



# FRIDAY REVIEW

Friday 27th February 2009

## Supporting Success

On Thursday evening we held a meeting for Year 10 parents to help them support their children during Key Stage 4. Topics included the range of coursework in each of the subject areas, staying healthy and developing daily routines that will help pupils achieve success.

## Stealing

A pupil was found stealing from a local shop this week. I consider this to be a serious breach of discipline as it brings the school into disrepute. Where this kind of behaviour is brought to my attention it will be dealt with severely.

## Beta Thalassaemia

Each day this week a specialist nurse from Upton Hospital has been delivering a talk to pupils in Years 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 about Beta Thalassaemia which is a serious blood disorder. If you would like more information about this condition leaflets are available from school reception.

## Bully Beat Workshop

On Friday 13th February 24 pupils from Years 7, 8 and 9 took part in a Bully Beat Workshop. The event was a great success and at the end of the day a song was produced which was then shared with the whole school during an assembly.

## Horses for Forces

On Tuesday 24th February a show on Forces was organised for Year 9 pupils and proved to be highly successful. The show involved dancing and singing to help pupils understand the science of forces. The actors involved were very impressed by the attitude and behaviour shown by the pupils.

## Year 10 Media Studies

On Monday Year 10 had a visit from Miss Laura Williams, who is the manager of W H Smiths to help them decide how best to promote the magazines they are producing as part of their GCSE coursework for Media Studies.

## Year 9 Options Evening

This will be held on Thursday 5th March from 6 pm to 7.30 pm in the school hall. Parents and pupils will have the opportunity to find out more about the option choices available to pupils next year.

## Seniores

On Thursday evening the speaker at The Seniores was the former Deputy Chaplain General (Land), Reverend John Whitton. He spoke to the students about establishing and appointing chaplains to the armed forces who are representatives of the four largest minority faith groups Muslim, Hindu, Buddhist and Sikh. He said our pupils were a credit to the school.

## Adult and Community Learning

A group of ladies who attend English classes in school had a treat this week. On 24th February (Shrove Tuesday) their lesson was held in the Food Technology kitchen where they learned how to read an English recipe and to make pancakes. All were pleased to have the opportunity to use the excellent school facilities. There are a few places in evening yoga classes and we can offer the remaining sessions at £5.50 for 5 classes. Classes are held in the new dance studio and mats are provided. Contact 01753 486047 for more information.

## Outward Bound Trip

On Friday 13th February some Year 10 and Year 11 pupils along with sixthformers went to Wales to spend the weekend at

the Outward Bound Activity Centre to participate in a number of adrenaline-pumping activities. The pupils found it very exciting and it also taught them survival skills and was a very memorable experience for all who participated.

## Science Exams

Years 10 and 11 will have science modular examinations next week. On Monday Year 11 have a 30 minute exam and retakes. On Wednesday Year 11 have a 20 minute exam and retakes and on Friday Year 10 have 2 papers 20 minutes each and retakes. They should be preparing for these this weekend.

## Spring Sports Clubs

Every day of the week all pupils are welcome at lunchtime in the Fitness Suite.

After school activities (3.30 pm to 4.30 pm) include:

Monday: Badminton all Years,  
Tuesday: Boxing (£1) and fixtures

Wednesday: Indoor Cricket Nets for Years 9 and 10 only and Fitness Suite girls only.

Thursday: Street Dance (£1) and fixtures.

Friday: GCSE PE Catch Up Club in the Library.

## Sainsbury's Active Kids 2009 Vouchers

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Blazer with badge £15  
Jumpers £5  
Polo Shirts £3  
Rugby Shirts £5  
Tracksuit Top £5  
Tracksuit Bottom £5  
Shorts £2  
School Hat £1.50

We will be selling uniform at all school open events in the evenings and uniform items are also available from school reception.

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

5th March: Yr 9 Options Information Evening

12th March: Yr 10 triple vaccinations

12th March: Yr 9 Parents' Evening

13th March: Red Nose Day (Mufti day in school)

23rd March: Year 11 Mock exams

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