SHENLEY BROOK END SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

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Welcome

What an exciting time at the school.

Just as our new year groups have settled into their respective studies we are already looking forward to next year! It was lovely to see so many familiar faces at our recent Year 7 Open Evening for next

DIARY DATES		
DATE	EVENT	
8 Nov	Y9 - Y11 Horizons Royal Marines Visibility Day	
11 Nov	Y12 & Y13 English in Action	
	Y7 - Y13 Equalities Anti-Bullying Conference	
	Y7 - Y13 Remembrance Assemblies	
12 Nov	Spain Residential Information Evening	
13 Nov	Y7 - Y13 School Production Piecing Together Day	
14 Nov	Sixth Form Open Evening	
	Y12 & Y13 Film Studies Trip to La La Land	
	Y12 GIV Project Interviews	
	Y12 Sixth Form Safe Drive Stay Alive Trip	
	Y9 & Y10 WRL Niftylift Women in Engineering Trip	
	Y9 Life Skills Oakhill Presentation	
15 Nov	Whole School Student Voice Summit	
	Y8 & Y9 WRL Network Rail Tomorrows Engineer	
	Y9 & Y10 PE Girls Handball Qualifier	
18 - 22 Nov	Whole School Production Rehearsal Week	
18 Nov	Y9 English ESU Speaking Competition	
20 Nov	Y12 & Y13 Business Studies Trip to Jaguar Land Rover	
21 Nov	Y11 Parents' Evening	
	Y12 & Y13 Maths Senior Challenge	
	Y12 & Y13 Sixth Form Debating Competition	
	Y13 Interview Support Workshop for Oxford and Cambridge	

September (as well as so many new parents and potential students) and we are ready to welcome exiting and new parents and Year 11 students to our Sixth Form Open Evening on 14 November from 6pm.

It was wonderful to see so many of our Year 7 students participating in Dig-It, participating with gusto; a real joy for everyone who came.

I hope you enjoy this newsletter.

C Holmwood Headteacher

MUSIC NEWS

Dig It!

We are very proud of all the Year 7 students (over 140 of them) who performed in Dig It! a musical by Jacobson and Emerson to a full theatre, ably accompanied by the House Band. Before the singing of Dig It! the very appreciative audience enjoyed some accomplished and mature trumpet, violin, trumpet, French horn, piano and drum kit solos provided by some brave young musicians. Congratulations, everybody, on a spirited, vibrant and musical performance!



We have another lively, busy, performance-packed half term ahead of us in the music department. Here's a small taster of some of the events keeping our talented musicians occupied:

MUSIC EVENTS DIARY

DATE/TIME	EVENT	
Mon 11 November	Remembrance assemblies	
26th, 27th & 28th November	School Production - Annie - Tickets on TicketSource	4
Thur 12 December	Local primary schools join us for a musical celebration	
Mon 19 December	Carol Concert at Christ the Cornerstone. 7pm	
Thurs 20 December	Jazz Band entertain quizzers	

For more details of any of these events, and more, please do follow us on twitter: @SBE_Music

SIXTH FORM NEWS

Northampton University and Apprenticeship fair

Venue – very new Northampton University Riverside Campus

On Tuesday 15 October we took 144 students to this fair as we want our year 12 students to start to think about their future as early on in their sixth form career as possible. For example, certain degrees and apprenticeships require specific entry grades and so, by talking to different universities or different apprenticeship providers, students will have a better idea of what they need to achieve to get to where they want.

We will survey the 144 students that attended to get their opinion; but we hope that, from the Sixth Form Team's perspective, our students found it helpful in enabling them to start to think about the future.

Mr Greenhalgh Director of Sixth Form









SIXTH FORM NEWS Cont.

Business and Finance Event

We were delighted to welcome professionals from Halifax, Ad Valorem Group, Metro Bank and Hayward Tyler to a Sixth Form networking event on Monday 21 October.

The event provided Sixth Form students with the opportunity to meet with professionals from the Business and Finance sector and gather information about career pathways.

The event was a great success with our visitors remarking that they were very impressed with our students whilst students themselves found the event hugely informative.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank Halifax, Ad Valorem Group, Metro Bank and Hayward Tyler for attending the event; their support of our school is greatly appreciated.

Sixth Form Open Evening



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ART NEWS

ARTiculation

A group of A level art students spent the day working with other schools in Milton Keynes Art gallery on the ARTiculation Discovery Day. This is a nationally acclaimed public speaking initiative to promote the appreciation and discussion of the visual arts. During the workshop the students studied the current George Stubbs exhibition then worked in groups on their public speaking skills to deliver their presentations in the gallery (whilst open to the public). They were also fortunate to interview Anthony Spira who is the Director at MK Gallery. He was really encouraging and offered each group helpful feedback. It was a pleasure to see our students being brave, conquering their nerves and delivering exciting presentations.

Ms Davies

ART NEWS Cont.

Trip to Tate Modern



On Friday 18 October a group of 20 A Level art and photography students went to London Galleries on a trip. During their time at the galleries the students gained valuable experience of a wide range of historically famous and contemporary artworks. The group was set a task to choose a specific piece of artwork that personally interested them, and produce an analysis and contextual essay about the work to present in class. The trip was successful and students really appreciated the experience of visiting and developing their knowledge of art. Mr Hall

A level Art Students working with Westcroft Surgery

In February last year we were approached by the Westcroft Surgery's Patient Participation Group to design a logo for them. We worked closely with its members to create an eye-catching and inclusive design to be used for a letter-board, poster and general logo. Together we created multiple designs, working as a group to find a common theme, image and colour scheme we thought would work well. Yash Rathod then turned this into digital designs which we presented back to the surgery. It was a pleasure to see now how our work had effected their group and also taught us about working as a team and towards a real life brief.

Poppy Chown Yr 13



OTHER NEWS

Exams Matter!

External examinations may occasionally be taken by students in a subject which is not taught as a part of Shenley Brook End School's curriculum; parents/students are asked to get in touch with the Exams Office as soon as possible if such an entry is required. These entries are usually for, but not limited to, language examinations, particularly if a student is fluent in another language.

The school reserves the right to make the final recommendation on the qualifications for which entries will be made. Whilst the school is pleased to make such entries for students, preparation for the examination is the responsibility of the student.

Parents/students are asked to ensure that requests for non-curriculum language examinations are made by 19 December 2019 and for any other subjects by 17 January 2020; it will not be possible to consider requests received beyond the dates given.

If a parent/student is requesting entry for a language examination, there will be an after school meeting in January 2020 (further details to be provided in due course) to allow staff from the languages team and exams office to speak to parents/students about the school's expectations of students in terms of preparing for their examinations – both written and spoken.

PE News

Mrs M Bayliss, Exams Officer

Miss K Froggitt, Team Leader for Modern Foreign Languages

Sports Presentation Awards

Has your son/daughter competed at county, regional or national level in a sporting activity that the school does not participate in? Please send details to Mr Doyle (sdoyle@sbeschool.org.uk) for the consideration of the PE team.

