morning and it helped me choose the path that I want to take to become a teacher.

Bethany Knight 12B

Sixth Form nearly "Bowl Them Over"

15 Sixth Form students took up the challenge to represent JRCS in the Consortium Bowling competition. Three lanes of focus, sweat and the occasional tear when that "one" pin remained standing! The students managed to smash their way through to 1022 points, 15 snacks and turn Mr Cole, Mrs Wren and Miss Campbell grey with their varying styles. The lanes proved not to be our friends on this occasion, and we are sure we saw staff from the other schools with super glue near our pins but we held our heads up high, had a great time

and in the famous words of Arnie – "We'll be back" (next year!).

Bring on the football, table tennis and chess competitions!

Miss Campbell Deputy Director of Sixth Form

