

CRANBOURNE CATCH UP

CBEC'S REGULAR NEWSLETTER

20th June 2017

CRANBOURNE GOES GREEN!

Students at CBEC have enjoyed getting "green fingered" this term as part of a push to help the school gain eco-school status and become more environmentally friendly. As well as becoming more conscious of our use of energy, students in the Young Chamber group have also elected that as a school we should focus on recycling and rubbish.

To really get in the mood and provide flamboyant and creative reminders to students and staff that we should be mindful of the ways in which we conserve energy and dispose of our waste, tutor groups were tasked with "eco-bombing" their tutor room during the last Day 10. This involved decorating both normal waste and recycling bins, turning them into rubbish munching monsters or creative and colourful receptacles, which should serve as reminders to us all to clean up and protect our planet! Students produced inventive decorations for the classrooms' electric equipment to prompt us all to 'turn off' and save on our energy consumption.

Once the rooms had been thoroughly festooned with eco-friendly decoration, the next much more ambitious set of tasks began! Tutor groups were introduced to the concept of "smart cities", focusing on the plans for more environmentally conscious urban settings such as Singapore and the vision for Paris 2050. Students investigated the use of electric transport, solar and wind sourced energy and green spaces. With these cities as inspiration students set about creating sculptures to reflect how they thought a "smart" Basingstoke would look. Students brought all of their own recycled materials from home to build their sculptures, making buildings such as schools, shops and housing.

The tutor groups in each year were judged against each other, with a winner being selected for "best eco-bombing" and "best smart city".

STUDENT LEADERSHIP

Congratulations to all our new Senior Student Leaders!

Head Girl: Chloe Stevens

Head Boy: Reece Kynaston

Deputy Head Girl: Sumnima Rai

Deputy Head Girl: Sara Al Soodi

Deputy Head Boy: Ben Briley

Deputy Head Boy: Boban Collings

Ambassadorial Team Lead: Erin Quinlan

College Council Lead: Charlotte Rand

Senior Prefect Team:

Angelle Gallein

Hannah Lodge

Lyndon Anthony

Harry Bull

Simon Duffield

Megan French

Yasmin Jangdhari

Poi Jones

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a very positive exam season this year and our Year 11 students have demonstrated an exemplary attitude in their examinations throughout. With only one or two exams left, we now turn our attention to the Leavers' Assembly on June 29th and our Celebration Prom. We will miss this year group very much. The process of handing over to our new Senior Students has begun. Well done to all of our new student leadership team, who were elected by staff and students.

As you may all be aware, Monday was "Decision Day" for the proposed amalgamation with Fort Hill. The decision was that Fort Hill will close and that Fort Hill students will become part of CBEC, with some possibly on the Fort Hill site. We understand that this is a very difficult time for Fort Hill students, staff and parents and we are keen to support everyone. Our Welcome Programme for the Fort Hill students will take place over the next five weeks, getting ready for September. We will be communicating with you very regularly, so that you are fully informed of the transition process. You may know that we have already admitted over 60 new students to Cranbourne since January and are very pleased with the results. One of our ex-Fort Hill students has been elected as Deputy Head Boy. You can read the full report on the decision on the amalgamation by following this link: <http://democracy.hants.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cid=167&Mid=685>

Summer is here and the weather is likely to stay very warm for the next week! Lessons continue as normal here, right up until the last day (25th July), with some enrichment days planned in. Please make sure that your child comes to school with a water bottle, hat and sunscreen. Students are, of course allowed to drink water in class. Staying hydrated helps us all to feel on top of our work.

Mrs J.Aplin
Headteacher



'HIGH 5' PiXL CONFERENCE—MATHS

Miss Kirk and Miss Hill took a group of Year 11 students to Bristol to attend the 'High 5' PiXL Conference. The aim of the conference was to prepare students for the up-coming GCSE maths exam and to tackle the most commonly occurring topics.

Sessions covered a range of topics including number lists, percentages, shape combinations, algebraic arguments and ratio and proportion.

It was very impressive to hear Motivation Speakers encouraging the students to work hard in the final weeks and months.

The day was a great success and we were extremely proud of our students who worked exceptionally hard throughout all 5 sessions, picking up key topics areas and revision tips. They left feeling highly motivated for the final stretch before the final exams. A big thank you to Miss Kirk for organising the trip and to Miss Hill for driving the minibus.



MUSIC TRIP TO LONDON by Keira Martin - Year 9

It is not often that students and staff will give up their half term for an educational trip, however, Hyde Park, the Natural History Museum and the Royal Albert Hall, all in one day, was just too much for forty students and five accompanying staff to ignore. On Wednesday 31st of May, a group of 45 students and staff visited Kensington in London. The coach dropped us off outside the Royal Albert Hall and the Royal College of Music which were both beautiful buildings. We walked to Hyde Park and ate our lunch which was very enjoyable relaxing, feeding the ducks and being entertained by the Year 7s amazing gymnastics on the grass.

Next stop was the Natural History Museum where we had a great time exploring in our groups. We saw amazing things such as dinosaurs, mammals and experimented on how the human body reacts to different situations. At 4pm we changed and were ready for the concert at the Royal Albert Hall. But first, food! We walked in the hot afternoon to Garfunkel's passed the armed Police outside the French Embassy. We were served very quickly and efficiently and the waitresses told Miss Conlon and Mr Charlton how pleased they were with our manners and behaviour. We finally arrived at the Royal Albert Hall where we were all searched and then found our seats. The Royal Albert Hall was just amazing, so beautiful.

We saw a concert all about the music of Eric Whitacre and he was conducting the brilliant Royal Philharmonic Orchestra! The concert was spectacular, the staff and students thought that it was amazing. Personally, I thought it was really good that a variety of great pieces of music were played. In my opinion the last piece was the best as it involved the orchestra, the choir and the audience using an app on our phones. Also, I thought Eric Whitacre was great too and I could have just listened to his LA accent all evening.

Thank you so much to Mr Charlton for organising the trip and also the other members of staff who helped to make the trip great fun and made us feel safe.



Catch Up Calendar

What's on in the weeks ahead!

JUNE 2017

- 23rd - 26th: Paris Trip
- 23rd: Inset Day
- 28th: Year 4 and 5 Masterclasses
- 28th: Adventure Week Meeting (6pm, Drama Studio)
- 28th: New Parents' Information Evening - Fort Hill Students (6.30pm, Business Centre)
- 29th: Non-Catchment Taster Day
- Friday 30th: Leavers' Prom

JULY 2017

- 4th and 5th: School Production
- 6th: Swimming Gala
- 6th and 7th: Transition Days
- Friday 7th: Monitor Day
- 10th - 14th: Adventure Week (Year 7)
- 12th: Parents' Evening For New Entrants (Year 6)
- 13th and 14th: Enrichment Days
- 20th: Day of Sport
- 22nd: 50th Birthday Celebration
- 25th: Last Day of Term

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