



# FRIDAY REVIEW

## Careers Convention

On Thursday we staged our second careers convention with representatives from Barclays Bank, Interserve, Sainsbury's, Asda, Royal Berkshire Fire and Rescue Service, the Army, the Navy, Coca Cola, Royal Mail, Harringtons Hairdressers and Connexions.

Pupils from Years 9, 10, 11 plus Sixth Formers visited the fair to find out about the range of careers available in each of the organisations. The companies all commented about how enthusiastic the pupils were.

## Year 9 and 11 Choices

This week we started the process of giving Year 9 pupils information about the courses available to them in Key Stage 4. This will carry on during this term culminating in an Options Evening for parents and pupils to attend on March 4<sup>th</sup> followed by a chance to speak to subject teachers on March 11<sup>th</sup> at Year 9 consultation evening. Option choice returns need to be handed in on March 12<sup>th</sup> but they should not be completed until after parents have had the opportunity to speak to teachers on March 11<sup>th</sup>.

In a similar way Year 11 pupils have been given a copy of the Sixth Form prospectus so that they can start thinking about the courses they can do at post-16.

## Seniores

The Mayor was a guest of honour at the annual Seniores dinner held on Thursday evening at the Quality Hotel, Colnbrook. This club for Year 11 pupils has had some fascinating speakers this year and all of the pupils looked spectacularly smart in their posh clothes.

## Early Closure

The school will close early next Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> January. This is for staff to receive compulsory training about child protection procedures. Since the Baby P tragedy this training has become

a requirement for all schools and we hope parents understand the importance of this. Pupils will be sent home after lesson 5, at 2.25pm.

## Sixth Form Open Afternoon

On Friday 5<sup>th</sup> February Six Formers and staff will be available from 2-3.30pm to talk to pupils from other schools who may wish to consider a place in the Sixth Form at Slough and Eton.

## Uniform

A reminder that our school uniform includes a black skirt suitable for school. Some girls have been wearing skirts that they can hardly walk in and this is dangerous. Girls are allowed to wear trousers if they wish to.

## Haiti Disaster

Many of our pupils have contributed spare change, made donations or paid to sponge a teacher to raise money for the relief effort in Haiti. The school will be making a donation through the Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC) very soon and is aiming to raise £500. Please support us where you are able to.

## ISSP Gospel Choir

As part of our partnership with Eton College on Wednesday we welcomed renowned Gospel Choir Director, Ken Burton to our school. One hundred and sixty pupils from Years 7 & 8 took part in a workshop in the main hall. Ken led them through a variety of vocal warm-ups and Gospel songs, complete with choreography. Lots of the pupils (and staff!) didn't realise they had a voice, and Ken really inspired them to use their hidden talents. Those who showed real flair and enthusiasm will be selected to take part in a full day choral workshop at Eton College with other schools in the Slough area on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February. Good luck to those who are selected!

## Tours

A reminder that if you wish to see the school at work the Headteacher runs a tour every Thursday at 9.15 until 10.15am.

## Parent Workshop

The latest in our series of workshops was held on Thursday and was led by Karen Porter, Lisa Kiely, Philip Milnes-Smith and Marion Williams. This time the theme was Study Skills for students in KS4. The session was very well received by the parents who attended and who left feeling that they were now better able to support their children at this very important time in their school careers. All parents of students in KS4 should note that the Powerpoint presentation handout can be viewed in the Parent Workshop room on Fronter.

## Athletics

Despite it being extremely cold and wet outside some of our gifted and talented athletes are still training hard throughout the winter. All their efforts are beginning to be rewarded with Takudzwa Muzungu currently being ranked 10<sup>th</sup> in the U.K. at under 17 level for the 60 metre sprint, with Kamoal McRae not far behind!

## GCSE P.E. Trip

Fifteen GCSE P.E. pupils from Year 10 & 11 travelled with Miss Antrobus (Head of Girls P.E.) to St. Mary's University, Twickenham on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> January for a tour of their Human Performance Laboratories.

The group were shown around this state of the art facility to help with the pupils understanding of training methods and to familiarise them with Higher Education opportunities local to Slough.

Whilst there our students learnt how to measure both aerobic and anaerobic capacity using the Harvard Step Test and Wingate test respectively. Some brave volunteers even got to try out

these procedures just as the elite athletes that visit do.

## Football

Year 7 boys played Garth Hill in the County Cup on Tuesday and were unlucky to lose as they conceded a last minute goal with extra-time looming. 4-3 was the final score.

It was the first week of matches for the Slough Schools 5-a-side tournament hosted by Slough & Eton this week. The girls from Years 7, 8 & 9 beat Westgate and drew with Burnham Upper. Star players were Chante Lawrence and Faiqa Khawas.

## Netball

Year 10 & 11 played Slough Grammar on Wednesday and lost both matches. Sarosh Khalid played particularly well.

## Basketball

Year 8 took on Langley Academy on Tuesday winning their first match ever with a narrow 17-14 score line having been behind for most of the game.

## Next week's fixtures:

Tuesday Year 7, 8 & 9 Girls Football tournament (Home)  
Wednesday Year 8 Basketball (Home) vs. Langley Grammar  
Wednesday Year 10 & 11 Hockey (Away) vs. Herschel Grammar  
Wednesday Year 9 Basketball (Away) vs. Langley Academy  
Thursday Year 8 Football (Home) vs. Emmbrook (County Cup)

We would value your comments on any of the items in the Friday Review.  
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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

11<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> January  
Year 12 and 13 Exams Public Exams  
Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> January  
School Closes at 2.25pm  
Friday 5<sup>th</sup> February  
Sixth Form Open Evening  
Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February  
Year 11 Parents' Evening