



Cranbourne Catch Up

CBEC's Biweekly Newsletter

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DAY 10 - BRITISH VALUES

Reports by CBEC students!

On the recent Day 10 we had the opportunity to learn about British Values, and we took a mock "British Citizenship Test". It was interesting to find out new facts about the country that we live in, as well as what it takes to become a British Citizen. Throughout the day, we worked together with other year groups in vertical tutor groups. This was something new for us to take part in and it was an interesting and enjoyable experience. We got the chance to discuss the topic with a new group of people, and also got to create our own "CBEC Citizenship Test". The day finished with a 'Great British Quiz' that was completed back in our regular tutor groups. Overall, this was a fascinating day and we had a lot of fun doing these different activities.

By Sara Al-Soodi, Angelle Gallein and Mosope Ajegbomogun

On 15th January, Cranbourne mixed the year 7 to 10 groups around, five students from each year. The day was about British Values and the things that make us British. The day started as usual, in normal tutor bases, then at 9.00 the new groups went to their assigned rooms. We started by watching videos on



British citizenship and the London Olympics opening ceremony. We then went on to look at notes about the UK; things such as Parliament, immigration and religion.

The students then made posters of British values, working together to make a list of things that make us British and what is common in our society, with ideas including complaining about traffic and batter on our food. In Miss Shaw's group, three girls (Amy Matthews, Charlotte Duggan and Jodie Upton) made up a rap about being British.

After learning and discussing British values, students took a British citizenship test to see how much they had learned. It was interesting to see how much people know about the culture we live in.

Zac from 10JF said: "It's a good idea to mix years but it was a bit awkward at first as not everyone is as social as they would be with their friends."

The younger years seemed more comfortable with interacting as a team with older students. Harvey, 7JS, said: "It was nice as other tutors and year groups got to mix and work together." He thought it would be a good idea to do this again.

At the end of the day the tutors rejoiced after the hard day of work about our culture to sit down and enjoy the time together.

By Megan Buchanan, Anna Higgins and Ryan Milward

Dear Parents/Carers,

It was excellent to see so many parents at our Year 11 Parents' Evening. The research shows, very clearly, that students achieve better results when schools and parents work closely together. Therefore, the opportunity to have face to face conversations with you is invaluable!

This week we have Year 10 Parents' Evening and, again, we are hoping to meet as many of you as possible from 5.00pm to 7.30pm. If you are struggling to make appointments with any of your child's teachers please contact the CPP office who will be happy to help you. Parents' Evenings for Years 7, 8 and 9 are coming up so please make sure you have these dates in your diary.

We are very keen to hear from any parent who might be interested in becoming a Governor. Please contact the Clerk to the Governing Body - Mrs Birtles - via email on c.birtles@cranbourne.hant.sch.uk or my PA - Mrs Sayers - on telephone, 01256 868605, for more information on this very rewarding role.

Following their success in the first round of the National Debating Competition our current debating team were invited to visit Ascot to listen to Charles Crawford, from the Home Office, deliver a fascinating talk about how to write and deliver a speech. We wish the team well this Thursday when they travel to Eton for the next round. Whatever the result the team have had some amazing experiences by taking part in the competition. I think we would all agree that public speaking is a life skill.

I am sure you will have read in the press the national shortages facing the teaching profession and the challenges facing schools to recruit quality teachers. With this in mind the Federation has had a stall at two recruitment Fairs recently in both Portsmouth and Aldershot. The result has been some excellent responses and we are extremely hopeful that this transpires into some excellent appointments.

Yours faithfully,

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KEY STAGE 3 FOOTBALL

On Monday 18th January the KS3 Football team went to QMC to take part in a football tournament arranged by Hampshire FA. With Poi Jones and Libby Stratton captaining, the girls got off to a good start, warming up thoroughly and completing some practises whilst waiting for their first game. The first opponent was Costello - the girls had a shaky start due to experience but then grew in confidence particularly in defence, although eventually they lost 1-0. The girls were next up against Everest and they pulled together and won 3-0. Next up were Aldworth who had not lost a game throughout the tournament, so CBEC knew it was going to be a tough game. The girls fought hard for the entire game, pressuring every ball



and working well in attack so they managed to pull a 0-0 draw! Finally the girls were up against Testbourne. At this point they were beginning to get cold in the winter conditions so they were slower at reacting to play and they unfortunately lost 2-1. Well done to Libby, Poi, Caitlin, Elysia, Paige, Amber, Olivia, Jasmine and Niamh!

YEAR 11 PARENTS EVENING

Thank you to everyone who attended this month's Year 11 Parents Evening. With really high attendance, it was great to see both parents and students keen and eager to find out what they needed to do in preparation for the summer series exams. Many parents left the evening happy with the conversations they had with staff and now have a clearer understanding of what the students need to do between now and their exams in the summer term.

SWIMMING SUCCESS AT LOCAL GALA EVENT

Year 7 student, Lily Martin, has recently taken part in a local swimming gala which left her with a medal to proudly show off to friends and family. Lily came 4th in both races she took part in, as part of her swimming club's participation in the gala.

Lily is a keen swimmer who participates in water polo every Friday and then swims with Blue Fins every Sunday, who hold their classes at Cranbourne's swimming pool.

Lily said: "On the day we first had a warm up in the pool and then we sat on the sides while we waited for our races to start. I came fourth in both my races; the first one I swam in 30 seconds and the second one I swam in 50 seconds. I swam the front crawl and breast stroke.

"It was very tough but it was enjoyable. I'd like to say to other children that are interested in joining a swimming club that swimming on Sundays is tough – especially when we do it in clothes for practice! – but it is definitely worth it." Well done, Lily!



Catch Up Calendar

What's on in the weeks ahead!

January 2016

- **Wednesday 27th:** Year 10 Parents Evening
- **Friday 29th:** Inset Day

February 2016

- **Thursday 4th:** Intermediate Maths Challenge
- **Wednesday 10th:** Year 8 Parents Evening
- **Monday 15th - Friday 19th:** HALF TERM

March 2016

- **Wednesday 2nd:** Year 9 Options Evening
- **Wednesday 9th:** Year 6 Parents Evening, 6.30pm
- **Wednesday 16th:** Year 9 Parents evening
- **Wednesday 23rd:** Year 7 Parents Evening



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