



FRIDAY REVIEW

Friday 28th November 2008

Prizegiving

The Bishop of Oxford, The Right Reverend John Pritchard, was guest of honour at our annual Prizegiving on Tuesday evening. It was the first time our new hall and restaurant had been used for such an event and everyone was suitably impressed. Our Head Boy, Qabeer Akhtar, and Head Girl, Ifrah Ahmed, made impressive speeches on their debut event.

On the Radio

Radio Berkshire did a live outside broadcast from our food technology department on Wednesday after school. As part of our Adult and Community Learning (ACL) programme we run a Parent and Child cooking course to promote healthier lifestyles and tastier food. Some of our pupils were interviewed and children as young as 8 are on the course. Chef, and Community tutor, Kevin Muhammad, was quizzed about his tasty recipes and said how successful the course had been.

If you are interested in any of our ACL courses, please contact Heather Hyams on 01753 486047.

Entrance Exams

A reminder that Year 11 start their entrance exams next week and should be spending any spare time preparing for successful results.

Photographs

We recently employed a photographer to capture images of the pupils learning in their lessons. These will be displayed around school. If you

do not wish your son or daughter to have their picture on display please let Mrs Collyer, the Head's P.A. know.

Prefects

We have recently appointed 41 Prefects in Years 11, 12 & 13. They have done an outstanding job and have been keen to take up their responsibilities. A number of staff and visitors to the school have commented on how effective the prefects have been. Congratulations to all of them!

Uniform

We have been delighted to receive feedback from members of the local community who have said that our pupils have been looking much smarter when they see them. Pupil presentation is important and that is why pupils should not wear hoodies or track suit tops to school.

Sir John Rowlings

We were delighted to receive a visit from Sir John Rowlings on Wednesday 26th November as part of our raising achievement initiative for Year 11. Sir John supports 75 schools in and around London. We are sharing strategies to raise GCSE grades. Our Year 11 pupils were totally inspired and came away from the presentation highly motivated. As the entrance exams are next week this boost from Sir John will be just what the Year 11 pupils need to spur them on.

Our Year 11 motto is 'If you believe it, you can achieve it' and the staff are sure they can!

Art Trip

On Tuesday sixth form Art students attended the UCAS 'Design your Future' exhibition in London. They enjoyed an inspirational day, attending workshops and speaking to representatives from a wide range of universities and colleges.

The highlight was attending West Thames College exhibition stand where students were given a very realistic idea of what gaping flesh wounds look like when theatrically 'made up'!

Sixth Form

On Thursday a group of sixth formers took part in the annual Berkshire Schools Sixth Form Quiz at Altwood School. Participants from this school were Ifrah Ahmed, Qabeer Akhtar, Tabassum Raja, Atif Rehman, Shamila Rehman and Asad Shah. Although not winners they received a prize as the most improved team over the evening. The quiz was in aid of local charities and support for women and children in Africa and Asia.

Tours of the School

Starting from Thursday 11th December Mr McAteer will start conducting tours of the school for anyone who wishes to see the school during a working day. All tours will start promptly at 9.30 am each Thursday and will last approximately 30 minutes.

Sports Results

On Thursday evening we hosted a Year 7 five-a-side football tournament for fourteen schools. Our team did extremely well and got to the finals but the winners were St Bernards.

Congratulations to all who took part!

Fashion Club

The above club will run every Wednesday 3.30 to 5 pm until February. All pupils are welcome on a first-come, first-served basis.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

1st-5th December:
Year 11 Entrance Exams

8th December: INSET day

19th December: End of Term

Tuesday 6th January 2009:
Start of Spring Term for pupils

We would value your comments on any of the items in the Friday Review.
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