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Welcome to another edition of our annual magazine. There is no doubt that as I get older the years seem to go with increasing rapidity and it is hard to believe that twelve months have passed so quickly.

WELCOME

As usual when I reflect on the past year, I am reminded of all of the good that has happened.

When I think of the autumn term I think of the wonderful pantomime by our Drama Scholars. I think of the excellent carol service and the warm and friendly music concerts. I am also reminded that my vocabulary has expanded, I found out the meaning of the word 'onesie', and I ended up wearing a giraffe onesie at our Prefects' Christmas Dinner!

In January we welcomed our Taiwanese visitors, who marvelled at how interactive lessons in an English school are, and they never cease to be amazed by the sight of an open fire. This is less surprising when one considers that most Taiwanese live in high rise apartments!

Our children continue to raise funds for many charities and our annual charity walk days have now become very much a part of Bethany life. We are very privileged to live in an environment which some call "The Bethany Bubble." I was therefore humbled when the Sixth Form approached me with their idea for a School day, which they called 'Poverty Day' in March. During the course of that day the School had no electricity or heat. Then, using a raffle ticket system, ten per cent of the pupils were allowed to have an English roast with all the trimmings, whilst the remaining ninety percent had to settle for soup and rice pudding and they sat on the floor. In excess of 1110kg of textiles were brought into School and then sent to a recycling scheme in exchange for funds. Toys were also donated to a Cambodian orphanage. The whole Bethany community became far more informed about world poverty as a result.

The Summer term started slowly but as the weather improved so did the frequency of our sports fixtures. We performed very well and there isn't a nicer place to be on this planet than our campus on a glorious summer's day.

The academic results were once again very encouraging and practically all our A-Level pupils are going on to their preferred choice of university, once again, there was a very high proportion of A* - B grades.

Not to be outdone, our GCSE pupils achieved very good results and practically all of them are doing the A-Level subjects of their choice. I very often get asked by prospective parents what Bethany is good at. They often expect the standard answer such as: academic results, Art, Drama, Music, etc. I reply that our specialism is children, as it is only through knowing each child as an individual that one can properly recognise his or her strengths and areas that require further development. Whilst it's nice to be important it is more important to be nice. Bethany pupils are some of the nicest people I have had the privilege of meeting and working with, fostered by the ethos of the School and helped considerably by our parent body which is incredibly supportive.

I was delighted that we were able to substantially upgrade the facilities in the Orchard and Old Poplars, thus setting the standard to be rolled out to other houses. This year also saw our first pupils from Cambodia and Equatorial New Guinea arrive at Bethany and I hope that this will be the start of a long tradition.

If there was one single highlight then perhaps it has got to be Henry Olonga at Speech Day entertaining everyone with his excellent oratory. His message was potent and we all came away knowing that we owe it to ourselves and our families to make sure that we take the maximum advantage of the many opportunities that Bethany offers.

I would also like to pay particular thanks to the Board of Governors who give up their time voluntarily and support the School so well. The camaraderie and friendship that are so evident in our classrooms, our staff meetings and various pupil councils are also very obvious in all of the Board of Governor meetings.

I would like to thank you all most sincerely for your continued support of me personally which is a source of great strength and reassurance. There are many articles in this magazine which I hope you will enjoy reading. Finally I would like to thank our Marketing Manager, Mrs Clare Sender for co-ordinating this publication.



*Francie Healy
Headmaster*

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TODMANS



It doesn't seem like a year has passed since I wrote my last report on Todmans: time certainly flies by in the Junior House.



NO. OF PUPILS: 50
HOUSE VICE CAPTAINS: Joshua Hill, William Cunningham and James Golding



Common Room

The Common Room was added to during the course of the year, with new sofas and pictures being purchased. Further games were bought for the Wii and the X-Box, and the new blue pool table proved hugely popular. The whole room looks entirely unrecognisable from the old Science lab we inherited four years ago.

Farewell

We lost Mrs Shier for a couple of months during 2013 as she disappeared off for a hip replacement, parts I and II. We were lucky to be able to welcome Mr Tague into the fold and he looked after Mrs Shier's tutor group admirably. I'm delighted to say that Mrs Shier returned, fit as a fiddle and ready to chase her tutor group again.

At the end of the year, we were sorry to say *au revoir* to Mr Richard as he moved to another school and to Miss Rayner as she moved to the netherworld that is Kendon. Mr Cooper, Mrs Shier and I live to fight another day, however, and we'll be back in September. I'd like to thank all of the tutors for all of their work during the year. Thanks I was unable to give in person at the end of the summer term as someone had forced me to go on the Barbados cricket tour (shocking, I know, but someone had to go). The tutors were given sterling support by William Seys, our senior prefect, who managed the team of Sixth Form monitors brilliantly. Finally, I'd like to thank my splendid bunch of captains – James Golding, William Cunningham and Joshua Hill – who set a fantastic example to everyone throughout the whole year.

William Seys
Head Prefect

A nearly-new team of tutors eagerly awaited the arrival of the new Year 7 pupils for the Induction Day at the start of September, with Mrs Shier and Mr Richard added to the 'old hands' Mr Cooper and Miss Rayner. It soon became clear that the new bunch of Year 7s were hugely enthusiastic and full of joie de vivre (as Mr Richard might have pointed out).

Charities Day

The annual Charities Day walk in Bedgebury Forest was a great success, raising £1271 to share between our three charities: Cancer Research, Help for Heroes and the Kent Air Ambulance. I'm delighted to be able to say that this is a record for Todmans. Nearly everybody contributed something, and there were some huge personal donations: James Golding, James Clarke, Cameron Manchester, Max Sephton Lea and Deacon Gray all contributed sums greater than £75; a great effort. A couple of weeks later, we were visited by Richard, a paramedic with the Air Ambulance, who gave an assembly on the work that he does and how our money would help.

Party Time

This year will, sadly, be remembered as the year we didn't quite manage to have a Christmas Party: time and the busy Bethany schedule defeated us in December and the rearranged version in February was equally defeated by the snow. I have, however, already booked the date for 2013, so hopefully this will be the last Christmas disaster!

If the Christmas Party was disastrous, it was at least made up for by the Easter Meal, an event we shared with the Old Poplar juniors. We enthusiastically took over the entire Marden Tandoori (with the exception of one table in the corner, at which sat a lovely family who perhaps ended up wishing they'd gone out to dinner just an hour or so later that night). Owing to a certain Housemaster's close relationship with the management (there's every chance I represent about 50% of their profit margin...), we had a special deal that gave pupils an excellent choice of dishes for a very reasonable price. A good night was had by all.

FUNDRAISING

TODMANS RAISED

£1271

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CANCER RESEARCH

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KENDON



Following the last year which saw a wholesale change in staffing across Kendon House, this year was the opposite, offering the opportunity to build on the success reported at the end of last year by Freddie Raishbrook. However, one significant change was the move of all Year 12 day boys to the Orchard. This left the boarding Sixth Form as the only seniors in Kendon. It was clear from the number of those now in the Orchard that returned regularly over the year that Kendon remained close to the hearts of those who had moved on.



NO. OF PUPILS:

58

MONITORS:

Luke Kavanagh, Daniel Blewett,
Henry Bonaert, Steven Yam.,

HOUSE CAPTAIN:

Nat Marshall

The diversity of nations represented in Kendon continued and was a real strength of the boarding house. While there were no German or Swiss boarders this year we did add Ukraine, Cambodia, Korea and France to the list of nationalities who all lived in Kendon as boarders.



Victory

Even with only five senior boarders in Kendon we made a significant mark on the year. Involvement in sport and all areas of school life was evident from the senior boys throughout the year. Rugby, football, cricket, basketball, Young Enterprise, the Apprentice Challenge, raising money on Speech Day, maintaining excellent grades, mentoring boys in Todmans and much, much more were all enjoyed by the five of us. Highlights would have to be the 8-0 victory over Pengelly in the annual football match, Henry Bonaert in Public Speaking Competitions, Daniel Blewett winning the Sports Cup for the greatest contribution to School Sport this year and making it to the final two in the Apprentice Challenge.



Football Fun

As the Captain of the Kendon football team this year, I would like to thank the House for their support in arranging the kit through to coming out on the Firs and cheering us on. This year's match was of particular significance with Mr and Mrs Hollman (long serving Housemaster and his wife in Kendon) retiring in July. It was for this reason that we arranged the awarding of the Hollman Cup for the first time. I have great memories of Kendon under the management of Mr Hollman and wish him and Mrs Hollman the best of luck in their retirement.

Amazing

This year has been an amazing year and looking at the success of the younger boarders I know that, as sad as it is to move out to The Orchard next year, Kendon will continue to thrive with the boys left behind taking up the mantle. Next year's Year 10 have a genuine sporting talent, while Year 11 have real academic ability and will demonstrate this with impressive GCSE results I am sure. The new Year 9 boys, will have all this to live up to. I wish all those in Kendon next year the same amount of success that the seniors have enjoyed this year.

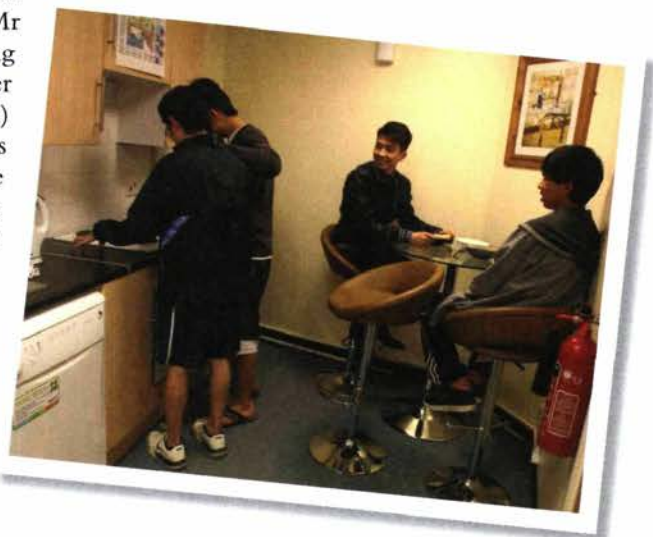
Continuing On

Kendon continued to have improvements throughout the year and the common spaces are now much more comfortable. Karen and Kevin were an ever present support to the boys in Kendon and it was on the coldest mornings that we appreciated this most, when returning to Kendon for a hot chocolate.

Thank You

Finally, I would like to thank Mr Sturrock and the tutor team for the support of all the boarders and day students over the year. They are always willing to offer help when it is needed and this is greatly appreciated by those who are in Kendon.

Nat Marshall
House Captain





THE MOUNT



I can't believe another year has gone by so quickly. We have seen some changes to the House Staff and were happy to welcome Mr. Atkey, Miss Mills and Mrs Hallett.



NO. OF PUPILS:	47
MONITORS:	Luke Hosking, Tony Le, Tee Jay Dervish-Hussein, Daanish Riaz
HEAD OF HOUSE:	Luke Shaw
DEP. HEAD OF HOUSE:	Ryan Askew

Mr Atkey took over as Assistant Housemaster at the beginning of the year. We've enjoyed our many takeaways and being able to relax in the house with him. He will be missed but we look forward to the return of Mr Mourey – a legend.

🌀 Welcome 🌀

Miss Mills also came in at the beginning of the year as one of the Year 11 Tutors. She has not had the pleasure of tutoring me but from what I've heard she's been a fantastic Tutor. She leaves us to go to Todmans but we're sure she won't be able to resist the allure of The Mount forever!

🌀 Thank You 🌀

There are not enough pages to describe how wonderful Joyce was in her role as Housekeeper. Whilst we all miss her she may not miss the smell of our dirty laundry! Mandy had an extremely hard act to follow but guess what – she's managed to fill her shoes perfectly, even getting Luke Hosking's tea ready for him at break each day!

🌀 Our Talent 🌀

We have discovered this year that many Mounties are talented actors and musicians and have contributed hugely to the success of drama productions and music concerts. Not only do we have actors but our Sportsmen have done their fair share on the sports field.

🌀 Co-Chairman 🌀

I was privileged to be co-chairman with Kate Luxford for the joint Mount and Old Poplars' Christmas party Committee. The cross-year committee came up with the theme 'The Movies' which thankfully was a success. I would like to say an enormous thank you to everyone on the committee and to Nicholas Brockwell for doing a great job as DJ. It was a great party; one to remember with nearly every day pupil and boarder attending.

🌀 Out And About 🌀

Throughout the year the house has experienced various outings in the evenings. These ranged from a trip to the Marden Curry House, to Priscilla Queen of the Desert at Tunbridge Wells Assembly Hall Theatre. For those of you who don't know, this is about 3 male friends travelling the Australian Outback dressed as women. It was an eye opener for me! We have also enjoyed trips to the cinema to see Star Trek and The Purge.



We came back from the Easter Holidays to find The Mount had received a minor refurbishment with a new carpet, new paintwork and lovely new furniture. It has brightened the whole house and given it a new atmosphere.



Our beer tent did well at Speech Day, the various ales from Westerham Brewery no doubt fuelling the Dads watching the Lions game!

Towards the end of the summer term Mrs Khan gave the boarders a lesson on how to make their own pizzas, and Mr Khan took the boarders to Hastings for an evening by the seaside, together with the whole tutor team.

So a busy year ends and we are all looking forward to what 2013-14 brings.

Luke Shaw
Head of House





OLD POPLARS



This year in Old Poplars has been a big one, and the most challenging. More than half the girls in the house were new, which included girls from Spain, Germany and China, but they settled in quickly making close friends with others during their very first week. As everyone slowly got used to the new routine, things started to liven up, most girls who could not speak a word of English quickly picked it up within a couple of months.

NO. OF PUPILS:	86
HEAD OF HOUSE:	Lydia Healy
VICE:	Connie Dervish-Hussein
HOUSE CAPTAIN:	Bobbie Dervish-Hussein



Farewell

Unfortunately, we lost a couple of girls after Easter, but this didn't stop the rest of us and we all got down to our studying as our exams were finally here. The stress started to build up within everyone, but this was then sorted out with the help and support of the Old Poplars' staff: Mrs Wareham, Miss Boyle and Miss Wood.

We ended the year with the Old Poplars' girls going for a meal at Cosmo, this gave everyone a chance to say good bye to each other; there were some tears and laughter and we enjoyed it thoroughly.

I've been in Old Poplars for 4 years and I would have to say this year has been the most eventful. Being Head of House has taught me a lot, and I have gained some very special memories within my 4 years in Old Poplars which I will carry with me for a life time. I think everyone in the house would agree with me that the sense of community we have is outstanding, and the amount of respect we have for each other is great. I know without a doubt that this is one thing which will stay the same when I'm not there. I have made a lot of friendships in Old Poplars which I hope I will keep forever.

Bobbie Dervish-Hussein
House Captain

The year started off with a charity walk with different years going to different places and doing different distances. Old Poplars' girls alone managed to raise over £1000, this was split between two charities close to the hearts of two Year 11 girls.

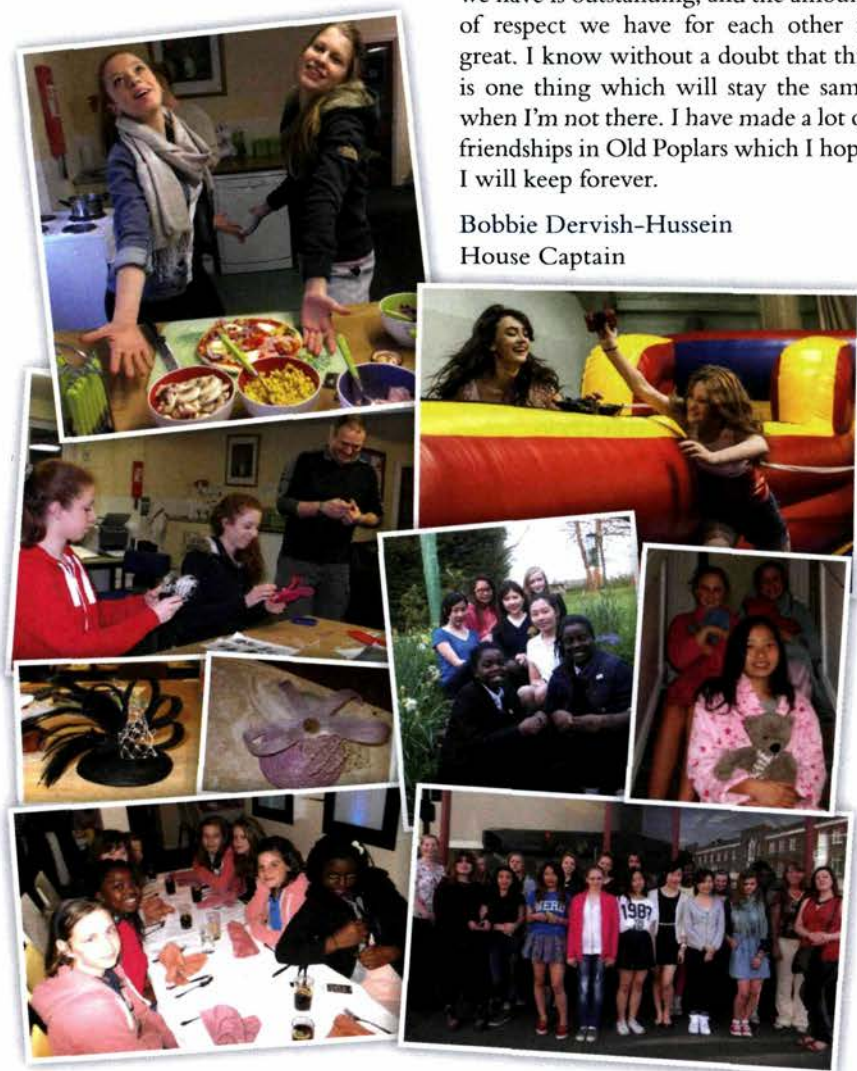
Festivities

Old Poplars' girls had a joint Christmas dinner. The theme was "someone from a movie." This included a three course meal which went down very well. We then came to Valentine's Day, which was celebrated in a new way. People became excited this year as we found out that we could send roses and chocolates to our secret Valentine; this was a nervous time for us, all hoping we would receive a rose from our secret admirers!



We then came to the Easter dinner which brought the whole boarding community together. This year's theme was Royal Ascot. Old Poplars' girls had ordered their own kits to make fascinators, and we sat together as a house which was fun to do.

When we came back from Easter a lot more of the house had been renovated, including new carpets, redecoration in the bedrooms and lobby and an extra corridor with new stairs added. This made a lot of the girls in the house happy as the house was starting to come alive once more, and had gained a modern look.





PENGELLY



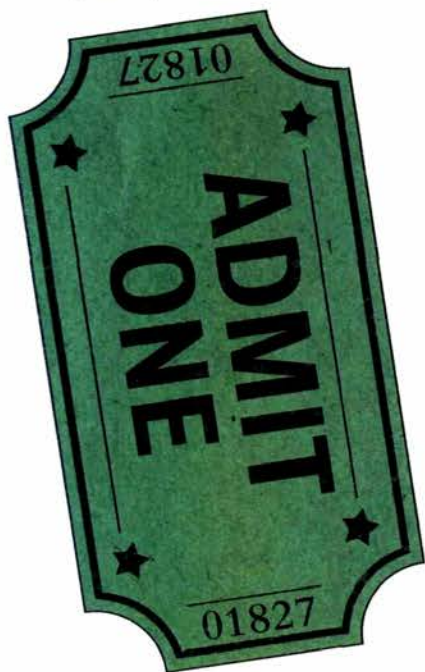
his year was Mr Hughes' first year as Housemaster and along with Mr Grant and Mr Stubberfield he enjoyed a busy, exciting and enjoyable time in Pengelly. The boarders were a very active and spirited group who lit up the house and made Pengelly life fun and interesting.

NO. OF PUPILS:	52
HEAD OF HOUSE:	James Loxley
DEPUTY:	Mike Chiu

In addition to both the bathrooms being completely refurbished, the building has been treated to a redecorated and uplifted common room which has proved to be a popular place for the pupils to socialise and spend time in.

🎉 Celebrating 🎉

Throughout the year we have had lots of time together, celebrating birthdays, Christmas and Chinese New Year when the pupils and staff enjoyed going to a restaurant together to mark the occasions. There has been a sense of pride in the house for boarders and day pupils, the support and energy channelled into the annual Kendon versus Pengelly football match was fantastic. Sadly we lost to Kendon but will strive for victory next year.



🎉 Trips 🎉

Pengelly has enjoyed trips out throughout the year from shopping trips to adventure parks to watching the Harlequins play. Cinema trips have also been a firm favourite.

🎉 Big Brother 🎉

Mr Hughes' family have been involved in Pengelly life and Lily especially has enjoyed spending time in the house and often beams with enthusiasm about having so many "big brothers". The latest addition to the Hughes family, Lucy, was warmly welcomed by all.

🎉 Bethany's Got Talent 🎉

Pengelly has shown a real sense of identity and has enjoyed attending Bethany's Got Talent to support Mr Stubberfield's entertaining rendition of a Robbie Williams number. Throughout the year there has been lots of Mr Hughes' BBQ's for the members of the house, which are always a good opportunity to have great fun and spend time together.

🎉 Best Wishes 🎉

May all of the best wishes for the future go to the boys who have now moved on from Pengelly, and we are looking forward to another successful year.





THE ORCHARD



Another year flew past in The Orchard House, and students spread their wings, jumped from the nest and headed off to pastures new including universities, the world of work or on a gap year in far flung corners of the globe. We hope they have departed with many fond memories from their final year at Bethany and in the House; the staff certainly enjoyed their company and many events will last in the memory for some time.



NO. OF PUPILS: 99
HOUSE COMMITTEE: Hande Coskunvarder, Edward Kendall
and Martin Richards

The House was refurbished with a state of the art kitchen, café zone and TV snug, along with the modernisation of the laundry room and small kitchen. A small House gym also proved very popular with girls and boys alike. This all made for a very special year in our new facilities which certainly helped to develop a community spirit.



What's Cooking

Cooking was now a fun pastime, especially Mrs Gale's pudding evenings, along with socialising over a splendid cup of hot chocolate or coffee in the café zone.

The common room was next on the hit list for redecoration, and felt the full force of the students as they picked up their paint brushes and attacked the walls; no longer did the room represent a dentist's waiting room, but a cosy three tone design that had evolved from the DIY SOS. Congratulations to Will Seys, Jeannie Chai, Beatrice Fischer, An Vu, Bethany Ward, Karlie Cheng and Claudia Lam who did particularly well with brushes in their hands.

Bowling, cinema trips and meals out were popular events, and gave time for many to relax away from the pressures of work. Mr Payne's BBQ nights were always very popular, providing a good time to catch up with friends and while away an evening.



The Christmas meal turned into a night of good food, fine conversation and laughter, laced with a sprinkling of tinsel, which set us all up for a fine festive holiday.

The beginning of the Spring term also brought the snow, and the challenge was set to construct Mr and Mrs Snow. Angus Sutton, Patrick Cotter and Allen Imegwu certainly took on the challenge with enthusiasm and cold hands. By mid-afternoon, two six foot snow beings had pride of place in The Orchard garden, how sweet! They, of course, could not resist a good snow ball fight! Edward Kendall put together the first edition of the Orchard Cryer, and continued to wov all with his knowledge of political conflict, he often received letters from members of parliament outlining why a decision had been made; the letters were read out with pride! As the daffodils emerged the focus turned to study and exams, but there was still enough time for a few more BBQ's, a trip to the seaside and games evenings to crown the master of Connect 4 once and for all!

The House also enjoyed a night at the races, Ascot style, at the Easter boarders dinner. The Sixth Form Ball was again a roaring success with Mr Davies' band rocking the night away.



So we came to the end of Year 13 and enjoyed a wonderful champagne breakfast in the House on the morning of Speech Day. It was time to wish many friends, old and new the very best for the future, and venture to pastures new with confidence and pride in all we had learnt at Bethany.





INTER HOUSE COMPETITIONS

Inter House Team Building Afternoon

All pupils gathered in the Assembly Hall for a somewhat fast-paced team building afternoon on the first Friday of term. After a speedy briefing staff were ready at their stations to welcome teams put together across the year groups. Tasks ranged from getting themselves into birthday order without using any words, to the timeless game of eating chocolate with a knife, fork and gloves which caused much hilarity! Students also made 'things' out of spaghetti and marshmallows. Inexplicably, though each group had 25 marshmallows to work with, no finished model boasted more than 15! Another task was to take a long horizontal bamboo cane, raise it to shoulder height and then put it on the floor. Not so easy with twenty four hands touching the underside of it.



Finally students were asked to design a poster, with no writing, which they could attach to the outside of a satellite that would travel into space and hopefully be found by a distant civilisation in thousands of years. Everyone threw themselves whole-heartedly into the afternoons activities and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. It is safe to say most people probably made a new friend, or were able to get to know some of the older and younger pupils better.

The Head's Challenge

This was won by an article written by Jack Wells, in Year 9. He justified his belief that the iPad Band would be the next big craze. A bonus prize for effort was given to Thomas Connell, in Year 7, who entered five times! The results gave three house points each to Speakers and Roberts, and two points to Kiplings.

KRS Public Speaking Competition

The standard of entries were as high as in previous competitions. Teams of four speakers from each competitive house were encouraged and introduced by their Captain. Students are not allowed to use visual aids and must speak from prepared notes only. Each student spoke on the prepared topic of their choice for a designated length of time and topics covered a wide variety of arguments as shown below.



Kiplings Team Captain: William Seys. Year 7: George Gear – PE; Year 8/9: Jess Daubeny – Facebook; Intermediate: Charlie Oliver – Fuel crisis; Senior: Tom Frank – Internet censorship.

Roberts Team Captain: Georgina Marland. Year 7: Samuel Tate – The Benefits of shooting to employment and the environment; Year 8/9: Alex Wareham – Adults know best; Intermediate: Samuel Robinson – Apple vs. Microsoft; Senior: Heather Moradeyo – The death of reality TV.

Speakers Team Captain: Angus Sutton. Year 7: Joe Ferguson – Sportsmanship; Year 8/9, Daniel Davies – Famous dyslexics; Intermediate: Louis Beneventi – What it means to be normal; Senior: Edward Kendall – Great Britain.

The winners were George Gear, Alex Wareham, Louis Beneventi and Heather Moradeyo. The overall House winner was Roberts, making it the fourth successive win in this competition and it was worth 30 house points. Second was Kiplings and, ironically, Speakers was third.

Gravity Cart Results

1st prize was awarded to the design team of Leo Rossouw and Jude Campbell with Jude as the driver. Their cart travelled a distance of 25.22m.



In 2nd place was Alex Monk, and out of the two runs his best was 25.14m.

In 3rd place was William Seys who's best distance was 24.44m.

The following points for participation were awarded: Kiplings, 4 carts and 25 points, Roberts, 4 carts and 25 points, Speakers 1 cart and 10 points. The best looking cart design was not judged this year due to all the carts re-using major parts from 2011. Overall the points awarded were Kiplings = 55 points, Roberts = 55 points and Speakers = 10 points.



Tug Of War



Team work was the order of the day when staff and students met in the Sports Hall for the annual Tug of War Challenge. Whether old or young, the Tug

of War required students and staff to work together. The Student Leaders had spent days signing up volunteers, arranging and re-arranging teams until the balance of fit, strong, feeble and energetic was as desired. The Staff team was very enthusiastic; hours and hours of training paid off as they put their much discussed strategies into action. Students proved that advice, if shouted loudly enough, will eventually get through, as they encouraged their teams at the rope. Mr Payne worked hard to keep order but sometimes had to settle for the teams falling over at the same time.

Kiplings scraped a win from Speakers, and Roberts were the runners up, but it was very close. If the level of noise is an indicator of success then this was one of our best events ever!

The Famous Speeches Competition

In this competition students had to re-enact famous speeches from Historical figures. Nathaniel Desperles and William Osbourne won with their rendition of Martin Luther King's speech "I have a dream". This was followed by Cameron Manchester and Louis Beneventi with Robert Emmett's speech "May no man write my epitaph". Finally Jude Campbell and Haydn Payne recited Churchill's "We will fight them on the beaches" speech. This was a very dramatic competition which the audience enjoyed, and all participants won chocolates to reward their hard work. As a major competition this won 30 points for Kiplings, 20 for Roberts and 10 points for Speakers.



Bethany's Got Talent

Bethany's teaching staff revealed their talents to the student body, and parents, in Bethany's Got Talent. As a change from previous years, the outcome was decided by votes from the audience, guided by the witty comments of the judging panel, which consisted of Jonathan Whittome, Ellie Porter, Jessica Leaper and Nicky Richmond.

First on the programme was Miss Boyle's dramatic performance of Ophelia from Hamlet. This was followed by Mr Thorpe showcasing his hidden talent - playing the piano, which was interspersed with his famous witticisms and one-liners. Half-way through the evening we enjoyed music from a group made up of Mr Williams (drums), Dr Marks (guitar), and Sophie Marks (voice) who performed some firm favourites. The next performance was Mr Stubberfield's entertaining rendition of Robbie Williams' "Angels", which left the judges speechless. This was followed by Miss Johnson's fantastic recital of Adele's "Skyfall".



We were in for a treat when Mr Thomas played his unique musical instrument which sounded a little bit like a gamelan; it was magical. The grand finale consisted of Miss Harper, Miss Sanger, Miss Thompson, Mrs Gale and Mrs Chrysanthou (the surprise guest) performing stage-based synchronised swimming, including a surprise gangnam-style dance half-way through. The judges were right when they described this performance as "unforgettable" and "unexpected", and it is no surprise that they not only won, but were requested to perform an encore.



THIS YEAR'S JESSEL SHIELD WINNERS WERE SPEAKERS



Upper Sixth Leavers



OYINDA ALAJOGUN

A Levels: Photography, Design Technology, Mathematics
Next: Coventry, Business Information Technology



ALEXANDER CLAYDEN-SPENCE

A Levels: Chemistry, Mathematics, Physics
Awards: DofE: Bronze, Silver, Gold in progress, Merit in Drum Kit Grade 6
Prefect
Next: Leeds, Physics



GEORGE ALLEN

A Levels: BTEC PE, Applied Business Studies
1st XI Football
Next: Working in the Building Industry



SAM CORNICK

A Levels: Business Studies, Geography, Religious Studies
Awards: The Stobart Prize for Business Studies, DofE: Gold
1st XI Cricket
Next: East Anglia, Geography and International Development



CHARLIE BARRETT

A Levels: English Literature, Geography, History
Next: Essex, History and Criminology



HANDE COSKUNVARDAR

A Levels: Photography, Business Studies, German
Orchard House Committee
Next: UCA Canterbury, Art Foundation



LUKE BLANEY

A Levels: History, Applied Business Studies
Awards: The Ross Turnbull Prize for Service to the Community
Prefect
Next: Canterbury Christchurch, Business Computing



PATRICK COTTER

A Levels: Drama, History
Awards: The Roche Prize for Drama
 DofE: Bronze, Silver, Gold in progress, Distinction in Music Theatre Grade 8
Next: Gap Year

A fantastic school with a great atmosphere. ”



JEANNIE CHAI

A Levels: Mathematics, Business Studies, Geography, Chinese
Awards: The Humphrey Maxwell Memorial Prize for Excellence - Senior Geography
Prefect
Next: Washington DC, Geography



CONRAD CSERJEN

A Levels: Chemistry, Physics
Next: Employment

I will treasure my memories here. ”



ALLAN CHUNG

A Levels: Applied Business Studies, Mathematics, Chinese
Prefect, 1st Basketball
Next: Queen Mary's, Business Management



AMY FANG

A Levels: Mathematics, Further Mathematics, Physics, Chinese
Next: York, Economics



BEATRICE FISCHER

A Levels: Business Studies,
Textiles, German

Next: Studying in Germany



MAX FOOT

Next: MidKent College,
Computer Studies



JAMES FOUND

A Levels: Applied Business Studies,
BTEC PE

Awards: Nigel Kimber Cricket Cup,
Full colours - Cricket & Football,
Half Colours - Rugby

1st Team Cricket Captain,
1st XV Rugby, 1st XI Football

Next: Employment



TOM FRANK

A Levels: English Literature,
Religious Studies, History

Awards: The Royal Society of St George
Prize for Senior History, The James Hall
Memorial Prize for A Level Religious Studies

Prefect

Next: Exeter, History



JAMIE HAGERTY

A Levels: Applied Business Studies,
Geography

Awards: The Roger Kimber Prize for A
Level Geography, The Edward Hayward
Memorial Prize for Head of School, DofE:
Gold in progress, Half Colours - Rugby

Head of School, Prefect

1st XV Rugby, 1st XI Football

Next: Essex, Business Management



LYDIA HEALY

A Levels: English Literature, Textiles,
Food Technology

Awards: The Challenge Cup
for Good Citizenship

Prefect, Vice Head of Speakers,
Head of Old Poplars, DofE: Bronze

Next: Oxford Brookes,
Business and Management



SAMUEL HELESFAY

A Levels: BTEC PE,
Applied Business Studies

Awards: The Roy Farquarson Trophy for
Senior Sportsman, Lawrie Mann Trophy for
Rugby, Full Colours - Rugby & Football

Prefect, Captain 1st XI Football,
Captain 1st XV Rugby,
1st XI Cricket

Next: Employment



AMANDA HILL

A Levels: English, French,
Religious Studies

Awards: The McLaren English Prize,
The Fincham Cup & Prize for Strings,
The William Ruzzak Memorial Prize for
Deputy Heads, Full Colours - Hockey,
Half Colours - Netball, Distinction in
Singing Grade 8

Deputy Head of School, Prefect
1st XI Hockey

Next: Surrey, International Hospitality
Management

**Bethany has
made me who
I am today. ”**



ELIOT HUGHES

A Levels: Design Technology,
Media Studies, History

Prefect

Next: Manchester Metropolitan, Medieval
and Early Modern History



GEORGIA JACKSON

A Levels: BTEC PE, Textiles,
Media Studies

Awards: The Pippa Blackman Trophy
for excellence in Academic PE,
The Senior Sportswoman Prize,
Full Colours - Hockey & Netball,
Half Colours - Rounders

Prefect, 1st XI Hockey Captain,
1st IX Rounders

Next: West of England, Sports
Conditioning and Injury Management



MIKA JAEGER

A Levels: Textiles, Photography,
German, Geography

Next: Studying in Israel



EDWARD KENDALL

A Levels: English Literature, Religious Studies, History
Pengelly Society Secretary, Orchard House Committee
Next: Bangor, History



FRAN KENNEY

A Levels: Food Technology, History, Religious Studies
Awards: The Senior Food Technology Prize, Full Colours - Rounders, Half Colours - Hockey
Prefect
1st XI Hockey, 1st IX Rounders
Next: Liverpool, Egyptology



CONNOR KIRKBRIGHT

A Levels: Applied Business Studies, BTEC PE
Awards: Half Colours - Rugby & Football, 1st XV Rugby, 1st XI Football, 1st XI Cricket
Next: Employment



TOBY LANSDALE

A Levels: Applied Business Studies, Design Technology
Awards: The Breach Prize for Innovation, The Hooper's Applied Business Studies prize, Half Colours - Football
1st XI Football
Next: Working at Sevenoaks Prep



JESSICA LEAPER

A Levels: Media Studies, Spanish, Drama
Awards: The Senior Media Prize, The Spanish Prize, Full Colours - Hockey & Netball, Distinction in Music Theatre Grade 7
Prefect, Head of Speakers
1st XI Hockey, 1st IX Rounders
Next: Gap Year, followed by Chichester, Music with Musical Theatre



JEFF LO

A Levels: Media Studies, Chinese, Applied Business Studies
Next: Canterbury Christchurch, Marketing



TOM MAYNARD

A Levels: Business Studies, Design Technology, History
Awards: Half Colours - Rugby, 1st XV Rugby, 1st XI Football
Next: Solent, International Business Management



ELLIE OVENS

A Levels: Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics
Prefect
Next: Southampton, Chemistry



BETH PARROTT

A Levels: Biology, Chemistry, Religious Studies
Awards: The Biology Prize for A Level
Prefect
Next: Coventry, Dietetics



MAX PENN-HUGHES

A Levels: Physics, Geography, History
Prefect
Next: Gap Year



ELLIE PORTER

A Levels: Art, Textiles, Geography
Awards: The Textiles Prize
Prefect, Head of Roberts
Next: UCA Canterbury, Art Foundation



MARTIN RICHARDS

A Levels: Chemistry, Physics, Biology
Prefect, Orchard House Committee
Next: Romania, Medicine



NICKY RICHMOND

A Levels: Textiles, Religious Studies, History
Prefect, Head of Kiplings
Next: Sheffield, History



PAMELA ROBINSON

A Levels: Food Technology, Geography
Next: Kent College



PHILIP RYAN

A Levels: French, Applied Business Studies
Next: Newcastle, International Business Management



WILLIAM SEYS

A Levels: Applied Business Studies, Design Technology
Awards: The William Ruzzak Memorial Prize for Deputy Heads
Deputy Head of School, Prefect, Head of Todmans, 1st XI Football, 1st XV Rugby
Next: Working in family business



TRISTAN SMITH

A Levels: History, Applied Business Studies
Awards: DofE: Bronze, Silver, Gold in progress, Full Colours - Rugby
Prefect, 1st XV Rugby
Next: Gap Year



HARRY STREET

A Levels: Media Studies, Geography, History
Awards: The Alex Marks Trophy for Endeavour
Prefect, Vice Head of Speakers
Next: Aberystwyth, International Politics and Military History



ANGUS SUTTON

A Levels: Photography, Media Studies
Awards: The Anthony Clarke Memorial Trophy for Courage
Prefect, Head of Speakers
1st XV Rugby, 1st XI Cricket
Next: Brighton, Broadcast Media



MARTHA TEVERSON

A Levels: History, English Literature, Spanish
Prefect
Next: Gap Year



AN VU

A Levels: Mathematics, Chemistry, Business Studies, Physics
Awards: The Chemistry Prize for A Level, The Physics Prize for A Level, DofE: Gold in progress
Prefect, Deputy Head of Roberts
Next: Bath, Economics

The most friendly and supportive place I've ever been in my life. ”



CHLOE WANG

A Levels: Art, Photography, Chinese
Next: West London, Hospitality Management



JENNY WATERS

A Levels: French, Spanish, Drama
DofE: Bronze
Next: Chester, French



JONATHAN WHITTOOME

A Levels: Design Technology, Applied Business Studies
Awards: The Samuel Kendon Prize for Craft & Design
Prefect, Head of Kiplings
Next: Rose Bruford, Scenic Arts



ALISTAIR YIU

A Levels: Applied Business Studies, Mathematics, Chinese
Awards: The E.F.L Prize
1st Basketball
Next: Nottingham, Psychology



LAWRENCE ZHANG

A Levels: Art, Mathematics, Chinese
Awards: The Michael Williams Photography Cup & Prize
1st Basketball
Next: Gap Year, followed by Architecture

HUNTER ESSAY PRIZE WINNER 2013:

PATIENCE

Lungs burning. Feet aching. Muscles screaming. But I can't stop yet. I clutch the precious box in my hands, containing the Norn Star and I sprint relentlessly over the black and barren landscape of the Darkwoods. The Norn Star is a powerful entity. It was once used to destroy entire planets but was concealed within the core of the Earth to prevent it from falling into the wrong hands. But my father found it. The fool! He'd announced his discovery to the whole world and now we are being pursued. I could just drop it, right here, leave it on the ground and they would leave me alone, but by doing so I would only be placing the fate of the universe in the hands of Kalhang the Accursed, obsessed by his lust for power.

But the Hunters were hot on my trail and I had no choice but to run, for honour, for dignity, for King, for country, for family. My people were being slaughtered behind me and I could hear their agonising screams echoing in my ears. My heart, thudding loudly like the beating of a thousand drums was partly drowning out the noise. If I can just get out of the Darkwoods and onto the boat that will take me to Sky Town, a city in the Nightshade Isles where magic reigns supreme, then I would be safe. Then they can't get me. Hopefully.

I glanced suddenly to the right as I caught sight of a shape forming in the corner of my vision, a malicious black blur that pursues me like a predator would its prey. Another joins on the other side and they close in on me. I try to push my legs harder, feeling the burn and stretch of the muscles that scream at me in retaliation of such speed over such a long distance. To slow down would be death. I would have my soul ripped from my body and dragged to Hell if I dared let them claim me.

"Patience!"

Was I hallucinating? Was my mind playing tricks on me?

"Patience! Patience Phillips!"

No. That was my name and the wind was calling. That was my name being bellowed amongst the bows of the trees that loomed above me, their limbs casting black shadows on the even blacker floors of the forest, resisting the efforts of the moon illuminating what little running space I had.

A gun fires next to me and I see one of the Rippers fall, tumbling across the ground as its massive wolf body hurls itself across the dirt and come to a halt by the bottom of an old oak. A man in a brown cloak with a small hat placed atop his head, barely containing his mad mane of hair, stood upon a hummock not far from where I was running and fired another shot at the Ripper still on my tail. Its head exploded behind me as it dispersed into tiny writhing tentacles of darkness, spilling into the dry, cracked ground below my feet.

"Miss Patience Phillips. I do suggest we press on or we shall find ourselves stuck in the most pickliest of pickles!" said the man I knew as Professor Yustus. The man was not the most comforting presence I had encountered since the invasion of Silvermoon City, but he had saved my life, and for that I was truly grateful. He was a man most people deemed too odd to call 'normal.' He spent many days muttering, even getting into arguments with himself at times and leading people to believe that he had more than one voice in his head, which, of course, is entirely true. He studied me with that usual, wild look in his blue eyes, as if assessing me for damage.

"H... How did ... you get... out?" I asked him through gasping breaths. I had been running nonstop for so long I felt like my legs had been detached from my body. The slight throbbing of the blisters on my ankles assured me that they were indeed still there.

"A great magician never reveals his secrets," he said, tapping the side of his nose with his index finger.

"But you are just a Professor?" I said as he began to scuffle over the rocks, beckoning me to follow. "You can't do magic?"

As he turned I could not decipher the expression on his face. "Yes, well..." he waved the thought away with his hand, "I still don't want to tell you."

I grunted. Yustus hadn't changed, even though his home was burning behind him. I wondered, just for a second, if he had ever actually felt like that city was his home, or if he had ever had a family or friends. It occurred to me then that I knew nothing about his personal life; I only knew his character, but not his past. But what kind of a past did a man like Yustus possess? I dared not pry.

Something in his life must have made him what he is today, so for my own good I cast the thought aside. Survival. That was my number one priority.

"I'm surprised you made it," grumbled Yustus as we hiked up the side of a rocky hill, "I would have thought Kalhang would have been after you first."

"Why ever would he do that?" I asked. "He would have wanted my father, for he was the one who knew the location of the Norn Star."

"Because you're a Pure Blood of course!" Then we both froze, stopped dead in our tracks. He didn't turn around and look at me face to face, and I was glad he didn't.

"I'm a what?" I questioned in a hesitant voice.

He exhaled loudly. "Your father never told you because... well, how does a father tell his daughter that she is a descendant of the Gods?" He gradually turned to me and a look of great sorrow placed a weight over my heart. "Patience, the Norn Star is your responsibility now. You must protect it, not matter what the consequences are."

What does someone say to that? It's ok. I'll spend my life running from soul-ripping creatures whilst carrying around the most powerful weapon in the galaxy. Of course not. I just stared, feeling the weight of the wooden box in my hand, hearing the screams of my people laid to waste behind me, seeing the remains of my city burn. I am Patience Phillips, daughter of Lord Varian Phillips, recently deceased ruler of Elyra, commander of thunder. Today he was murdered by warriors led by Kalhang the Accursed, feared enemy of the Olympians, and today I lost everything I have ever known.

"There is a river boat heading west towards the Nightshade Isles," I said commandingly, marching up to meet Yustus directly. "We get on the ship, and we leave this place."

"But... "

"Do you have an army, Yustus?" I yelled at him, cutting off the remains of his sentence with my austere tone and glaring eyes. "We will gather forces from across Ecominar, and I will take back my crown and avenge my father's death. Mark my words Professor, Kalhang's head will be mine."

Yustus smiled. "So much like your father." He clapped his hands and spun round and round until I thought he would fall over. "We've no time to loose!"

The howl of a Ripper in the distance emphasised his last point. We ran up the hill and sped beside the forest, hearing the howls and growls of Rippers behind us as we ran for our lives. Yustus was slower than I and so our journey was longer than I had hoped, but I wouldn't leave him behind, not the last friend I had left. Men with bows and arrows clad in black garments, riding atop of the vicious wolves whose jaws have ripped the flesh of many highland men were drawing nearer. I grabbed Yustus's hand, urging him forward, sending silent prayers to Zeus that we would make it to the ship.

An arrow whizzed close to my ear and I cut swiftly to the right, the river now in my sight. I picked up speed, Yustus's arm still firmly held in my grasp. The ship was already leaving the pier. Was it too late? Could I possibly make it?

"Come on!" I yelled as we sprinted along the shoreline. We had only a short distance left before the ship would be too far away for us to jump. Pulling Yustus with me, I threw my body weight forward, bending my knees to absorb the fall as we rolled onto the deck of the ship. Yustus lay like a stuck beetle on his back, struggling to pull himself up again. I rose from the deck, making sure that the last memory the Hunters' possessed of me would be one of defeat. Today I had survived. Tomorrow I would fight again.

The fires of my burning city rose into the sky and were reflected in the waters of the muddy river. Slowly it disappeared from sight, the occasional scream fading with the view over the horizon, and for the first time since the invasion, I felt relaxed. They could not attack Sky Town unless they wanted a war, but little did those wretches know that they had already found one.

"Patience," I said to myself. "Good things come to those who wait."

BETHANY WARD
Lower Sixth

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT ESSAY AWARD:

CHOOSE A PICTURE AND USE IT AS THE BASIS FOR A NARRATIVE.



TRené woke up to the piercing sound of his alarm clock. The patches of light seeped through the holes in the blinds as he gradually opened his eyes. He sat up on his bed and his feet made contact to the stained, beige carpet that felt rough under his toes. He transferred his weight to his feet and stood up. His face was skinny and his cheekbones were defined, giving him a malnourished appearance. He had freckles around his nose and his eyes were a collage of browns and maroons swirling around a black centre, like a vulture circling over its prey.

He stumbled into the kitchen; the shock of getting out of bed was chilling and unpleasant. He opened the fridge door and brought out a glass bottle of milk, half empty. The fridge was buzzing away and looked like it was on its last legs. He carried the milk to the other end of the cramped room and slumped into his rugged rocking chair that was facing the television. He gulped the milk hastily like a famished animal. He finished the bottle of milk and placed it, empty, on the small table beside his chair, leaving a white ring to form on the table.

He left his rocking chair and went back to his bedroom to get changed for work. Searching the bundle of clothes in a basket, he found a white tee shirt that was clean. He glanced at his plastic clock hanging on a nail on the wall, the time read 06.48. He had 12 minutes to get to work. He went out of his room and started to walk to the front door. After stepping out, he shut the door behind him. The morning was fresh, and the sun was trying to shine through the few clouds in the sky. He had a view from the 4th floor looking out at the dozens of factories all parallel to each other. He started to descend the hundreds of stairs to reach the ground floor to meet other like-minded individuals that were also going to work.

The factory that René worked at was a stone's throw away from his flat. He worked for a company called Skoda that built cars for very little pay. The cars went out of his factory and ended up all around the world. René was moaning to himself saying how much he hated his boss and if he could afford a proper house, he would buy one. His job was tedious and he disliked the way that other workers seemed to despise him for a reason he had yet to fathom. He crossed the busy road with difficulty as the cars roared past him. He reached the door of the factory and went inside.

René was working on a car bumper and spraying it a violent vermillion colour. The paint tinted in the sunlight that was coming through the plastic panels in the roof. The paint started to ripple for no apparent reason, and then the rumble got worse and was more like an earthquake, the metal parts

of the car clang together like a death orchestra. René started to worry and was wondering what was going on. All the workers hit the ground and lay there until the tremor stopped. Some of them looked horrified and René had the feeling it was no ordinary earthquake. The tremor quietened down and after everyone was on their feet a gigantic boom echoed in the factory. It sounded like a bomb had just missed the building. René's ears were ringing from the deafening sound. He was listening in to the conversation that the workers were having discussing what might have made that quake. René did not feel like talking about his opinions of what it could be but he was curious to know. Some of the workers thought it could be that they were at war. Ten minutes later the boss came in to the factory shouting at them and telling them to clear the mess up. He talked about everyone losing a day's pay if they didn't get back to work and make up for lost time. René had the worst job as he had to clear up the paints that were on the floor and he set about doing this. The day went without further incident.

The clock struck six and René placed the last can of paint on the shelf. The factory got strangely dark at this time and it looked like a storm cloud was coming overhead. He opened the factory door and walked outside, looking up René noticed the strange clouds that had an unusual tint of yellows and oranges, the clouds were very defined and were in a small area just over the town. A few specks of rain started to fall out of the sky. René was walking to his house but when he came to cross the road there were no cars there at all. Even though it was rush hour, the town seemed abandoned and made him wonder why the town was so eerie. The rain started to get harder and was beating down on his back; he did not want to get wet and he knew his flat was a minute away so he ran the rest of the way back.

After he had crossed the road, six fire engines flashed straight past him and were all hooting their horns like mad men. René started to climb the galvanised steel stairs to reach the flat. When he reached his door and rummaged in his pocket to find the key he saw his hand had swollen up and a rash had appeared on the palm of his hand. René unlocked the door and went inside. He wanted to have a shower straight away because his skin felt tingly and as if it was on fire. When René took off his overalls he saw his whole body had rashes and sores that were itching and were beginning to sting madly. It did not look like a normal rash.

René decided against a shower and put a towel around his waist and went into the kitchen, where he had some cream that might help with the pain. He had to pull the cupboard door open with a piece of string that he had tied around a hole that he made. He rummaged around searching for the pot of cream. Finding it right at the back he opened the top and smeared some over his rashes and anywhere that felt sore. He was walking to the television while he was checking his rashes on his arms. He felt a bit faint and stumbled to the rocking chair and slumped into it. He reached for the remote control of the television set and pressing a button, pointed the control towards the television. The set came on. Instantly the news came on, telling everyone to stay clear of the town of Chernobyl, a town less than two miles away.

René was horrified when he saw the images of the disaster taken after the nuclear power station had blown up. The report said that radiation had pumped into the atmosphere, making the rain acidic and this could irritate the skin. A scientist was then being interviewed saying that a heavy dose of radiation would be fatal.

René sat in front of the television set, uncomprehending the visions and chatter from the screen. Stunned, amazed and in shock, he stared at the television; it had dawned on him that the scientist was talking about him.

LLOYD ROBERTS

Year 10

Maths

Mathematics Challenge Competitions

The following competitions are sponsored by either UKMT (United Kingdom Mathematics Trust) or FMSP (Further Maths Support Programme). All pupils in the top set in Years 7 – 11 take part in the individual challenges, plus all Sixth Form pupils currently studying Mathematics at AS or A2 level. The team competitions are open to any eligible pupil, but the standard in the competitions is very high, and sometimes an assessment round has to take place before we can decide on the final team of four to represent Bethany.



UKMT Senior Mathematics Challenge

Four Bethany mathematicians took part in the regional heat of the UK Mathematics Trust Senior Team Mathematics Challenge. Our team consisted of An Vu and Alexander Clayden-Spence (Year 13) and Jinsung Ha and Allen Imegwu (Year 12). The Bethany team worked very well together and overall we came 14th out of 34 very competitive and academic teams. We would like to encourage students to make up a team for next year as they will enjoy the competition and have a lot of fun.



Year 7 Christmas Competition

If you can draw a 5-pointed star by drawing just 5 straight lines, you have drawn a Pentagram. This was the first task that Year 7 had to do in their Christmas Mathematics Competition. There were other tasks which included estimating the length of one minute and estimating the volume of one of Father Christmas' wellington boots. The runners up were Samuel Tate, Ben Stewart and Susan Warren. First place was awarded to Sebastian Greaves, who achieved well in all four tasks.

Year 8 Easter Competition

The Mathematics department challenged Year 8 to make an innovative box for a small Easter egg. They had to make a box which would hold an egg securely with the egg visible. Everyone who took part made a good attempt; the results were imaginative and many were very unusual. Prizes were awarded to Emilia Wyllie (3rd), Klyde Moradeyo (2nd) and Olly Chaplin (1st).



Year 9 Summer Competition

Year 9 students took part in a competition to build the tallest possible tower made out of newspaper.



They had to build a free-standing tower using only 5 sheets of newspaper and 50cm of Sellotape, and it had to be capable of supporting a golf ball on the top for at least 10 seconds. This was a record breaking year; two teams managed to produce higher towers than ever seen before. The runners up, with a tower 2m 8cm high, were Oliver Craggs, Adam Wilkinson and Sam Butler. The winning tower, which almost stood from floor to ceiling, at a height of 2m 15cm, was created by Astrid Naughton, Rowan Beaumont and Mia Mallion. The Mathematics department would like to congratulate everyone who competed, which was most of Years 7, 8 and 9. The students all took part with great enthusiasm and demonstrated considerable skill. We shared some very entertaining moments too!

Mrs Thorpe took a team of 4 pupils from Year 10 to The Judd School to take part in the Team Mathematics Challenge. This is the first time that Bethany has sent a team to compete in this relatively new Year 10 competition which saw 14 teams taking part mostly from local schools. There were 6 rounds, including a difficult round on the 'Absolute Value Function' which required special preparation, as it is a topic usually taught in the Upper Sixth. The team made a valiant attempt but unfortunately didn't win. Congratulations to Seav Meng Ing, Winston Mo, Elly Cheung and Jay Lee for taking part with such enthusiasm. They have all received certificates for participating.

Mrs Thorpe also took a team of 4 pupils from Year 8 and Year 9 to take part in the Team Mathematics Challenge in Tonbridge. It was very competitive with teams from almost 30 schools. There were 4 rounds, including a cross-number puzzle which required a great deal of strategy, a head to head relay which required careful planning and tested algebra skills, and a running relay. In this last round the teams had to run around handing in answers and collecting new questions as fast as possible. Congratulations for taking part and having lots of fun to Edward Simmonds, Will Smith, William Cunningham and Henry Beams who all received certificates.

Science

Two Year 8 pupils are embarking on an exciting project in partnership with SAPS (Science and Plants for Schools) which involves doing experiments on the cloning of carnivorous plants. Georgia Lello and Ella Dockery, have volunteered to conduct the initial trials. They have been using their lunchtimes to join our Senior Laboratory Technician, Mrs. Fillery, to dissect one of the larger carnivorous plants to see how many bugs they could find – the results were staggering! We hope the mini-project will prove to be a great success, which can then be expanded and extended over the next few years.

Salters' Festival Of Chemistry Trip

4 students from Years 7 & 8: Lewis Baker, Rosa Davis, William Cunningham and Jessica Nicholls attended the Salters' Festival of Chemistry at University College London for a day of chemistry challenges, experiments and explosive demonstrations. Their main challenge was to solve a murder given only the smallest of clues and evidence, and for this task they were up against a large number of students from many other schools. They used their practical skills and abilities of deduction effectively to produce a forensic report, which was submitted to the judges. When the culprit, location and manner of the crime were revealed later in the day, our four pupils were disappointed to discover that, despite their wonderful enthusiasm and hard work, they didn't win the main prize. They were, however, awarded certificates for their success at the Festival and can be very proud of their teamwork and overall achievement on the day.



STEM Science Club Goes Bang!

The National Science and Engineering Competition aims to recognise and reward young people's achievements in all areas of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM). It is open to 11-18 year olds in the UK and provides young people with the opportunity to build their skills and confidence in project-based work. This is a perfect school activity for possible future inventors like Casper Round who took these photos using his unmanned aerial vehicle system.



Thousands of young people enter the Competition every year, either as a team or as an individual.

The best projects from across the UK are then invited to the National Finals, which are held in March each year at The Big Bang: UK Young Scientists & Engineers Fair. The finalists showcase their work to over 60,000 visitors and compete for a range of fantastic prizes worth over £50,000, including international experiences. Students spend approximately a year working on their projects that should be ready for submission by October 31st each year. All projects will be judged by judges from industry or education.

At Bethany we aim to submit all sorts of projects from all areas of Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths. We are currently waiting to hear if Casper's amazing Hexacopter which has also been used in a film will win one of the prizes.

Curriculum Fun Morning

In Science another morning of fun experiments was held for pupils at primary school in Year 5. The aim is for them to experience Science lessons at secondary school level and, in particular, to enthuse them about Science at Bethany.

The theme for the morning was 'keeping healthy' and it included looking at heart rate and how exercise can affect it, as well as an investigation into what happens when someone has diabetes, including 'Tinkle Testing': testing for sugar in the (fake!) urine samples. The second half of the morning was dedicated to some of our department's favourite demonstrations such as elephant's toothpaste, the screaming jelly baby and the Mentos geyser.

Below is a picture of the two brave students who volunteered to let off the geyser (although they did opt for water-proofing to avoid being completely drenched in Coke!). The Mentos geyser demonstrates how an acid based drink reacts with alkaline based sweets in spectacular style.



Music Report

Choral Society Reborn!

From deep in the recesses of the Music School cupboards, and in the overworked mind of the slightly unhinged Director of Music, there stirred a strange, repeated E major chord. What could these four repeated sounds, followed by a short, sighing melody mean? Going deeper into the cupboard, he was attracted by a series of blue covered books in a row. Could he really hear the words "Comfort Ye" emanating from somewhere in the rack? What was this book? What did it all mean? He leaned closer to read the spine. At that moment, all the books shouted at once, with D Major brightness (yes, that's a musical fact; D major is a bright key) HALLELUJAH, HALLELUJAH! Of course, he had stumbled across the copies of Messiah first bought for the School in October 1977. Could these great books sing again? Not without the help of some singers! As luck would have it, Mr Stubberfield had recently made contact with Brenchley Choral Society, who had just become conductorless. It was at this point the great scheme was hatched; a combined performance of Handel's Messiah by both Bethany and Brenchley Choral societies.

Rehearsing with a small and dedicated group of students, along with the larger, very enthusiastic and more mature choir of Brenchley, gradually the great choruses came to life – "And the Glory of the Lord", "All We Like Sheep" and the golfer's carol "For! Unto Us A Child Is Born" all took off and engrained themselves into the singers' memories. Two performances were arranged. The first, the home leg, took place in the Function Suite, with the solos taken by our intrepid students venturing into new musical territory. Highlights included Patrick Cotter singing "Thou Shalt Break Them" and Jemima Harris the haunting

yet valedictory "If God Be For Us". The small orchestra, arranged from local experienced players, supported our students with sensitivity and conviction. They were on hand again the following day to complete the away leg at Brenchley Church. Here, they were joined this time not only by both choirs, but also four professional soloists (including our very own Miss Johnson). Emily Bristow's instrumental contribution playing "The Trumpet Shall Sound" on her newly acquired D trumpet was a highlight.

There were many great moments, but for the choir, the most transfixing was the final "Amen" chorus. Somehow, it sounded like Heaven in all its glory had touched Earth. This can only be achieved by quality musicians working together as a team. The joint venture will continue in 2014 with both Choral Societies combining in a performance of Rossini's Petite Messe Solennelle. The accompaniment will be supplied by Old Bethanian and Royal Academy student Timothy Ellis.

Finchcocks Revisited

How appropriate that musicians should return to this amazing building, for herein lies the very root of the School's existence. Some 150 years ago, the owner of the House invited a certain J Kendon to help run a mission for hop pickers in the area. The rest, as they say, is history. On this occasion though we were returning not to proselytise, but to perform on the array of amazing instruments now housed in the building with the same fervor that our founder preached the gospel to surrounding villages.

There we met Steven Devine, who was giving a concert at Finchcocks that afternoon. He demonstrated several of the keyboards in the collection to us, from the earliest harpsichords, through the delicate and intimate sound of the clavichord,

to the beautifully toned fortepianos and their more robust cousin, the pianoforte. Armed with pieces from the English and European late Baroque and the classical Viennese School, our pianists immediately discovered the clarity that these instruments produce, making sense of the original music.

Many students had a favourite instrument, some preferring the small 'square' pianos, others the big sound of the later instruments. Mr Stubberfield, however, once prized away from the harpsichords, found a harmonium that was made shortly before Rossini's death. Perhaps he was getting an idea for 2014...

Barbican Visit

An intrepid group of musicians braved the intricacies of getting into the Barbican to hear a concert given by the London Symphony Orchestra in their resident hall. Before the concert, we were able to attend a discovery workshop with the LSO's resident amateur, Rachel Leach. Here we found out about Szymanowski's unique style, a combination of Debussy, Brahms, Liszt and Wagner all rolled into one. We had a chance to participate in playing sections of the piece with a member of the LSO, including Elly Cheung and Charlie Deane performing part of the main theme for the first symphony and Eden Fort conducting a section of the violin concerto. This prepared us for the cinematic and colourful world of Szymanowski's music.

For the concert itself, we had some of the best seats in the circle with both a great view of the orchestra and an ideal place to hear it at its most focussed. Indeed, at times during the Szymanowski, the orchestra seemed impossibly loud, bearing in mind they have no amplification. The sudden changes of mood and style in these pieces was emphasised by the crisp,



digital-quality acoustic of the hall. In the second half, the Brahms' symphony gave up all its secrets, with every tiny reference to Beethoven shining through in a crystal clear sound.

Orchestra Rocks On!

ELO had nothing on us this year, as our Orchestra demonstrated their versatility from Bach to Queen! Once again, they made a major contribution to the School Production, with excellent credentials as the 'We Will Rock You' backing group. The trumpets even found themselves suspended at great height above the stage – truly a unique experience. In solo role, as well as a great Christmas offering, their performances of "Singing in the Rain" and "String of Pearls" gave reference to the great tunes of the forties.

School Choir

Miss Johnson took the helm again this year, and her popular choice of music included a stunning arrangement of "Umbrella," along with some great Christmas and Easter numbers. The Christmas Concert and Carol services were inspired with a spirited rendition of "Sheep, Sheep, Sheep" by all of Year 7, 8 and some of Senior Choir. Junior choir's acapella rendition of "Rose Red" showed the maturity of their younger voices. This certainly bodes well for the future of group singing in the School.

Jazz Band

The Jazz Band tackled three new A-level set works this year, which were challenging. Louis Armstrong, Duke Ellington and Charlie Parker topped the bill in rehearsal time. The Jungle style of Ellington has been perfected through some excellent mute work in the trumpets and Winston Mo led the trombones out with a great growling sound! The Bebop influence on cool jazz number "Boplicity" even

stretched the very able William Scott to the limits of his saxophone style! In between this, the band managed to keep its standard repertoire ticking over well, extending improvisation skills through the standards. This year's rather blustery fête meant a last minute decamp into the Drama Theatre, rather than spending the morning chasing music across the School campus! With the roof open, they were still an active presence at this important event in the School year.

Other Ensembles

String Ensemble opted for quality rather than quantity. The results allowed all to shine with renewed bowing technique, excellent projection and greater control of ensemble vibrato. This is largely due to Joseph Wolfe, our violin teacher, working hard to straighten bow holds. A new group for this year was the ALE – the A-Level Ensemble group. Their ability to turn their hand to a variety of compositions, from Claudia Lam's "The Peace of Three" to Alvin Lam's "Trumpets Just Gotta Have Fun," gave them an opportunity to express their developing instrumental skills and improve their composition marks all in one go. As ever, the Brass Ensemble was on hand to perform fanfares at the major civil and sacred events of the year, ably led by Amelia Brett, Emily Bristow and William Marshall. Further singing groups included several Steventon ensembles, with stunning harmony and projection. Several cello combos, under the inspirational guidance of Mr Chapter, also graced our concert evenings with a touch of class.

Instrumental Tuition

It has been good to welcome Lianna Jeffery back to the instrumental staff, after a few years absence doing Cruise Ship tours. Our flute players have benefitted from her wide range of musical experiences and have moved

on to even greater performance work than before. Our other instrumental staff, as ever, have been helpful in preparing our musicians for such a diverse range of musical events. Particular thanks to concert regulars Katie Slowgrove, Jonathan Chapter and Emily Steventon. Our 'rhythm section' engine would not get going were it not for the patience, commitment and good humour of Andrew Keeping, Grant Tunbridge and Richmond Stockwell. Thanks also to Richard Fagg and Allan Ellingworth for their input and advice.

Musical Leavers

Several stalwart musicians have left this year and four are worth a special mention. Stephen Lee may only have been playing the piano for three years, but his rendition of the Chopin Fantasie-Etude was particularly stunning. His commitment to practising made evenings in the Music School a joy, listening to the detail and effort he put into his music. As he returns to Korea, we wish him well in his future studies. Eden Fort, whose piano and saxophone playing had been a regular feature of both Jazz Band and Assembly Band, has also gone to study overseas; her endless energy will also be missed greatly. Alexander Clayden-Spence has become a solid 'session style' drummer, demonstrating how a drummer can blend into a band so well. In particular, his ability to adapt quickly in pit show work will be sorely missed. Lastly, Amanda Hill has managed to attend and participate in all but one concert in her five years at Bethany. Inculcated with Music School humour, Amanda often filled in the role as third teacher in the department, offering practical solutions to busy and challenging schedules.

Mr Stubberfield
Head of Music

DRAMA & THEATRE

'WE WILL ROCK YOU' – SCHOOL PRODUCTION

'We Will Rock You' was a huge success and enjoyed sell-out performances! Initially I wanted to keep this Musical for a subsequent year but with the wealth of talent on offer, I thought it was perfect timing to direct this feel-good show. Year 13 Drama Scholar Patrick Cotter enjoyed the principal role as Galileo with Thea Marshall as the feisty Scaramouche. The pair made a great duo and had wonderful on-stage chemistry. Frederick Carter and Antonia Brattle wowed audiences in their roles as Britney Spears and Meatloaf, whilst Imade Osarumwense made her debut performance here at Bethany School as the dynamic Killer Queen. Jack Wood's acting abilities were tested as he played his polar opposite role as the hippy Pop, and fellow Scholar Alexander Fuller gave a fabulous performance as the cold and calculating Khashoggi. In addition to the visually stunning lighting effects that this production brought, the choreography was very strong. With several pieces being created by professional Dance Teacher Rachael Payne, the whole-cast numbers were impressive to watch. Here, the ensemble shone and made this a great show to see! The actors and

musicians put in many an hour and worked incredibly well alongside our professional technical team to make this show a huge success.

THE SCHOLARS

Comedian Richard Franklin came in to work with the wonderfully dedicated Scholars to help create a Christmas surprise for the whole School. The performance was based on Robin Hood and his Merry Men and was great fun to watch. The Scholars kept their word and attended all rehearsals in secret making this even more of a treat to see. The performance was yet another reminder of the wealth of talent these Scholars have whilst also providing a feel-good end to a successful term.



LAMDA GRADED EXAMINATIONS IN ACTING

The success of LAMDA Examinations has grown enormously in the two academic years that I have been here with more and more pupils enjoying success in their Acting Examinations. Now, too big to handle on my own, the School offers coaching from Actress and experienced Teacher Alison Fielding. This is another great step forward for pupils at Bethany School!

SCHOLARS EVENING

The Drama Scholars performed a wonderful mixture of monologues and duologues which showed off their talents (and in most cases, their love of serious Drama!) Natasha Brattle started the evening with a heart-moving performance as Ophelia from 'Hamlet.' This was followed by a monologue from Alexander Fuller which earned him an impressive distinction grade for his LAMDA exam. Daniel Davies and Sean Evelegh gave a lively performance as the Rat and Mole from 'The Wind in the Willows' whilst Henry Felton-Smith and Louis Beneventi delivered a hard-hitting performance from Denis Kelly's 'DNA.'



Brendton Theunissen also provided a thought-provoking piece from Shaffer's 'Equus' followed by Thea Marshall's moving performance as Donna from 'Taking Care of Baby.' Inspired by the Musical and release of the movie, Frederick Carter performed as Marius from 'Les Misérables' showing that he can sing as well as act! Dorothy Beales performed next and gave a harrowing tale of events as Rose from the play 'Boarding School.' Jessica Daubeny performed her LAMDA Examination piece 'Scream if you want to go faster' for which she was also awarded a Distinction. Jack Wood performed a monologue from the well-known play 'The Glass Menagerie' by Tennessee Williams. The evening ended with a comic performance from Patrick Cotter regarding his character's love for a goat! Whilst we missed our Year 11 Girls, who were on a Netball Tournament, the presentations were a great success and showed off the fabulous talent we have here at Bethany School.

EXAMINATION PERFORMANCES

All examination performances were a huge success and brought with them excellent grades at both GCSE and

A-Level. The season started with the Year 13 students performing their adaptation of 'Wuthering Heights' as part of their exploration of "dramatic performance" unit. The play demonstrated their depth of research and was a powerful piece of Drama.

The GCSE pupils put in many an hour at rehearsals, even coming in during the Easter Holidays, to put together three excellent performances. Emily Bristow, JJ Donegan, Amelia Porter and Brendton Theunissen performed 'Two' by Jim Cartwright which brought both laughter and tears as they explored the events in a Northern pub during the 1980's. Frederick Carter, Alexander Fuller, Nicholas Humphrey and Jack Wood followed with an ambitious performance of 'The Ballad of the Mignonette.' Based on a true story, the play explores desperation at sea and fighting for survival. Antonia Brattle, Connie Dervish-Hussein, Amelia Page and Ciara Reddy delighted audiences with their highly energetic performance of 'Shakers' by John Godber. Each of these girls secured top-band marks as they delivered a slick and highly successful piece of Drama!

The Drama examination season ended with Year 12 who each performed

either a monologue or duologue and a group play, enabling them to show a range of skills to our visiting Examiner. This was followed by a dark comedy from Jemima Ellis, Thea Marshall and Frederick Raishbrook who performed 'The Lesson' by Ionesco and Dario Fo's farce 'The Accidental Death of an Anarchist' which was played by Natasha Brattle, Denis Dogan, Henry Felton-Smith and Imade Osarumwense. These performances were a great end to the season and showed off the pupil's huge range of performance skills.

LOWER SCHOOL SHOW

The Year 7-9s ended the academic year with two feel-good performances of 'A Little Bit Wicked:' a free adaptation of the West-End Stage Show. Drama Scholars Dorothy Beales and Jessica Daubeny gave superb performances as Glinda and Elphaba whilst George Knight and Alexander Wareham took on the roles of The Wizard and Dr. Dillamond. The whole-cast worked incredibly well and really did sparkle under the glitter and lights!

Miss Boyle
Head of Drama



ART & DESIGN



❧ SUCCESS ❧

The Autumn term got off to a wonderful start with 'A' Level Photographer Joe Reddy winning the Gold medal at the annual John Downton Exhibition in Maidstone, an event that showcases the very best work from Schools across the South East. Part of Joe's prize was having his winning picture displayed in the Turner Contemporary Gallery in Margate over the summer.

❧ EXAMINATIONS ❧

The Department continues to go from strength to strength. Public examination results saw eleven different pupils achieve 100% for various aspects of their GCSE, A/S or 'A' level examination work. Eight of our eighteen GCSE pupils secured A* grades.



Lawrence Zhang

Upper Sixth

As an Art Scholar, Lawrence was always expected to do well at examination level. Yet his achievement of securing 100% throughout his entire AS Photography and 'A' Level Art and Design courses took even him by surprise.



❧ TRIPS ❧

Year 10 travelled to Kew Gardens to resource a project based on 'Natural Forms' in September. The Photography groups visited the Taylor Wessing Portraiture Exhibition at the National Portrait Gallery, the World Wildlife Photographer of the Year Exhibition at The Natural History Museum and had a wonderful experience photographing a variety of wild cats at the Wildlife Heritage Foundation. The Textiles group visited the Knitting and Stitching Show at Alexandra Palace. Our present Sixth Form pupils are looking forward to an Arts based visit to Venice in February.

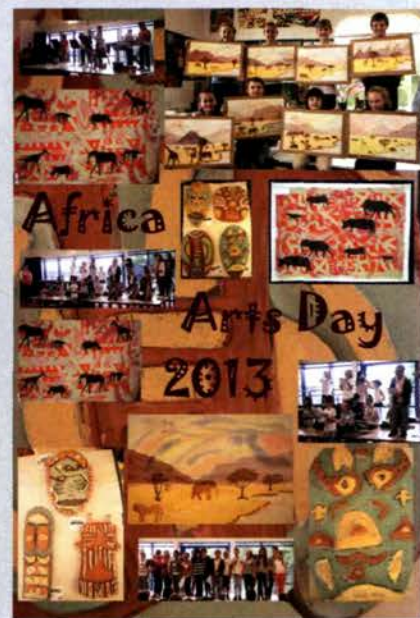


❧ ARTS DAY ❧

Our annual Arts Day on Friday 28th June gave Year 5 pupils from nearby Primary Schools the opportunity to work in watercolour, clay and textiles and by the end of a busy day they had all produced some outstanding work based on the theme of 'Africa.'

❧ ART IN THE WOODS ❧

On 2nd July Year 7 took to the woods for a day of lessons that explored the potential of the environment as a teaching aid. In Art, using natural objects, pupils produced images of insects and butterflies in the style of the artist, Andy Goldsworthy.





JOHN DOWNTON AND PARENTS DAY EXHIBITION

Both shows provided a good insight into what goes on within the Department and once again, the Textiles Fashion Show raised over £300 for the Lymphoma Association whilst showing the considerable creative flair of our young fashion designers. Students also replayed the fashion show for the benefit of the residents of a local care home during Activities Week.



Zofia Markiewicz

YR 12

Scholars Evening 15th March



2013

SCHOLARS

March 15th saw our Art scholars get together to display and discuss with parents and friends the wide variety of work they have been involved in this year.

ARTS AWARD

Year 10 girls Rachel McDermott, Phoebe Mills and Kate Marshall were our first three Arts Award candidates. The Award, validated by Trinity College London, tests a pupil's creativity as well as their willingness to share their own skills with others, produce a project based on an Art practitioner they particularly admire, and respond intellectually to an exhibition they have witnessed.



Phoebe Mills

YR 10



Rachel McDermott

YR 10

WORKSHOP

Pete Norgrove spent the 17th October delivering a series of watercolour workshops to classes of Year 5 and 6 pupils at Dulwich College Prep School in Cranbrook.



ART IN THE COMMUNITY

Three murals produced by Year 12 last year on the theme of 'Nature' have been placed in the playground of East Farleigh Primary School near Maidstone. They have gone down very well with the school's reception class.



LEAVING US

After 18 years teaching Art and Textiles, Mrs Anne Kelly has left us for pastures new. We thank her for the amazing work she has done over the years. Mrs Alexander who has assisted with Art and Photography over the last four years will also be missed, and we wish her well as she takes up a new post at Roedean School.

Pete Norgrove
Head of Art



Evie Davis

YR 11



Anna Burnham

YR 12



Ciara Reddy

YR 11



Henry Felton-Smith

YR 12



Jerry Lai

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Lewis Baker

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Kian Blewett

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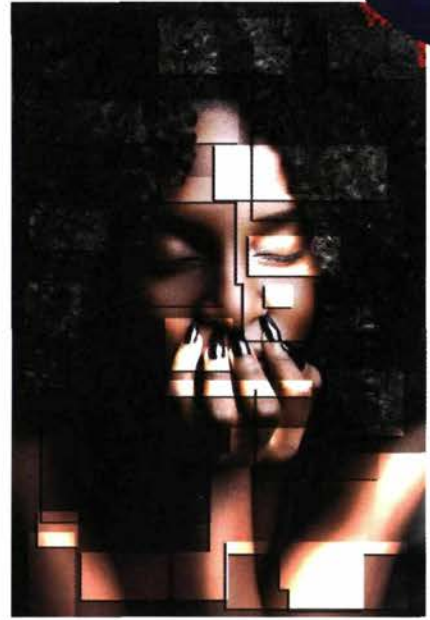
Kate Marshall

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Charlie Deane

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Sarah Young

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Mika Jaeger

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Milly Clark

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BIG CATS

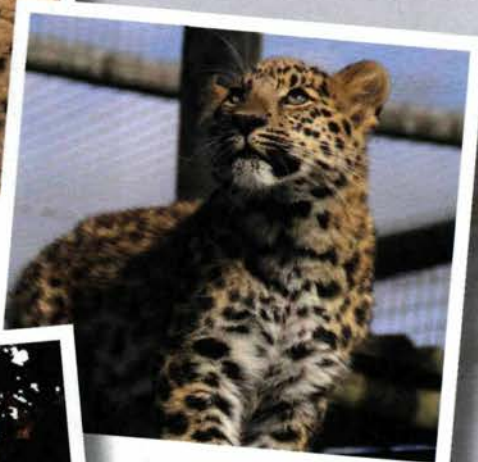
'A' LEVEL PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP

Seven Year 13 'A' Level Photography students enjoyed a fantastic day at the Big Cat Sanctuary in Smarden. Professional photographer Andy Porter spent the first part of the day describing the tricks of the trade before allowing the pupils up close to the Park's impressive collection of animals including, Cheetahs, Jaguars, Panthers, White Lions and Tigers. The images captured by the group were outstanding and will give their coursework a unique dimension come assessment next year.

Pete Norgrove



Chloe Wang



Hände Coskunvardar



Mika Jaeger





Piers Muiry



**DESIGN
AND
TECH-
NOLOGY**



Anna Burnham

Lower Sixth



Eliot Hughes

Upper Sixth



Gabriel Walker

YR 11



Bobbie Dervish-Hussein

YR 11



Fred Roberts

Lower Sixth



Brendton Theunissen

YR 11



Anthony Lai

YR 11



Sophie Alldis

Lower Sixth



Edward Horn

YR 11



Rosie Wood

Lower Sixth



Anna Burnham

Lower Sixth



Matthew Cheung

YR 11



Daniel Yusseff

YR 11



Casper Gill

Lower Sixth



Jonathon Whittome

Upper Sixth



Isabel Calcutt-Carpenter

YR 11



Harry Kelf

YR 11



James Carpenter

Lower Sixth



Tom Maynard

Upper Sixth



Hannah Marsden

YR 11



Ryan Askew

YR 11



Harry Graham

YR 11



Jerry Lai

YR 11



Jake Martin

Lower Sixth



Joseph Holland

YR 11



Toby Lonsdale

Upper Sixth



Ryan Griffiths

YR 11



James Hunter

Lower Sixth



Amelia Howell

Lower Sixth



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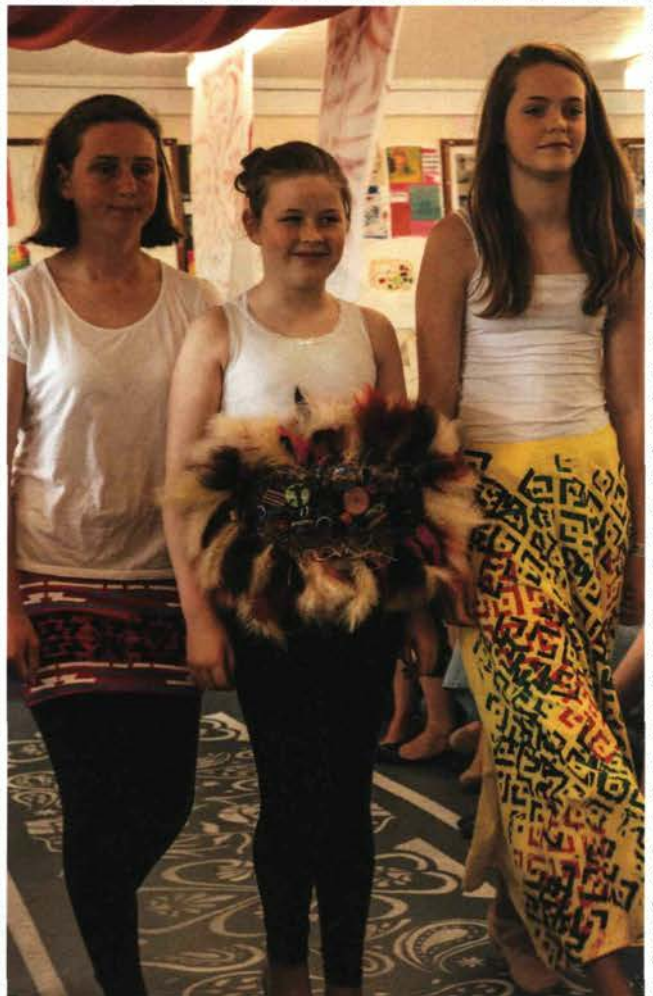
YR 11

TEXTILES

After another successful round of examination results in textiles, students have continued to flourish and produce some excellent class and examination work. The annual visit to the Knitting and Stitching show in October was a highlight and the Textiles Fashion Show on Speech Day raised over £300 for the Lymphoma Association. Students also 'replayed' the fashion show for the benefit of the residents of a local care home during Activities Week which was enjoyed by all. It was Mrs. Kelly's last year as head of the course and she is delighted to have 'passed on the baton' to Miss Brown, who will no doubt have her own creative adventures in the Textiles room!



Speech Day Fashion Show





Beatrice Fisher

Upper Sixth



Au Nais Fort

Lower Sixth



Lydia Healy

Upper Sixth



Claudia Lam

Lower Sixth



Amelia Stott

Lower Sixth



Natasha Brattle

Lower Sixth



Mika Jaeger

Upper Sixth



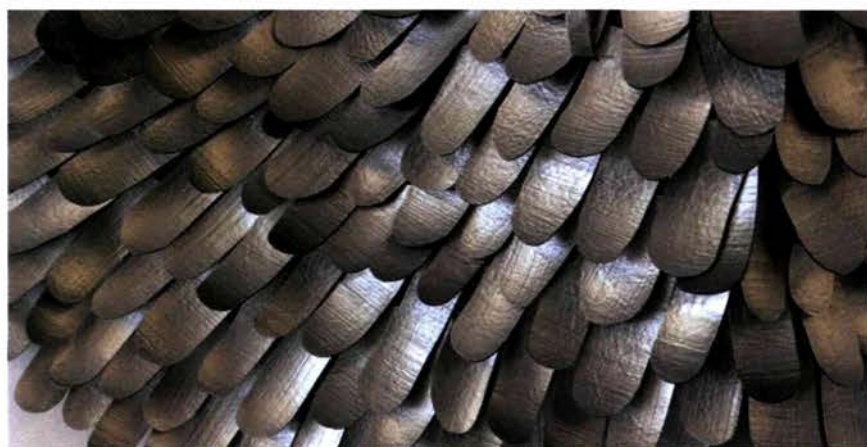
Zofia Markiewicz

Lower Sixth



Chloe Wang

Upper Sixth



Zofia Markiewicz

Lower Sixth



Mika Jaeger

Upper Sixth

Food Technology

In October, our Year 11 Food Technology students enjoyed a hands-on Master Class with Josemanuel Azevedo, co-owner and head chef of The Swan Restaurant, Chapel Down, Tenterden Vineyard. This opportunity was designed to raise awareness of professional presentation skills and to inspire creativity for the multi-cultural product development task each student will undertake as part of their GCSE coursework. Together they made: Chicken Chasseur, Wild Mushroom Risotto, Thai Green Curry, Chicken Tikka, and Homemade USA Burgers, served in homemade brioche buns. Afterwards our guest chef demonstrated some spun sugar work and caramelisation techniques using a blowtorch.



Year 11

Food Technology GCSE Goes International

As part of the Food Technology Coursework programme for 2013, students designed and developed some stunning international products. All products had original features, went through rigorous testing trials and demonstrated skill and creativity.

Candidates with flags: Jorge Hoad, Izzy Carpenter-Calcutt, Nicholas Humphrey, Harrison Jacques, Frederick Carter, Daniel Katwala and Edward Lawton.

Plate 1: Harrison Jacques's product had an Italian influence.

Plate 2: Frederick Carter's had a French & British influence.

Plate 3: Daniel Katwala's product had a Tex Mex influence.

Plate 4: Edward Lawton's product had an Indian influence.

Plate 5: Nicholas Humphrey's product had an Italian influence.

Plate 6: Jorge Hoad's product had a Thai influence.

Plate 7: Izzy Carpenter-Calcutt's product had a French influence.

How much can we eat?

Year 13 Food Technology students visited an award winning food factory [Rhokett Ltd] on Tuesday 20th November with Mrs Wood. They had fun changing in and out of the colour coded protective clothing as they viewed the low and high risk areas and saw some delicious dessert products being manufactured and

packed, ready for transportation to prestigious High Street clients. Our students were keen to observe computerised systems, high-tech equipment and key areas of industrial practices involved with their examination and coursework requirements. They also enjoyed sharing some free samples!



Young Enterprise

This year for the first time ever Young Enterprise at Bethany reached new heights. Such was the number of students wishing to take part that three companies were formed: Vortex, Pink Ninjas and Switch.



The Young Enterprise programme, now in its 50th year, has seen thousands of students nationwide develop key skills that will enhance their employability and enterprise capabilities. Many alumni of the Company Programme have gone on to outstanding careers as entrepreneurs, corporate executives and public figures, and employers tend to look favorably on students who have taken part in the programme. This year took Bethany's total number of achievers since the scheme started to 338.

All three companies had a successful year, not only learning hands on how a business runs, but importantly making a profit! They returned dividends in excess of 20% to their shareholders, beating the stockmarket by a mile!

Switch provided supplies for events; their main product being ice creams that many parents will have bought. They also produced some excellent prototypes which unfortunately didn't quite get to production. Pink Ninjas were also events based, specialising in Mother's Day, Valentine's Day and running a tuck shop. Finally Vortex offered a personalised portrait service for students and events.

Young Enterprise Public Speaking

On Tuesday 29th January three Bethany pupils took part in the Young Enterprise Public Speaking Competition area heat. Each represented their Young Enterprise company. The three speakers were Fred Roberts (Vortex), Daanish Riaz (Pink Ninjas) and Henry Bonaert (Switch). Each spoke on the topic: "A brand is no longer what we tell the consumer it is. It is what consumers tell each other it is. How has social media and the internet affected customers and businesses?"

Congratulations to Daanish Riaz who was a very worthy winner. He spoke confidently and used many entertaining anecdotes. He went on to compete in the Kent County final, in February, at Tunbridge Wells Boy's Grammar School. There were six finalists, each having won their own area heat.

Mr Khan reported that the standard of public speaking was the best he had ever heard. Daanish did not win but speaking first, (which is never easy), he did himself and Bethany great credit. Daanish is pictured with the Mayor of Ashford, Bob Davidson.



Success Of The Pink Ninjas – Area Final

The excerpt below is taken from a blog which was written by one of the Judges of the Young Enterprise company finals.

"By participating in many work related schemes, we get to witness the extraordinary talents of young people on a regular basis. I was invited to judge the Young Enterprise Company Finals at Bethany School and what a pleasure it was.

The finals were made up of three sections, firstly judging the business plans, secondly the trade stand and interviewing the students and finally judging the presentations. Each company demonstrated a sound business understanding and had excelled in at least one area of the judges criteria. The overall award went to a group of very determined young people, going by the name of The Pink Ninjas. They offered seasonal services, taking advantage of Christmas, Valentine's Day and Easter. Their brand awareness was tremendous and their constant monitoring aided the company's further development. Communication and teamwork were probably the key factors leading to the Pink Ninjas overall success. Huge congratulations go to them and the very best of luck for the rest of the year."

County Final

On Tuesday 1st May, the Pink Ninjas travelled to the University of Greenwich Campus in Chatham to compete in the Young Enterprise County Final. Having previously won their area heat, the team was judged on their company report, trade stand and a 4 minute presentation in front of a large audience. The Ninjas did themselves and Bethany proud, performing well on all fronts and winning the individual prize for 'Best Presentation.' One neutral observer commented, "they were witty, original and delivered their pitch with panache. In fact they were one of the highlights of the evening." Whilst they were not the overall winners, the Pink Ninjas enjoyed a super evening and showed that Enterprise is thriving at Bethany.

A final word for all the advisors who freely give up their time to support the scheme. To John Evans, Cheri Strudwick, Belinda Raitt and Stephen Elsworthy, many thanks.

Mr Khan

APPRENTICE CHALLENGE

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All members of the Lower Sixth were invited to take part in the Bethany version of "The Apprentice Challenge," based on the television programme. 29 students, signed up and were split into four teams and the competition began. The competition, organised by Mr Hart Dyke, Head of Sixth Form, took place in the three weeks immediately after the half term in May, and Mr Davies agreed to reprise the role of Lord Sugar, ably assisted by Nick and Margaret, aka James and Charlotte, our superb GAP students.

TASK 1:

The first challenge involved each student being given £10 and they were instructed to use it to double their money. They had to keep receipts and produce financial records. Some used it to buy sweets, some bought car cleaning equipment while others bought ingredients to make cakes or fruit to make smoothies. Some of the students made money by hiring out their services as ironing experts or offering to give tuition on how to use iPads. Between them the teams raised an impressive £800 in only five days and this went to charity. The team that made the least money was fired, along with the weakest member of each of the other teams.



TASK 2:

Task Two involved the groups designing and packaging five greeting cards and selling them to staff. They then had to face Lord Sugar in the boardroom and defend their performance. Several candidates were fired and the teams were re-shuffled for the next task.

TASK 3:

For Task 3 the three remaining groups had to create a pleasant dining experience for staff. It involved using the School facilities but they were allowed to be creative with the presentation and the entertainment. They could also provide their own desserts. The results from two of the groups were particularly impressive.

TASK 4:

Needless to say Lord Sugar promptly fired the weakest team and 10 candidates went through to Task 4. The teams were re-shuffled once again and told they had one hour to prepare a presentation for a School Governor on 'the next School project.' Feedback was given and three candidates were fired by Lord Sugar, leaving just six to go through to the next task.

TASK 5:

This involved being interviewed on a one-to-one basis by an experienced businessman and interviewer. The interview took 25 minutes and candidates were asked questions about their involvement in the tasks, about themselves and about their views on a variety of topics.

The remaining six candidates were difficult to separate as all of them had done tremendously well to get this far in the competition. Third place went to Georgie Marland and she was awarded £10. Second place and £30 was awarded to Daniel Blewett, while first place and a grand total of £70 went to Alice Healy.



Car Wash



Smoothies



The 29 Apprentices



Who will be the next Apprentice?

Pengelly Society

This is open to all Sixth Form pupils and offers a range of interesting, inspirational and motivational speakers over the year and this year did not disappoint.



His ability to bring poetry alive and make it accessible to all is unparalleled. His theatrical poetry show was full of energy, dynamism and fun and it was a delight to be able to welcome Leo back to the Pengelly Society.



So long! Farewell!

In March, Roger Kimber the President of The Bethanians' Society, enthusiastically addressed the audience. He explained the role of the alumni society in the School and highlighted the benefits such as giving something back to the School, getting in contact with mentors, networking, social events, promoting your business and of course keeping in contact with each other. Students were encouraged to 'like' the Facebook page of The Bethanians' Society as well as to register on www.bethanians.org.uk. The Skene Catling Trust was also highlighted. Pupils were encouraged to apply in writing to receive funds for a worthy gap year activity.

As we continue to look out for interesting speakers, we would like to remind everyone to let Mrs Gale or Mr Healy know if they come across someone who could inspire our pupils. We wish our leavers well as they embark on an exciting journey away from the Bethany 'nest'. Finally, to our secretary, extraordinaire, Edward Kendall, we thank him for his service, performed splendidly and with eloquence and flair!

*Mrs Gale
Chairman*



Film-making Secrets Revealed

The season opened in September with guest speaker Eamonn Butler, formerly Head of Animation for Walt Disney Features in Los Angeles and, at the time, Head of Animations for Double Negative Film Studios in London. Eamonn exposed the secrets behind the technical and artistic approaches used to create recent films, such as *The Dark Knight Rises*, *Total Recall* and *Inception*. He showed the Society clips from movies showing how the piece evolved with special effects, over a period of time, to get what we see at the cinema. He also brought along some interesting props from some of the sets he worked on. It was an entertaining and fascinating talk resulting in us all looking at the latest blockbusters in a whole new light!

Disability, Difference and Diversity

In October guest speaker Toby Hewson spoke to the Pengelly Society about living with cerebral palsy. Toby is an inspiring example of how willpower and endeavour, in the face of adversity, helps us to succeed. In 2007 he established a charity, 'Just Different,' which works tirelessly to raise awareness of disability, difference and diversity. In his unique witty and gritty style,

Toby told us his story and shared with us his vision of a society in which people who are disabled or different are accepted and celebrated. It was a hard-hitting talk and the Sixth Form went away with lots of food for thought.

Energy Matters

David Jackson, an Oxford graduate and Bethany School Governor, gave an eloquent and knowledgeable presentation to The Pengelly Society in November. With his incredible knowledge and experience within the oil industry he explained Britain's dependence on sources of oil and gas, how far we are from relying on greener alternatives and the pivotal role of oil on the global economy and politics. One student, Jeannie Chai was so inspired by the talk she used the information for an examination paper and achieved 100%.

Poetry in Motion

On Valentine's Day, the Pengelly Society was entertained by the talented poet Leo Ayles who has been invited to several meetings over the years. He recited an eclectic range of his poetry superbly well and impressed the crowd. Leo was born in South Africa and was a scholar at Oxford. He has had much success as a broadcaster, poet, screenwriter, actor and director.



SPORT



GIRLS' HOCKEY



This has been a really promising season for our 1st team girls. They started off with enthusiasm and skill having not previously played together. Newcomer Amelia Howell was welcomed and her skill in goal increased in each match; now she has learnt to slide, she is a daunting sight to any opposition!

Our defence, Vice-Captain Amanda Hill, Natasha Brattle, Frankie Holmes and Fran Kenney all worked well together and improved their marking skills as the season progressed. Our midfield players linked up well together, giving us the width we required. Up front, our forwards, Rosie Wood, Jemima Harris and Kate Luxford, whose fast legs reached passes we thought were impossible, all worked hard and provided us with some great goals. The most memorable games were wins against Gad's Hill 8-1, Ashford in the tournament 6-0 and our well fought draw against Dover. All the girls have impressed us with their determination and desire to improve.

Thanks also to Tiph Holman for helping out in practises and umpiring our games this half term. Some of our squad will be leaving us at the end of the year; we will be sorry to see them go, but thank them for their dedication over the years and wish them well.


U15


This was a mixed season for the joint year groups and it took a couple of weeks for them to get used to each other, but they all demonstrated a great determination and commitment to all practices and matches.

Our defenders, including goal-keeper India Hoad, aided by Rosie Ward, Emily Raj, Alexandra Tate and Sophie Marland, ensured the opposition were always going to find it hard to score. Midfield players Rachel McDermott, Kate Marshall, Heather Armstrong, Georgia Langley and Rowan Beaumont all improved greatly as the season progressed and worked tirelessly to move the ball around the pitch.

Our forwards, Captain Emma Askew, top goal scorer and newcomer Thara Brunt, Lucy Laister and Eden Fort all worked hard to create chances to put us in the lead.

Mia Mallion was extremely supportive and adaptable, playing in midfield and up front when required. Our most notable game was our great win against Dover College towards the start of the season.

 **Player of the Season**
Heather Armstrong

 **Most improved player**
Georgia Langley

U13


Considering that for many of the U13 team, this is the first time they have played competitive hockey they have developed well. With intervals of magnificent play and many goal scoring opportunities the highlight of their season was Maria Dougan's first ever goal against Kent College, Pembury.


Other highlights were outstanding runs up the midfield by Georgina Hill, defensive



clearance from Isabel Altendorf and like the phoenix from the flame, Lorenza Dougan storming out of the goal, to take not only the ball but the player as well to save many certain goals. With a little more coaching and time to practise together the team have great potential for the future.

Team members: Lorenza Dougan, Jessica Nicholls, Maria Dougan, Georgina Hill, Isabel Petts, Ella Dockery, Georgia Lello, Isabel Altendorf, Lucinda White.

 **Player of the Season**
Lorenza Dougan


 **Most improved player**
Isabel Petts


With a little more coaching and time to practice together the team have great potential for the future. ”

ROUNDERS

1st Team

This year the senior squad was packed with talented players who were all committed and keen to play. To their credit, amongst revision and exams they have developed a good team spirit. Before the main exam season the team played two matches against Ashford and Gad's Hill. Winning both matches convincingly, it was a shame that we could not play more fixtures. Rosie Wood, Amelia Page and Olivia Douglas all took good catches in competitive matches. Player of the Season was Antonia Brattle, followed closely by Bowler, Jemima Harris. Other squad members, all of whom scored were Theresa Brattle, Georgia Jackson, Amelia Howell and Amy Tucker.

 *Player of the Season*
Antonia Brattle

 *Most improved player*
Amelia Howell


U15 B


This team demonstrated the depth of talent in Year 9 and 10 by performing well all season. They held their own against tough opposition and worked well as a team. Kate Marshall led the team well, controlling the game with her excellent bowling and batting. Rosie Ward also demonstrated excellent batting skill making Kate and Rosie top scorers.



At the Granville League tournament the girls were one of only two B sides

who competed, and they did both themselves and the School proud. Highlight of the season was a narrow win over Ashford where Bethany won 16½-15 it was a tense but exciting game to watch! Special mention must go to India Hoad who has made excellent progress this term, Eden Fort who has a blistering long throw from the deep field and Grace Hebblethwaite for her commitment and vast knowledge.

 *Player of the season*
Kate Marshall

 *Most improved player*
India Hoad


U13




U15 A

This was a great season for this team, especially with fielders like Thara Brunt who contributed greatly to the success. Also Mary Hunter who captained the side well throughout the term and was the highest scorer. In their matches they beat Gad's Hill 17-16½ and St. Lawrence College 19-13. Against Ashford it was a close fought match but they won 19½-18½ with some good play from Emma Askew and Rowan Beaumont. Pheobe Mills also proved a valuable player.

In the Granville League tournament they were the overall winners, winning all their matches. Everyone played well and Emily Raj was impressive on third post and Lucy Laister and Maddy Todd as deeps. In their final match of the season against Beechwood the team really showed their full potential, resulting in a convincing win of 19½-7½. Mia Mallion played an excellent game as backstop.


 *Player of the season*
Mary Hunter


 *Most improved player*
Mia Mallion

There was a slow start to the season with the team taking a while to unite. They unfortunately lost to St. Lawrence College in their first match 26-6½. There was a marked improvement in the next game where Jessica Nicholls and Isabel Petts worked well together against Gad's Hill.



Unfortunately they lost 9-8. With good fielding from Georgia Lello and Georgina Hill we improved but lost 14-11½ to Ashford School. In the Granville League tournament we performed very well and were placed as runners up. All the team played well but a special mention goes to Isabel Altendorf, Lucinda White and Abigail Bristow who gave their all in every match. In the last match of the season we really excelled and put all the advice into practice winning 19½-7½ against Beechwood with Lorenza Dougan, Maria Dougan and Susan Warren all playing to their full potential.

 *Player of the season*
Jessica Nicholls

 *Most improved player*
Georgia Lello

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NETBALL


1st Team




With only two new members in last season's under 16 team, there were high expectations. We started off the season with a very convincing win against Dover 26-2, where Alice Healy and Natasha Brattle were really on form with the accuracy of their shooting. Under the captaincy of Theresa Brattle, who led by example and always gave her all, the next match against Combe Bank continued their winning streak with another good score of 23-5. In their match against Ashford, which was lost by 2 goals, we were determined to prove a point in the Granville League Tournament, and true to form we beat Ashford 9-4. We also beat St. Lawrence College and Dover, but drew with King's Rochester. We were the overall winners and this was due to the enthusiasm and team spirit.

Rosie Wood played some exemplary netball throughout the season and a special mention goes to Amelia Howell, who has joined us this year and has shown a good standard of performance. Olivia Douglas, our stalwart wing defence with her good nature and cheerfulness played very well in our last match of the season against King's Rochester, which proved to be very close with a win of 19-18. The youngster of the team, Amelia Clark, was energetic and determined throughout the season, and Paige Goodger proved a worthy reserve.

Team members: Theresa Brattle (Captain), Natasha Brattle, Alice Healy, Amelia Howell, Olivia Douglas, Rosie Wood, Amelia Clark, Paige Goodger.

 *Player of the Season*
Rosie Wood

 *Most improved player*
Amelia Clark


2nd VII


This team have had an exceptional season. Finishing undefeated, they played 4, won 4, and had 2 games cancelled due to snow! The majority of this team have played together for the past 3 years and have made excellent progress. This season the team, mainly consisting of Year 11's were joined by Jessica Leaper, who slotted in well as Wing Attack adding another dimension to an already strong side.



Ciara Reddy and Frankie Holmes shot fantastically throughout the season scoring a total of 63 goals. They were also joined by Paige Goodger who was versatile, playing

as both defence and shooter. Centre court players, Captain Antonia Brattle, Amelia Page and Jessica Leaper linked exceptionally well with consistent and determined play feeding the circle. Amy Tucker, Kate Luxford and Amelia Porter were also very influential, making fantastic contributions to the Team's achievements, conceding just 39 goals. Playing as a Year 11 team, their final victory of the season was at a PGL Netball tournament, played over a weekend in Liddington, where they finished first. We are extremely proud of this team and hope that many of them continue to play Netball in the future.

 *Player of the Season*
Frankie Holmes

 *Most improved player*
Paige Goodger

U15

This season Year 9 & 10 combined to make up U15A, B and C teams.

U15 A




This team have had a successful season. Scoring 73 goals for and 52 against, they won 3 and lost 1 and had one game cancelled due to snow.


With many talented individuals in the squad, we were hoping for good things from this team and they did not disappoint. It took them a few practice sessions to get used to the new combinations, and after their first and only defeat against St. Lawrence College, the team then settled into their season.



As the season progressed they began to gel well, with Captain Rachel McDermott taking control in the centre of the court assisted by Emily Raj and Imogen Oakes. In defence, Grace Hebblethwaite, Sophie Marland and Rowan Beaumont demonstrated dogged determination against some very good attacking players. The shooting partnership of Thara Brunt and Vice Captain Emma Askew, worked exceptionally well, they developed space in the D and shot accurately. The U15 A's victories included beating Dover College convincingly 27-3, Gad's Hill 17-12 and a tight, nail-biting game where they beat King's Rochester 22-18. Many of this team will have another year as U15's and therefore we hope they can build on their success.



 *Player of the season*
Emma Askew

 *Most improved player*
Imogen Oakes

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U15 B




The season started well for the team with a home win against St. Lawrence College, followed by a convincing win against Dover College. Next was a close fought match against Gad's Hill, which unfortunately we lost 10-13 as our shooter Isabella Hobson was injured during the game and had to come off. In the Granville League we were drawn against many A teams and we came fourth in our group with a notable win of 10-1 against Dover. In our last match against King's Rochester we lost the momentum in the second half and lost by 26-14.

Team members: Phoebe Mills (Captain), Georgia Langley, Maddy Todd, Emily Raj, Lucy Laister, Alexandra Tate, Isabella Hobson, Halina Markiewicz.

As a Year 9 team the U14's entered the PGL netball tournament at Liddington. They enjoyed a very successful tournament but had to endure some awful playing conditions eventually finishing as runners up.

 *Player of the season*
Emily Raj





 *Most improved player*
Georgia Langley

U13

At the beginning of the season, they struggled to gel as a team and two of the players had never played this game before, but by the end of the season this team had progressed vastly. Notable wins were against Kent College Pembury, where both Jessica Nicholls and Rosa Davis were accurate in their shooting, resulting in a 13-0 win. Also the excellent defence by Lorenza Dougan and Georgina Hill, in the match against Gad's Hill, teamed with the agility of Isabel Petts, Lucinda White and Abigail Bristow

in the centre court ended the season with an 8-3 win. We also had a few matches for our B team, in which Maria Dougan and Ella Dockery played well, and Georgia Lello was an enthusiastic member of the team giving her all in the matches.

 *Player of the Season*
Jessica Nicholls

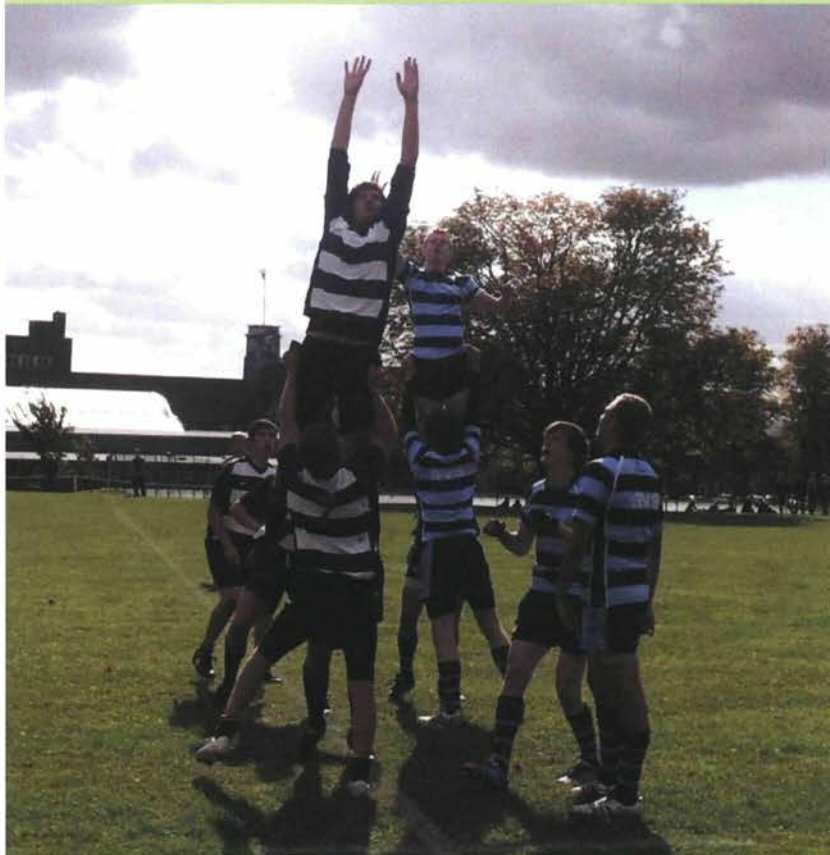
 *Most improved player*
Lorenza Dougan



RUGBY



1st XV



The 1st XV have had a very positive season, showing real progress in many aspects of the game. The season ended with Bethany having a 50% win ratio which does not give a true reflection of how close some of the matches were. Bethany rugby is definitely moving forward and the boys realise the importance of training and have embraced the new regime.



During the season there were many highlights including two victories against Ashford, an impressive 34-0 victory against Wilmington, an unlucky defeat 7-6 to Maidstone and a convincing 27-12 win over Buckswood School. The team were led admirably by Samuel Helesfay showing excellent commitment and passion throughout the season. Bethany is losing a number of Year 13's next season and I would like to thank them for their contribution. It has been a pleasure coaching them and I am looking forward to seeing the team progress and grow next year.

U15 A

The first match of the season against Sutton Valence highlighted the lack of game time and it was disappointing not to hold onto the 8-7 lead as they scored a late try eventually losing the game 12-8. A reshaped team took the field against Buckswood and this saw them finally start to reach their potential in what turned out to be a comfortable win that was replicated

in the following fixture against Ashford. This confidence carried over the half term break and two fantastic second half performances saw the team overcome large deficits against Wilmington Grammar and St. Lawrence College with Bethany winning both by two points. The final match of the season saw the team complete an unbeaten second half of term in a one sided match at home.

U15 B

This team had a mixed season as they have the potential to succeed but did not really show this on the pitch. Although the team only won one game against Ashford they were very competitive against all opposition and deserve praise for their efforts. The team was led admirably by Henry Kirk who showed real commitment. I would like to thank him and the rest of the team for their efforts and it has been a pleasure coaching them and I am convinced that they will only get better as they progress through the school.

U13

This team had a good season and the highlight was a one score defeat to Maidstone Grammar School in October and a win against Dulwich Prep School.

The team grew in confidence as the season progressed and a strong performance against St. Lawrence College in December illustrated how much the team had developed their skills, technical ability and game understanding. Ethan Pearson had an excellent season, playing at number eight he led by example and was man of the match on numerous occasions. He was ably supported by Henry Lucas, William Smith, William Osborne, William Cunningham and Jude Campbell in all matches with many others playing well. Congratulations to the team and the coaches wish them luck and success as they head into the Intermediate rugby sides.

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FOOTBALL

1st XI

The 1st team football squad had a very competitive season playing against strong opposition on a high profile circuit. A number of matches were cancelled due to poor weather conditions, however fixtures included Cranleigh, Worth, Lingfield Notre Dame, St Bede's and Brighton College. The squad played some excellent composed football at times, defended exceptionally well and always posed a threat on the break. Highlights were at 3-2 win against St Bede's and a 1-1 draw against Lingfield Notre Dame.



Player of the season
James Found

2nd XI

In a season limited by the wintry weather, this team played three fixtures. Performances improved greatly with a strong display in the second half against Cranleigh School and overall performance of the season against Worth School.

A number of players were superb in their efforts but a special mention goes to Martin Richards, Angus Sutton and William Seys. Unfortunately a win eluded them but the team always played with character and in good spirit.

U15

Despite the unpredictable weather the U15 football team managed to play four fixtures, resulting in two victories and two defeats. This is a very promising squad with lots of natural talent and hopefully as they progress into the senior teams next season they will have a positive impact and show how good they can be.

Notable performances came from Joe Baxter who scored three goals in the 5-0 victory over Clarendon, Jake Hardy who has performed superbly in goal throughout the season, Tom May and Adam Kirkbright who also scored three goals against Battle Abbey School.

U14

Matches were played against Buckswood, King's Canterbury and Mascalls School and the rest of the fixtures fell victim to the weather and poor pitch conditions. Harry Brushett was the pick of the squad with consistently good performances and a stand out 30 yard strike that nestled in the top corner against Mascalls School. Sam Marshall was also strong in midfield, whilst Ethan Marshall developed a solid centre back partnership with Jack Casedejus, and Charlie Carpenter was a very able goalkeeper.

U13

The U13 team had a successful season as they played some strong opposition yet worked well together and played some very good football. An early defeat to Lingfield Notre Dame did not dampen their enthusiasm and they improved massively to win the return match two weeks later. The best performance came against Dulwich Prep School where the boys were particularly effective in attack and the game finished 2-2. A win against Clarendon and 3-4 defeat to Sevenoaks were also stand out performances. Bethany should look forward to what these boys can offer in years to come as they will develop into a competent side.



Player of the season
Henry Lucas

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CRICKET

1st XI



The team had a good season with a number of wins. James Found captained the side well and was ably supported by Adam Ranson. All players, but in particular Fred Roberts and Bud Hedges, grew in confidence as the season progressed and contributed with excellent batting and bowling displays. Buckswood, Ashford and Mascalls Schools were all well beaten in a winning run at the start of the season.

The weather then turned for the worst and the "Forty Club" match was cancelled as was the match against Rochester. The season got underway again against Cranbrook and although the team lost their first game a committed effort by all players was a credit to Bethany. In the final game of the season, St Lawrence College proved too strong for Bethany on a day when conditions on the Ramsgate coast were incredibly difficult. A good season overall with some excellent individual performances, and the players should be proud of their efforts.

The U15 cricket team have had an outstanding season, winning six out of their seven games.

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U15

The U15 cricket team have had an outstanding season, winning six out of their seven games as well as being victorious in the Rochester 6's tournament, without losing a single wicket.

This team has tremendous potential and the ability to become extremely successful. Notable performances throughout the season came from Jake Hardy, Thomas May, Henry Olnier and Kipp Popert who all bowled superbly, taking wickets and helping the team to achieve success. Connor Knapp, Lloyd Roberts and George Dinnis all fielded well, keeping the oppositions score low. Finally, James White and Adam Kirkbright lead the

team with maturity and skill proving themselves as they both scored lots of runs as well as taking a number of wickets. I look forward to their progress next season.

U14

The U14 cricket squad have had a successful season with some very good cricket being played. Having won the Granville 6's tournament on home turf and beaten Lingfield Notre Dame, King's Rochester and Gad's Hill in 20/20 cricket the boys were in good spirit and their confidence grew rapidly. Sam Marshall and Matthew Page were excellent captains and their leadership both on and off the field was superb. All of the boys in the squad have batted and bowled very well and it has been great seeing them improve.

U13



This team had a very solid season picking up wins against Gad's Hill and Battle Abbey and losing narrowly in the last over to both Lingfield Notre Dame and Rochester.

The team ensured they finished on a high with a fantastic win over Ashford School, reaching a 106 total to win in 12 overs. Captain Ethan Pearson played a number of strong innings with the bat and was ably supported by Will Smith who scored 50 against Ashford. James Golding and William Cunningham also played well, scoring good runs, particularly against Battle Abbey. Joe Ferguson grew in confidence as the season progressed and will be a key player next season.

CROSS COUNTRY

Junior Boys Cross Country

After the first match of the season at Claremont School was aborted due to traffic problems, the boys went to the Granville League match at Dover College keen and ready to compete. In biting wind and heavy rain the boys took on the course. In a field of 50 runners, Leo Rossouw led from the start, and won the race in style, finishing a full 2 minutes ahead of the 2nd place runner. Will Smith finished a strong 7th with James Clarke a credible 11th in his debut cross country race. The team finished 3rd place overall.

The team then competed in the annual Knole Run at Sevenoaks School. In this very reputable event with a field of over 300 runners, Leo Rossouw was again in excellent form and finished 5th place overall. Well done to the rest of the team who finished lower down the field but never gave up.



TENNIS

Senior Boys' Tennis



The senior boys tennis team entered the Aegon National competition and although they were drawn in a very tough league containing Bexhill Tennis Academy and Sevenoaks School, they performed well. Sam Hewes led the team with energy, picking up a number of games along the way while youngest members, Christopher Threshie and Joseph Holland always gave their all. Jake Martin made up the quartet and played to the best of his abilities in all matches.

Junior County Tennis Championships

Congratulations to all students who took part in the Kent County Tennis Tournament. A team of boys and girls headed off to Bromley Tennis Centre to play in a competition with over 50 other schools from the county present. Playing in a doubles format and leagues of up to 7 teams, the Bethany players did very well. Special mentions go to Sam Marshall and Ethan Marshall who qualified from their league to play in the knock out plate competition.



A controlled display with good service returns throughout the morning saw the boys win one of their matches and pick up valuable games in others. A strong Norton Knatchbull pair over powered the boys in the knock out stages but well done to the team for their determination. Our girls pairing of Heather Armstrong and India Hoad played exceptionally well to get through to the main draw, playing opposition who were a year older. Also Georgina Hill and Emilia Wyllie held their own to progress through to the plate competition where they played their best game and were unfortunate to be knocked out by Maidstone Girls Grammar. Well done to all players who improved their tennis and enjoyed playing on the day.



SCHOOL COLOURS

RUGBY

FULL

Samuel Helesfay
Tristan Smith

HALF

Luke Kavanagh
Jamie Hagerty
Tom Maynard
James Found
Connor Kirkbright

GIRLS' HOCKEY

FULL

Jessica Leaper
Amanda Hill
Georgia Jackson

HALF

Fran Kenny
Amelia Howell
Natasha Brattle
Olivia Douglas
Jemima Harris
Rosie Wood

FOOTBALL

FULL

James Found
Samuel Helesfay

HALF

Luke Kavanagh
Toby Lansdale
Connor Kirkbright

NETBALL

FULL

Jessica Leaper
Georgia Jackson

HALF

Amanda Hill
Olivia Douglas
Natasha Brattle
Theresa Brattle
Alice Healy

CRICKET

FULL

James Found

HALF

Bud Hedges
Fred Roberts
Billy Daus
Jake Martin

ROUNDERS

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Fran Kenney

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Thea Marshall
Rosie Wood

YEAR 11 HONOURS CERTIFICATES

RUGBY

Joshua Leaper

GIRLS' HOCKEY

Kate Luxford
Frankie Holmes
Amelia Page
Antonia Brattle
Amy Tucker

CRICKET

Adam Ranson
James Lutch

ROUNDERS

Antonia Brattle
Kate Luxford
Amelia Page
Amy Tucker
Frankie Holmes
Ciara Reddy
Amelia Clark



SPORTS DAY

Congratulations to all competitors who took part in an exciting and action packed sports afternoon on Wednesday 8th May. Many events were keenly contested with the crowd cheering on the KRS representatives. Congratulations go to Speakers with a score of 139, they retain the shield and are crowned champions for the second year running. A very special mention and performance of the day goes to Leo Rossouw who broke the U13 School record for the 1500m.



SPORTS AND HOUSE AWARDS

RUGBY

LAWRIE MANN TROPHY
Greatest Contribution To 1st XV Rugby
Samuel Helesfay

THE HALFHIDE CUP
Most Improved 1st XV Player
Joshua Leaper

THE STUBBS TROPHY
Greatest Contribution To Junior Rugby
Nat Pearson

GIRLS' HOCKEY

Most Improved
Natasha Brattle

Player Of The Season
Jemima Harris

Greatest Contribution To Junior Hockey
Rachel McDermott

FOOTBALL

AMBROSE ROGERS FOOTBALL CUP
Contribution To Football
James Found

Top Goal Scorer
Daniel Blewett

THE HALFHIDE CUP
Most Improved 1st XI Player
Luke Kavanagh

NETBALL

PIPPA BLACKMAN TROPHY
Contribution To Netball
Rosie Wood

Senior Netball Most Improved
Frankie Holmes

Contribution To Junior Netball
Rachel McDermott

CRICKET

NIGEL KIMBER CRICKET CUP
1st XI
James Found

RAY RICHARD CUP
All-Round Achievement In Junior Cricket
James White

JACK WHITE SHIELD
Best Bowling Average
Adam Ranson

ROUNDERS

Greatest contribution to Senior Rounders Award
Jemima Harris

Greatest contribution to Junior Rounders Award
Grace Hebblethwaite

JOHNSON TROPHY
Most Rounders Scored In A Season
Mary Hunter

ATHLETICS SPORTS

GORDAN WING CUP
Intermediate Boys Victor Ludorum
Henry Olnor

PETER GREENHILL CUP
Junior Boys Victor Ludorum
Leo Rossouw (Record Breaker!)

Intermediate Girls Victrix Ludorum
Emma Askew

Junior Girls Victrix Ludorum
Ella Dockery

JUNIOR AWARDS

MARRIOTT JUNIOR BOY AWARD
Performance & Commitment
Ethan Pearson

MARRIOTT JUNIOR GIRL AWARD
Performance & Commitment
Jessica Nicholls

DAMIEN LEE JONES MEMORIAL CUP
Overall Contribution To School Sport
Daniel Blewett

activities week

Monday

Monday

On Monday Years 7-10 were involved in problem solving and team building on site. They were divided into small teams across year groups and spent the day overcoming obstacles and finding shared solutions to a range of unexpected challenges. The activities on offer were Australian cooking, swimming, junior production, dance, football, outdoor painting, camouflage, games and other outdoor activities. In the camouflage activity they attempted to disappear into natural surroundings after applying camouflage. They also learnt about habitats whilst surrounded by nature. In the cookery activity they were challenged to create various Australian animals with prizes for the best presentation. The Year 7 girls travelled to a nursing home where they choreographed a fashion show, then took time to speak to the residents.

Speed interviewing is the new thing. The Lower Sixth group had a very intensive and entertaining session on 'what makes a good interview' and this led to each student having the opportunity to be the interviewer and the interviewee. The questions were tough and after 5 minutes they had to move onto the next set of questions and so on. During the group interview they had 20 minutes to discuss the topic 'Education in Britain today' and were assessed in small groups on their contributions. In addition they had two visiting speakers who came to provide some light relief. They talked about the world of insurance, interviewing techniques and charity work and were entertaining speakers. The group also learnt about the dangers of driving. Finally they were given the opportunity to fine-tune their personal statements, talked through the UCAS 'log-in' process and began filling in their UCAS forms in preparation for their application to University.



Tuesday

This was a fun day for the Year 7s who enjoyed a trip to Howletts Zoo. During their visit they saw a range of animals whilst considering the challenge of the preservation of endangered species. After a talk about gorillas the group enjoyed an ice cream to keep them cool.

The Year 8 group visited Dover Museum and discovered the history of travel. They also learnt about the seaside and in the afternoon they travelled to Dover Castle. The group was astounded by the sheer size of the castle and marvelled at the view.

Year 9 stayed at School where they took part in a financial management course to enhance their personal finance skills. This annual 'Learn to Earn' session provided information on salaries, interview techniques and taxes through completion of practical exercises. They were visited by various speakers and trainers from the corporate and business world to expand their knowledge.

On Tuesday and Wednesday the Year 10 group were divided so that they could participate in different activities over the two days. They alternately completed team building tasks and a nine mile walk around Bewl Water. The team building games saw the students pool their abilities to overcome obstacles as a team rather than as an individual. They completed a low ropes course, used planks to cross a deadly crevasse and crawled through a spider's web without touching the structure. Then they participated in a canoeing session where they were taught paddling skills before a game of canoe rugby! The next day the students took part in a scenic walk around Bewl Water, stopping for lunch before heading back.

A highlight for the Sixth Form was joining forces with students from Tunbridge Wells Grammar School for Boys and the girls from Kent College, Pembury for an 'Entrepreneurship Master class' which was hosted at Bethany. The three guest speakers were local entrepreneurs who started, and in some cases sold their private enterprises. They talked about the attributes most entrepreneurs have, their own businesses and how to spot a good investment. Students also took part in several interactive activities including choosing a business to purchase, finding out about their own strengths, and 'entrepreneurship speed dating'! In the afternoon they were given advice on financial planning and by the end of the session they were authorities on accounting, investing, bookkeeping and making sure they would survive at university without going bankrupt!



activities week



Wednesday

On Wednesday the Year 7 group travelled to Battle and visited the museum, observing various weapons and they learnt about the difficult conditions that the soldiers and cavalry had to endure. They then performed a re-enactment of the battle in the field where it took place. On the way back they completed basic orienteering and bushcraft skills at Bedgebury Pinetum.

The Year 8 students were fortunate enough to absorb London's culture and learn about the history of London's Southbank. After a leisurely walk along the River Thames the pupils had a bit of free time to explore the wonders of the Tate Modern Gallery. After lunch the students strolled down the river walking past St Paul's Cathedral where they had an ice cream and prepared for the second museum of the day. The Bank of England museum proved popular with our students who managed to crack the code to win a gold bullion badge. For our stronger students the chance to hold a real gold ingot proved attractive! The day finished with a wander around Borough Market and football on the Headmaster's lawn when they arrived back at School.

Year 9 travelled to the Historic Dockyard in Chatham where they explored ships and a submarine whilst learning about maritime history. The submarine, Ocelot, amazed the students with its efficiency as every inch of space was utilised. They also had a team building exercise where they had to navigate a path through a minefield ensuring the safety of their team.

The next morning the Sixth Form visited Sussex University and were given an interactive presentation on student life, a tour of the university and a very helpful presentation on what makes the perfect UCAS personal statement.



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Thursday

After an early start Year 7 and 8 set off for a day of discovery in France. Their first destination was the V2 rocket base at La Coupole. As they were led through the tunnels they soon discovered the astonishing story behind their creation. After this humbling experience they enjoyed an afternoon on the beach playing ball games and basking in the sun.

The Year 9 group went to Hastings for a fieldwork activity day consisting of a treasure hunt, sketching boats with Head of Art, Mr Norgrove and a geography session with Mr Simmons, who enthused the students with hands on experience of coastal erosion, rock strata, coastal management and much more. The group then learnt about the history of Hastings and walked around the town on a treasure hunt gaining information from the local population.

Year 10 spent the day at Bethany and were split into four different teams. They competed to win crystals which would add up to prizes at the end of the day. The team challenges were difficult but teams gradually started working together and improved after each event.

The Lower Sixth enjoyed a day out at Thorpe Park where they made themselves dizzy whilst speeding through the air at breakneck speed, at a considerable height, and frequently upside down!

Thanks to all the staff and pupils for making the annual activities week so rewarding and such good fun it was a pleasure to participate.

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D O F E 2013

DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD

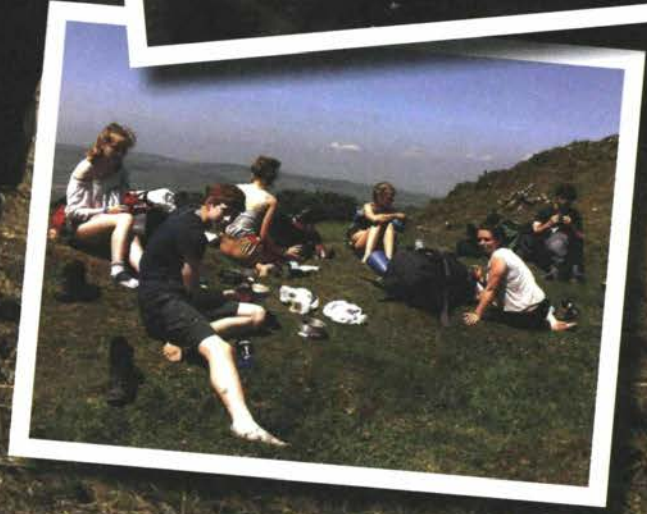


This year the numbers of students participating in the Duke of Edinburgh's Award scheme were, 33 Year 10's embarking on their Bronze Award, 26 Year 11's continuing with their Silver Award and 31 pupils preparing for their Gold Award.

The electronic DofE system that participants use to record their progress through their chosen Award is now fully implemented and it is easier to monitor the progress of our students. Each participant has their own unique web page onto which they can upload evidence for each section of the Award and they can then see at a glance how they are doing. Examples of some activities they are currently involved in include: archery, bee keeping, cadets, clay pigeon shooting, climbing, cooking, dance appreciation, dog walking, embroidery, gardening and recycling.

Expeditions for the Bronze Award participants included a practice on the North Downs in freezing conditions, which resulted in the students pitching their tents inside a barn due to the weather conditions, and a much kinder qualifying expedition in the Surrey Hills.

The Silver Award candidates spent four reasonably sunny, but windy, days in Dorset for their practice, but the weather for their qualifying expedition in the Peak District in September was less accommodating, although it did improve for their final day. Despite this, they all successfully completed the expedition. The Gold Award is of course meant to be a challenge and it certainly was, with two practice expeditions to Snowdonia and the Lake District in weather conditions that provided a steep learning curve on mountain regions and the impact it can have on people and their kit.



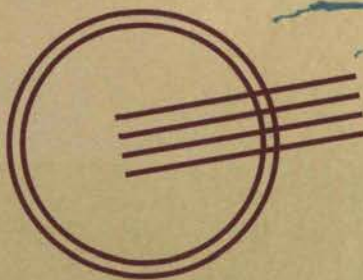
The group undertaking their qualifying expedition survived the storm force gales on the first night to go on to complete their 4 day, 50 mile trek across the Lake District, although they did look extremely happy to see the minibus at the finish point.

As always, Bethany would not be able to offer the DofE Award to our students without the tremendous support of a large number of the staff, who continue to give up their precious weekends and holiday time. A major plus point during the year was Cliff Cooper's successful completion of the Mountain Leader award, which qualifies him to lead groups in the mountain regions of the UK. This is part of a continuous process of training that members of staff, contributing to the delivery of the DofE Award at Bethany, undertake to ensure that the award is delivered to the highest standards.

I would like to give particular thanks to Sue Thorpe, for her support and hard work; she continues to make a significant contribution to the success of the DofE scheme at Bethany.

Dave Scholedge

POSTCARDS FROM



Departures

NEW YORK

Sitting at JFK airport during February half term, waiting for the return flight to Heathrow was a good time to reflect upon the tremendous success of the five day Media and Business Studies trip to New York. If the feedback from the 34 students was anything to go by, the trip was 'awesome.'

'The amazing, energetic buzz of New York is something I will never forget.'

'I loved exploring the city with my friends and really enjoyed the trip to Times Square.'

'My favourite part of the trip was the NBC studio tour; it was really interesting and interactive.'

The Media group had excellent guided tours of the Museum of Moving Image and NBC studios. The Business Studies students had valuable visits to the Museum of Finance and Macey's Department store. All students enjoyed the Harlem Globetrotters basketball extravaganza at Madison Square Gardens, the boat tour out to the Statue of Liberty, the stunning view from the top of The Empire State Building and the visit to Times Square to see the musical Annie. In addition the various walking tours took us past the United Nations Building, into the hugely impressive Grand Central Station and to the edge of Central Park. All students gained an idea of how Media and Business Studies techniques were used to market these attractions. The tour ended with a very moving tour of the 9/11 site, a tour of the museum and an emotional talk by one of the fire fighters who had first-hand experience of the destruction of the Twin Towers.



Departures

BARBADOS

After two years of planning, fundraising and waiting; the bags were packed and the Bethany Barbados Sports Tour headed off to Gatwick Airport. After a hectic day of travelling, day two was all about acclimatisation and a fantastic day on the beach and in the warm sea was just the ticket. Snorkelling with turtles and a ride on a glass bottom boat really started the bonding process.

The Cricket and Netball teams started well, were competitive and both won their matches. The students were finding the heat very testing and it was great credit to the teams that they won. Over the next few days the teams played well though there were unfortunately no wins for Cricket but the Netball team fared a little better.

At the end of the tour a catamaran cruise was welcome relief from the discipline of the matches and a real taste of the millionaire's lifestyle. All the participants had memories to cherish of this fantastic cultural and sporting experience. The party was a pleasure to be on tour with and a credit to the School.





Departures

ITALY/SPAIN

The ski party travelled in style on the England U21 football team coach to Italy. The tree lined ski slopes of Bardonecchia were beautiful and the group were lucky to experience super skiing conditions. The sun shone brightly and the Bethany students carved up the slopes. This was the venue for the Turin 2006 Winter Olympic Snowboarding competition, and all our groups enjoyed a ski down the Olympic slopes and were in awe of the size of the jumps.

This was a great experience and many students progressed to a very good standard by the end of the week.

Andalusia

The students enjoyed a busy schedule and made the most of their Spanish lessons, cultural activities and excursions. Staying in the idyllic town of Ronda in the heart of the “Serranía de Ronda”, one of Andalusia’s numerous mountain ranges, we visited the oldest bull-ring in the world and soaked up many aspects of the Spanish way of life.

We stayed in a friendly family-run hotel in the heart of Ronda. I loved the food! On the fourth day we had chocolate con churros – yum. ”

There are lots of theories as to the origins of “tapas”, but it is widely thought that tapas originated when a “tapa” [a lid/small plate] was placed over a glass to stop insects falling into one’s drink. Eventually bits of food, cheese or meat, were then placed on the lid/plate to accompany the wine or beer, giving birth to the tapa. Mr Atkey, who led the trip, Mr Richard and Mrs Price would like to thank each student for making the trip such a success.



Departures

TAIWAN

On the 22nd of October five students (Izzy Fatah, James Loxley, Fran Kenney, Tristan Smith and Theresa Brattle), plus one member of staff (Miss Berry), headed out to Lishan High School in Taipei as part of the School’s exchange programme, which is run every year. Bethany pupils stay with students from Lishan High School, to experience the culture of Taiwan and see what life as a Taiwanese student is really like.

All of the Bethany pupils were surprised by how long the school day is in Taiwan, with students getting to school at 7.30am and not leaving until after 5pm. Many also participate in extra lessons after school. Our students were also really humbled by the warmth, hospitality and kindness shown by the students and staff at the school. When not at school, students were shown the wonders of Taipei, including Taipei 101, night markets, a bike ride beside the river and the world famous Jade Cabbage at the National Palace Museum. They also enjoyed free time with their host families, shrimping, mountain trekking and watching break dancing competitions. The food was also a very hot topic of conversation, they experienced Jelly Fish, Stinky Tofu, Bubble Tea and Pig Blood Cake! All the students involved had an amazing time and were sorry to leave their Taiwanese friends. However, the exchange programme continues, with students from Lishan High School expected to visit Bethany in January.

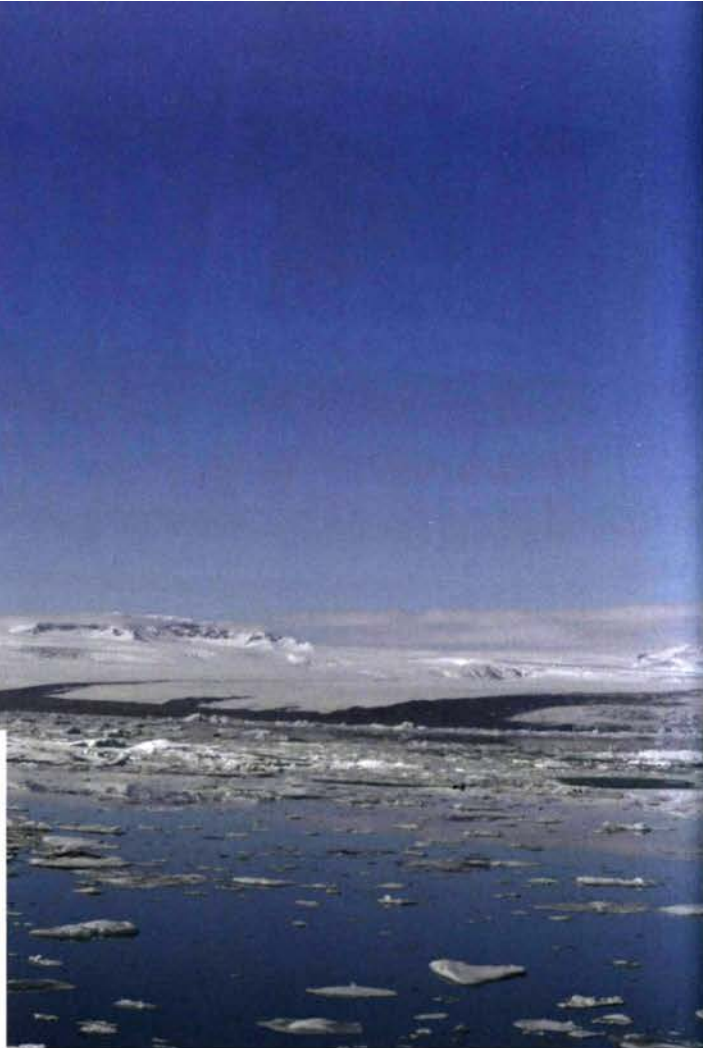
On the return leg of the trip our four guests were Aaron (Yun-Chung HSIAO), Jasmine (Chen-Jung CHANG), David (Wei-Long, HUANG) and Jim (Yu-Chun OU). The lucky Bethany hosts were Alice Healy, Joseph Holland, Georgie Marland, Nat Marshall, and Brendton Theunissen. Our guests arrived after a sixteen hour flight and the Bethany pupils went to Heathrow to welcome them. In addition to attending lessons and experiencing British life they also had a range of planned activities, such as a visit to Wimbledon. We very much enjoyed hosting this friendly group of students.

ICELAND TRIP

In March, 37 lucky pupils took the trip of a life time to Iceland where they experienced things that will stay in their memory for life. The teachers who led this trip; Miss Leach, Mr Khan, Mrs Digby and Mr Simmons kept the experience fresh and alive as they guided the group through the mountains, glaciers and unpredictable weather with the professional help of a dedicated Icelandic tour guide.



Almost immediately after landing, Bethany School pupils soaked up the atmosphere as they bathed in the naturally heated Blue Lagoon. During the 6 day trip, the most memorable moment came when the group walked through a rift valley towering over the North American and Eurasian tectonic plates. This amazing day ended with the breathtaking Gullfoss Waterfall; a spectacular display of tumbling water colliding with rocks. The group then experienced the ruins of a glacier at the Eyjafjallaökull flood plain where they walked across a beach with blackened sand and sculptured blocks of ice carved by the ocean. Next on the agenda was a drive across the desolate Myrdalssandur, 700km of sand flats formed by glacial water. The group continued onto a glacier itself, experiencing views beyond the imagination and they enjoyed sledging down a wall of snow. Another highlight was Jokulsarlon glacial lagoon which was the very spot in which The James Bond film 'Die Another Day' was filmed.



Jack Maynard



Anthony Khan



Joshua Leaper

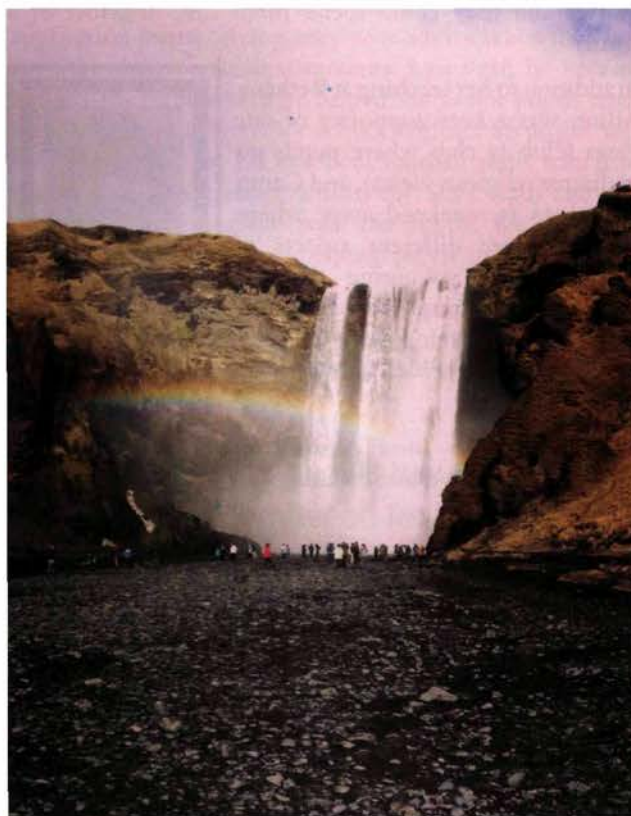
The pupils and staff who visited Iceland at Easter were invited to submit one photo each for a photography competition. The winning prize was a £30 Amazon voucher and, more importantly, the winning photo was enlarged and displayed in School. Iceland is a beautiful and dramatic landscape where the photo opportunities are rich and exciting. Many pupils took in excess of 400 pictures each so choosing just one was very difficult. The staff were also allowed to enter and both Mr Khan and Mr Simmons took hundreds of pictures every day and Mrs Lindsey was more selective. Mr Khan's photo won and went on display in the dining room. He kindly passed on his prize to George Dinnis in Year 8 and his photo will be enlarged and hung on display.



George Dinnis



Sophie Marland



Angus Blewett

STAFF MOVES



ALISON HODGES

Alison taught at Bethany for 4½ years in the Dyslexia and Learning Support Department. She decided to move to a different part of the country so that her husband's commute was considerably shorter and they could spend more time together as a family.

In addition to her teaching at Bethany Alison was a keen supporter of our Pizza Club (a club where pupils go to discuss religious views), and Camp Pepperoni (a weekend away where pupils explore different aspects of religion whilst swinging through the trees!). Through these sessions Alison enjoyed seeing the pupils in a different context which allowed her a special relationship with them.

The pupils will miss Alison's calm and considered approach, her systematic teaching and her ability to always see the funny side.

Mrs Harper



REVEREND BENTHAM

Father Phillip 'Ben' Bentham came to Bethany in January 2008, having worked for many years as a missionary in both Africa and South America. He arrived in the UK with his family from Chile in 2007. At the time of his interview here, he was about to commence a one term interregnum Chaplaincy at St John's School Leatherhead, and he was looking for a more permanent appointment.

Ben brought with him a strong sense of how Bethany pupils need to appreciate their privilege, and the responsibility that goes with it. 'Rev,' as he became known to the parents and children of the community at Curtisden Green, was a 'conviction chaplain', eager to emphasise that values and morals could be absolute in an ever shifting and increasingly relativistic society. He argued strongly that children, of all faiths and none, should keep an open mind about those fundamental questions about our nature and origin which religions try to answer, and, as a northerner stuck in the South, he spoke directly and honestly all the time. Rev liked nothing better than to generate discussion among the pupil body about the content of his chapels and was very willing to debate his views with colleagues and pupils alike.

Rev was very accommodating of all the denominations and worked very well with the local parishes and priests. Rev was not afraid to put the hours in, he started very early in the morning and was often seen in his classroom late at night.

All of us appreciated his northern sense of humour and his honesty in all of his dealings. He was also a very good guitar player which he played in Chapel occasionally. His exploits at Camp Pepperoni were legendary, and he was always on campus to provide counsel and support to Bethany pupils. Staff and parents who came to his prayer support evenings were grateful for Rev's openness and willingness to talk about matters from the theological to the everyday. Rev has left us to go north of Watford, all the way to Durham School in Northumbria, with his wife Lisa and two sons. We wish them every success in their continued adventures.

Mr Healy



ANNE WOOD

Anne joined us seven years ago when she introduced the magic of Food Technology into the Design & Technology Department and the curriculum for the first time. The birth of the Food Tech room and all that then followed has really been down to the guidance, dedication, determination and utter perseverance of Anne.

We all knew Anne had arrived at Bethany when it came to Wednesday assemblies. As a body of staff, I think it is fair to say that we were not used to so many certificates being given out during the weekly Headmaster's Assembly. All of a sudden pupils were being presented with lots of Food Technology awards and we did not really understand why. We soon found out that Anne was putting so much time into her lesson preparation and teaching which enabled ALL pupils to achieve success.



Anne really does deserve much praise and admiration for the way she introduced and then pushed the subject forward. The Design and Technology Department will certainly miss Anne's dedication and the way she was always on top of her game and always willing to put in that extra effort to help all of those around her.

For those of us that have seen Anne teach, one of her many talents was keeping the more energetic Year 11 pupils on target and focused by her inspirational lessons. I am sure that having all those sharp kitchen utensils around to aid Anne in her discipline techniques was a great benefit!

Anne strived to spread God's love at Bethany. Heavily involved in the weekly lunchtime chaplaincy clubs, Anne was passionate about sharing her faith and introducing the students to Christianity in an approachable and fun way. Anne also coordinated an annual chaplaincy weekend away, Camp Pepperoni, at Carrot Wood Adventure Centre, for many years. These weekends allow the students to explore their faiths in an open and honest forum, whilst filling their spare time with exciting outdoor activities. Anne's dedication and commitment to our school faith is hugely appreciated and missed.

Anne worked so hard during her time here at Bethany and I hope she really does enjoy her retirement. We all wish Anne and her family the very best for the future. We of course will miss her greatly.

Mr Norman



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STEPHANE RICHARD

Stephane came to Bethany in February 2011 as a replacement for Doctor Ducolombier who was on maternity leave. He had always had a special interest in British culture, especially in its music, and he decided to settle in the United Kingdom 10 years ago.

Stephane brought with him a strong commitment to teach the importance of learning a second language and he worked hard to allow his students to achieve the best results possible in their examinations. As a Sixth Form tutor, he helped his tutees to complete their university application forms, giving very wise advice when they had to write their personal statements. Last year, he became a Todmans tutor where he helped the junior pupils settle well into their new senior school regime. Stephane will be remembered for his excellent football skills which he displayed to great effect within the Staff team and also during activities sessions with the pupils. We wish him well on his next chapter helping pupils to achieve their full potential.

Mr Mourey



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ANNE KELLY

Anne has left the Bethany team after 18 years and has been a key player in the Art Department throughout those years, raising the profile and standard of Textiles, initially as a component of Art and Design and then in more recent years a subject in its own right. From humble beginnings housed in a small 8x15ft space at the back of the Drawing Office, she moved to the old classroom which is now the House Keeper's storeroom, and then to the palace that now dominates the Benians building.



Regardless of the working conditions, Anne has always remained passionate about her subject, driving numerous pupils to not only excel in their craft, but also to instil the same enthusiasm and inspire them to take the subject further upon leaving school.

Of the 84 pupils who have studied Textiles over the last 6 years, 11 have secured A*'s 34 have achieved A's and 24 B's. Anne also organised the annual fashion show and in the process raised money for Hospice in the Weald and the Lymphoma Association while at the same time showcasing the very best work created by our students.

A bit like Sir Alex Ferguson, she has also conquered Europe with the Department and has helped organise trips, lost cameras and sampled the very best coffee and cake in Amsterdam, Paris, Florence, Nice, Rome, Madrid, Barcelona, Venice and most recently New York.

A little known Trivial Pursuit question: What have Michelangelo, Leonardo da Vinci, Raphael and Anne Kelly, got in common? Answer. They have all produced Art works for the Pope.

Very few Art teachers can boast a claim to fame like this, but then there have been very few art teachers quite like Anne, our best wishes go with you.

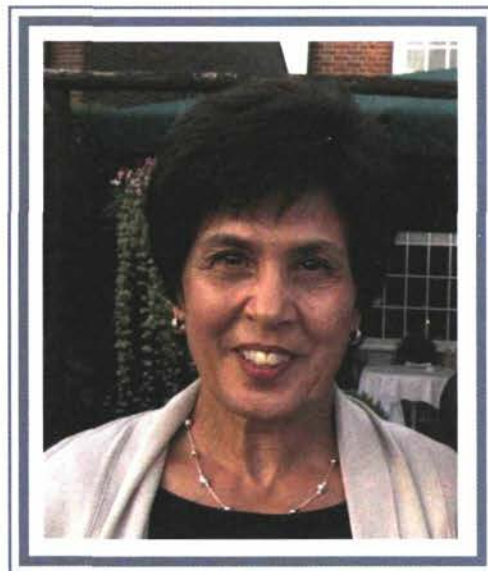
Mr Norgrove



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LORRAINE LOVELACE

Lorraine is one of those people in life about whom nobody has a bad word to say. This is because she was kind, passionate, caring, discreet and loyal. Lorraine joined Bethany in November 2000 and quickly established herself as a trusted Personal Assistant. Always kind and measured, she was very calm in her role and a reassurance to everyone around her.



Lorraine served my predecessor Nick Dorey and I wonderfully well. I valued her advice and counsel and I had complete faith, trust and confidence in everything that she both said and did. Initially, Lorraine only came here for a few years but enjoyed it so much that she decided to extend her stay which was to Bethany's great benefit. She could always judge each situation perfectly. Her only inability in life was to consistently misjudge the weather in the West Country when she went for her annual holidays. I cannot remember the last time she went when it didn't rain! Lorraine's constant presence at Bethany is being missed and we all wish her well in her retirement with her husband Terry. Prior to her departure she informed me that her husband had lined up all sorts of jobs for her in her retirement and therefore I suspect that she is even busier now than she was at Bethany!

Mr Healy



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☺ SUZANNE (ZAN) ALEXANDER ☺



How in just a few words can the gap Zan will leave in the Art Department and the Common Room after her four years with us be described? She would agree that one of the hardest things to get Sixth Form Photographers to do in class is to get them to use subject specific vocabulary at every opportunity. So here goes...

Never one to be *negative* or *flash*, Zan has developed a real *flare* as a teacher of photography at Bethany. With whichever *crop* of pupils she was working, she always struck the *white balance* and her *sensitivity* and *sharpness* have clearly helped her to *focus* on the *process*. She rarely *bellows* or gets *agitated* and has never been one to *dodge* her responsibilities. By *contrast* in fact, she has a *resolution* that allows her to *shutter* self off from any *DIN* or background distractions. Whenever asked to *fixer* problem in class, she would always *zoom* in on it. She would *burn* across the classroom in her *hot shoes* and get a *grip* on the situation.

In Chapel whether Gareth was playing in a *high key* or a *low key* her singing voice was amazing. *Leica* lark, that was always the way *Zansung*. Zan also helped out in Food Technology and as we all know her *Brownies* are second to none.

The Art Department will miss the expertise and sanity Zan brought to the Photography A/S and A2 sets and her own unique way of looking at or tackling a creative problem. We are also grateful to her for her work with the KS3 and Sixth Form Art classes and Food Tech as well as the contribution she made to the School's Marketing Department.

Bethany's loss is Roedeans' gain and we all wish Zan well as she moves to pastures new in East Sussex.

Mr Norgrove



☺ SHARON THOMPSON ☺

Sharon joined Bethany in 2004, having followed her sons here as she liked the school so much! She worked in the Dyslexia and Learning Support Department department and she also enjoyed being a tutor. Sharon joined in with many extra-curricular activities even qualifying as a lifeguard to help out with swimming.



Always fiercely loyal to her tutees, Sharon enjoyed the challenge of her last Year 11 tutor group, pacifying them with cakes and coca cola during Thursday tutor times and enjoying listening to their latest escapades! A fitness fanatic, Sharon spent many an hour in her spare time at the gym, spinning and running and putting us all to shame. We wish her luck a she moves out of the area to join her partner, Martin and enjoy a new life together.

Mrs Harper



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☺ PETER ATKEY ☺

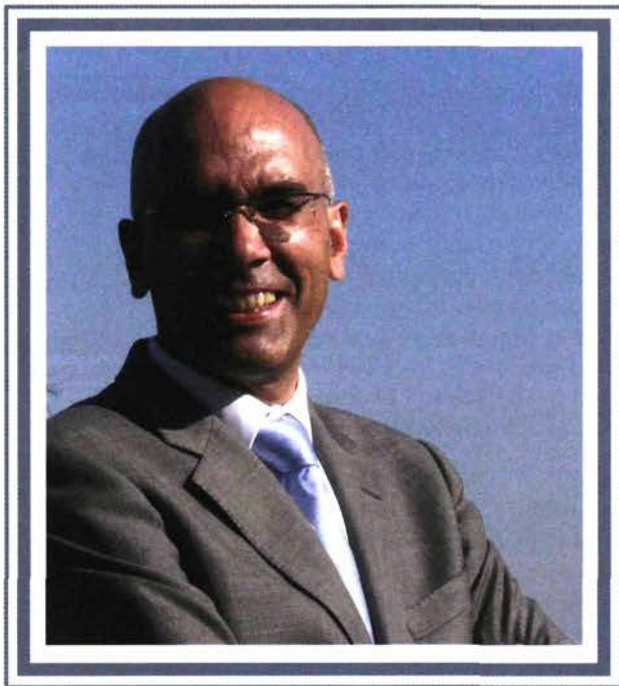
Peter joined Bethany in September 2012 as maternity cover for Miss Romero in the Spanish department and as an assistant Housemaster in The Mount. It was the first time Peter had been resident in a boarding house and he was very brave to take it on!

The boys quickly warmed to Peter and they enjoyed many takeaway evenings with him, as well as a house visit to the cinema. Peter also enjoyed the company of the other resident staff and honed his cricket skills playing for the staff 'Strollers' cricket team. In the department Peter oversaw a successful academic trip to Spain, where he proved to be the font of all knowledge when it came to finding a good tapas bar. Alas a year went all too quickly and Peter left Bethany to teach on the Isle of Wight. Peter leaves with our good wishes and gratitude for all he contributed over the year.



Mr Khan





☺ **GARRY SIMMONS** ☺

Garry started working at Bethany in 2004 as a Geography teacher and Assistant Housemaster in The Orchard and quickly became very popular with staff and students. He worked closely alongside the then Head of Geography Chris Fisher and together they raised the status of Geography within Bethany. During his time here Garry did many things, the most important of which was to marry Karen and they now have three children Lloyd, Stella, and Lois.

During the 9 years he was at Bethany Garry inspired hundreds of pupils to not only love the subject but to get involved with it and in effect to live it. His passion, dedication and new ideas led to the Geography department being awarded "centre of excellence" status in 2012. Throughout his time at Bethany Garry has treated us to new and exciting methods of teaching, overhauled technology in the department and been a fantastic friend and colleague to work with each day.

Garry is a remarkable and talented teacher and both students and teachers will have their favourite memories of his time at Bethany. Some may remember his excitement at using the flip cams; others perhaps his delight in Iceland. Some teachers will remember his epic dancing at our Christmas party, or his contribution to the Christian ethos of the school, particularly his singing in chapel. As someone who had the privilege of working alongside Garry for three years it is difficult to pick one thing. His gentle nature and sparkling personality made everyone feel happy and welcomed. I asked our Sixth Form students what to write and they simply stated "Gaz is a legend." His catch phrase of "Real places, real people, real Geography" will be forever remembered.

Garry leaves Bethany to join Wilmington Grammar School for Girls as their Head of Geography. Whilst he is sorely missed, the move has also given him more time with his young family as he lives in Dartford and the school is nearby, we wish him well in this new chapter.

Miss Leach



☺ **JOYCE STAPLETON** ☺

It says much about Joyce that even after students left The Mount they would still return, year after year, to see her, share how their time since being at Bethany was going, perhaps seek advice and certainly have a cup of tea!

Joyce started at Bethany in April 1995. She soon moved to The Mount where she stayed for the remainder of her time, eventually assuming in September 2010 the role of Housekeeper. Joyce always carried out her work with enthusiasm, efficiency and always with time to support both students and staff. The Mount team was very lucky to have Joyce as a member for so long; parents, staff and students alike were delighted to present her with a watercolour of The Mount as a leaving gift (pictured).



Joyce left Bethany in February 2013 to retire and support her husband, Mick. We wish Joyce all the best and send our grateful thanks for so many years of care.

Mr Khan



☺ **JACKIE DAWS** ☺

Jackie moved into her role as Cleaning Supervisor following the retirement of Mrs Small, and she quickly established herself in this new role, ordering cleaning materials and improving the cleaning schedules for both male and female members of staff by bringing in additional classroom cleaning in the mornings. Jackie was very committed in all that she undertook and was always willing to take on more challenges as they arose. She was particularly supportive of the students and staff in her housekeeping role and many remember her fondly when they revisit the School. We wish her well in the new found freedom of her retirement.



Mr Chapman





GARY AND SAM PARKER

After serving the catering needs of Bethany for the best part of a decade it was with genuine gratitude that the staff and pupils said a fond farewell to Gary and Sam Parker. Gary completed ten years of service and his wife Sam joined him after a year in post as the Catering Manager for Pabulum. Gary and Sam worked hard to deliver the menu preferences of the pupils as tastes changed and the diversity in English cuisine developed into the international menu that we enjoy today. It is said that an army marches on its' stomach, but it is equally true that a boarding school works on its catering. Gary and Sam worked with the Food Committee to deliver a menu that delivered on taste and energy, with the popular introduction of the 'subway' sandwich and the perennial favourites like banoffee pie. We thank them for all their hard work and wish them well with their future plans.

Mr Healy



MIKE HOLLMAN

Mike arrived at Bethany to teach Mathematics in September 1980. During his time at the School he seemed to find the secret of eternal youth. He looks the same now as he did 34 years ago! When Mike joined as a Head of Mathematics, he came with glowing references and was informed by the then headmaster, Christian Lanzer, that he had to live within eight miles of the School. How times have changed!

Given his length of service and his versatility and willingness to take on new challenges, it is no surprise that Mike had a variety of roles. In addition to being Head of Mathematics he also started ICT teaching, ran the Duke of Edinburgh's Award programme, was an Assistant Housemaster in Old Poplars when it was a boys' house and was then promoted to being a day boy Housemaster. For the last 24 years Mike, together with his devoted wife Gill, ran Kendon House. He has managed to successfully guide generation after generation of Bethany pupils with an expert hand through the turbulent years of adolescence. Numerous pupils return to Bethany and talk about their fond memories of being in Kendon, under Mike's stewardship. Not content with professional diversity Mike was also a keen sportsman while at the School and in particular he enjoyed cricket and badminton.

As Head of Maths, Mike proved to be a steady hand, seemingly unflappable and always supportive of those in his department. He taught pupils in all seven year groups and was very much at ease at all levels. Many Sixth Form have benefitted greatly from his teaching of Mathematics and Statistics and he was a teacher that all pupils respected.

Mike would not have been able to contribute so much of what he did at Bethany without the excellent support of his wife Gill, they made an excellent team.

Mr Healy



GILL HOLLMAN

Gill was also a faithful servant to Bethany and initially started off teaching cooking in her own kitchen in Kendon House. In later years Gill, always wanting to help others, decided to train as a learning support teacher and taught some of our dyslexic pupils and helped them improve their confidence and self-esteem in the process. Her involvement in House events and in giving support and advice to Mike was invaluable and much appreciated by all who knew her.

In short, Mike and Gill have been pillars of the Bethany community. As seems to be the custom now when energetic people take retirement, Mike and Gill have decided that the time has come to see more of the world and they have started off their new-found freedom by travelling. All those at Bethany miss them greatly and we wish Mike and Gill, many long years of happiness in their new home in Horsmonden.

Mr Healy



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EXCLUSIVE



Bethany School Poverty Day

We were proud of our Sixth Form students for organising the Bethany School Poverty Day alongside the fun events for Comic Relief on 15th March. Pupils had no electricity for the day, and held a raffle to see who would have a "luxury meal" and who would have to sit on the floor with no furniture in the dining room to eat their soup, roll and rice pudding. Head of School Jamie Hagerty said, "As Bethany is a fee paying school those that attend find themselves in a much more comfortable position than many people in the world today. We wanted to highlight and explore certain themes which are all linked to poverty, so we planned our 'poverty day' to bring home the message to both pupils and staff alike."



We would like to thank all of those who kindly donated their textiles for the "Phil the Bag" recycling scheme. We collected just under 200 bags, which equated to 1110kg of textiles and represented a donation of £555 which was sent to Barnardo's along with £250 generated from saving electricity and £60 from Pabulum for the saving generated by the poverty lunch. Pupils also kindly donated toys which were sent to the Battambang orphanage in Cambodia.

Award Winning Bethany

Geographical Association Centre of Excellence status

Bethany School was one of only 11 schools worldwide to have been awarded the coveted Geographical Association Centre of Excellence status. These hubs of excellence are pivotal to the Geographical Association's desire to spread good practice through the development of local networks of teachers. The Centre of Excellence award recognises the contribution of schools in disseminating quality approaches to the teaching of Geography. In these schools geography is led by enthusiastic curriculum leaders who are able to inspire their colleagues and pupils alike.

All the award winners undergo a rigorous moderation process, and the team of assessors were hugely impressed by the manner in which Bethany School is embracing the new opportunities afforded by the curriculum changes at Key Stage 3. This award, now into its fifth year, reflects the national standard for the teaching of quality geography. It aims to promote effective subject leadership and management so helping subject leaders raise the standards of geography in their schools.

Mr Healy said, "How I wish this Geography department existed when I was a teenager, well done to all involved".

Old Poplars Refurbishment

There was a lot of noise and bustle in Old Poplars over the Easter and Summer holidays as various workmen tackled the extensive refurbishment programme. Electricians, builders, painters and carpenters were all on site with a very busy schedule. The work includes a new staircase leading from the entrance hall

and a new corridor upstairs leading to all the bedrooms to the right of the stairs. Sockets, lighting and new carpets have been fitted and the sense of light and space is incredible. All bedrooms have received brand new furniture and the common room has had a full make over with new workstations and a cosy seating area. The flagship has to be the lovely new self-contained kitchen complete with trendy wall graphics which were painted by our talented art technician Ellie Stanley.

The girls are delighted with the improvements to Old Poplars which help to make it a real home from home.



FRIENDS OF BETHANY SCHOOL



WOW! Yet another successful year for FOBS, which is made up of a committed team of parents who work alongside Mr Healy and Mrs Gale, not only continuing to raise funds for the improvements to the swimming facilities at Bethany, but also supporting the many social events organised by the School, allowing new and existing parents to get to know each other at coffee mornings, the Cheese and Wine evening for new parents and Open Days.



FOBS kicked off their fundraising year with the ever popular 'Fish and Chips' quiz night. Well done to the winning team which consisted of Will Yussuf, Carolyn and Trevor Billson, Chris Griffiths, Matthew and Becky Yussuf, Charlotte Yussuf and her partner Tom.

With the quiz night a huge success, the FOBS team joined forces with the Barbados Fundraising Committee and after many a sleepless night and



a few grey hairs, the Hollywood Glamour Ball was born. The funds raised by both FOBS and the Barbados Committee made this all worthwhile and I think all who attended would agree what a fabulous evening it turned out to be.



The FOBS bar has supported many events this year held by both the School and the committee including the superb School productions and of course Bethany's Got Talent, with great success, sometimes accompanied by the Young Enterprise Teams.

Speech Day was initially plagued by rain and at times, what felt like gale force winds! The cooking and serving of the hog roast was a first for FOBS and proved a great success. 200 Club winners were also announced on the day and a few lucky families left with a cheque in their pocket.

THANK YOU'S, where do I start? Firstly, I would like to give a huge thank you to Brian Chapman and the maintenance team who work tirelessly to make every event held by FOBS look the part. They always come up trumps when I realise at the last minute that I have forgotten to request something.

I would also like to thank the many parents who support FOBS throughout the year. An enormous amount of work goes into each event and it is hugely gratifying when an event is well attended.

Lastly, thank you to my team Lynn Askew (Vice Chair), Sally White (Hon. Secretary), Nikki James (Treasurer), Katie Harper, Claire Brett, Nicola Tucker, Steve and Jeanette Markiewicz, Clare Miles, Vanessa Davies, Samantha Golding and associate member Elaine Yussuf for always being on hand to listen or jump to it when asked. FOBS would not be the success it is without you!

*Jacqui Griffiths
Chairman*



Speech Day

Speech Day 2013 dawned with rain and wind and everyone held their breath to see if the weather was going to be kind. Luckily the grey start did not last long and although windy the Fête managed to take place outside and everyone had great fun and remained dry if a little windswept!



Our thanks to the staff, students, FOBS committee, Bethanians' Society and parents for their hard work in running a wide variety of stalls, all of which did a roaring trade, especially the delicious roast suckling pig! The Leavers and Bethanians' Society members enjoyed a wonderful lunch in the dining room. This was swiftly followed by the AGM for the Bethanians' Society and the annual prize giving ceremony and speeches for the rest of the guests.

He thanked long standing Governor Robert Harmer for his careful handling of the School's finances over the years and wished him well in his retirement from the Board of Governors. He continued with the notion that there are numerous strands to Bethany's strategic plan but, "we plan to do what we always do which is to do our best for all of our pupils". He finished by saying, "times may be difficult but Bethany is well placed and doing well."

The Headmaster, Mr Healy focused on optimism. He said, "It seems to me that we are surrounded by endless pessimism particularly about the economy which is flat lining. An optimist will see this as not getting worse whilst a pessimist will complain about it not getting better. I would like today to focus on the positive."



The first to speak was Chairman of the Governors, Andrew Pengelly. He thanked the audience of parents for having interesting children. He went on to give an update on the financial stability of Bethany School declaring, "there is very little rain on Bethany's parade." Mr Pengelly highlighted that the long overdue upgrade to some of the buildings has begun and that our net balance has changed from the red to the black giving a buffer in case of financial need.

He explained to the audience that for those who were leaving Bethany a world of opportunity awaits. "Bethany staff, together with your parents, have worked in harmony with you so that you now have the necessary skills an communication, teamwork, problem solving and most importantly in adaptability which will enable you to take advantage of life's opportunities as they arise and that is why it is so important to be an optimist."



My Healy went on to thank those members of staff who were leaving Bethany for their hard work and loyalty over the years, and he welcomed the new staff who would be joining the School in September. Mr Healy also expressed his gratitude to all the staff who work at Bethany both teaching and non-teaching. He said, "without you and the time you devote to Bethany it would not be the place it is."



As soon as the economic situation improves he confirmed plans to move ahead with the development of a new swimming pool complex.





On behalf of everyone here – thank you all very much indeed.”

He finished by leaving the audience with this thought: If you ever need a loan, borrow from a pessimist. They will never expect it back!

Following the presentation of the prizes and awards to a range of very talented individuals (please see these listed at the end of this magazine), our guest speaker, Mr Henry Olonga, former test cricketer for Zimbabwe, took centre stage. His speech was wonderfully entertaining yet it delivered a powerful message. He said, “I am going to talk about money. Your parents spend between



£16,000 and £28,000 a year on your school fees for 5–7 years. When you add up the total it represents the price of a house! As they have invested the equivalent of the price of a house in you, they will want some return on their investment! Therefore you need to get involved in everything this School offers you, never stop doing the things you love doing, always be a respectful person and go and be the best you can be.”



Jamie Hagerty, Head of School, gave a very eloquent vote of thanks to Mr Olonga. He said, “Mr Olonga has rightly reminded us of the importance of those values that we are celebrating today and also the ability to know the difference between right and wrong. I wonder how many of us leaving the School will face moments of great challenge similar to those faced by Mr Olonga, and whether we will be brave enough to stand up for what we believe.”

Jamie reminisced, “it is incredible to think that I have spent 1323 days here which equates to just under 4000 hours of actually being in school. I have spent 68 days in break times and 187 days in lessons, that’s 27 days’ worth of Mr Thorpe’s lessons, plus 250 hours on the rugby pitch, and 30 days of driving or getting the bus to school!”



Jamie finished his speech by saying, “coming to Bethany was the best possible decision that my parents and I could have made. I feel that I am now ready to face life’s challenges because I am equipped with the necessary skills to face life with optimism, determination and confidence.”

The confidence he has gained shone through. It never ceases to amaze me how an 18 year old can stand in front of an audience of mixed age groups, 600 strong, and deliver a witty and poignant speech with no trace of nerves. This is truly an art and many adults would not be able to carry off such a feat with such style. Congratulations to all those who are part of the process to empower the Bethany students to stand out from the crowd.

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The Bethanians' Society

Reunion Day



This was held as usual to coincide with Speech Day and Leavers Day. A moving chapel service was swiftly followed by a delicious buffet lunch held in the Dining Hall.

At 2.00 p.m. the Annual General Meeting of the Bethanians' Society was held in the Lanzer Building. At this meeting Roger Kimber was formally elected to continue as President for a second year. Nick Randell accepted the nomination for Vice-President with a view to taking over as President on Reunion Day in June 2014.

Lewanika Visit



We were privileged to receive Royal visitors King Lewanika of Barotseland and his family to School.

His Royal Highness was a pupil at Bethany during the 1960's and there have been other members of the Lewanika family at Bethany since that time. His visit to Bethany preceded his award of an Honorary Doctorate at Oxford University.

Catling Trust

For a number of years there has been a small Catling Trust Award offered to pupils at Bethany who wish to enhance their gap year, their further education or their future career.

To maintain the value and appeal of such an award the Trustees have sourced additional funds from sponsorship, currently from a member of TBS, Nigel Petrie.

The funds available are up to £1000 for a current Bethany Sixth Form pupil who think that such an award might enable them to embark on their own similar 'life-enhancing' project.

At this year's Pengelly Society meeting in September Bethanians Robert Pilbeam, Paul Holmes and Nigel Petrie gave a short presentation, introducing the new Catling Trust page on the School's website and led a question and answer session.

Alumni Dinner

This year's annual dinner had a horse racing theme, which proved very entertaining. The guests were treated to a delicious seasonal three course menu provided by the School's caterers Pabulum. Our thanks to Karen and Tina from Pabulum for looking after us so wonderfully well. The President Roger Kimber said, "It was a delight to see groups of friends reunited at their old school within such a relaxed and convivial atmosphere."



Golf Tournament

Saturday 22nd May saw TBS members, staff and students brave the grey skies and windy weather to battle it out at our Annual Golf Tournament. Heading down to West Malling Golf Club, the staff team of Phil Hughes, Matt Payne, Phil Crafter and Arthur Roberts scored 82 (net 71). Taken on by the School and TBS team, Nigel Kimber, Angus Sutton, Jake Martin and Fred Roberts scored 69 (net 62), leading them to a resounding victory! All toasted the victorious win with cups of tea and a bacon sandwich (or two) afterwards!



20 Club

Once again, the 20 Club Dinner was held at the Oriental Club in London. Just over 20 Bethanians gathered to enjoy a champagne reception generously sponsored by one of the guests. At 8pm they were ushered into the panelled library and grace preceded a fabulous four course meal accompanied by fine wines.

This really was a superb evening. We are of course indebted to David Organ for hosting the event and Paul Holmes and Robert Pilbeam who keep this event going. We are already looking forward to the 20 Club Dinner 2014! If you would like to be involved please contact alumni@bethanyschool.org.uk

iPADS

Bethany is keeping ahead of the game and with the help of TBS, has given each Year 7 pupil an iPad! Following an approach from the Headmaster, The Bethanians' Society was only too delighted to help in buying the first batch. The Society is pleased to be associated with this project and to give Bethany's youngest students a head start in their secondary school career.



PRIZES AND AWARDS 2013

THE J. J. KENDON PRIZE *for Effort*

Year 7 Georgina Hill
Year 8 Emilia Wyllie
Year 9 Lizzie Stuart
Year 10 Rachel McDermott
Year 11 Amy Tucker

SPECIAL MENTIONS

Year 7 James Clarke, Maria-Bisila Dougan,
Louis Griffiths, Alexander Pollock

Year 8 Isabel Altendorf, William
Cunningham, Klyde Moradeyo, Ella
Porteous, Lucinda White

Year 9 Emma Askew, Dorothy Beales,
Jessica Daubeny, Eleanor Firth, Adam
Wilkinson

Year 10 Grace Hebblethwaite, Meng Ing, Max
Kelly, Kipp Popert, Isobel Sherlock

Year 11 Alexander Fuller, Joseph Holland,
Hannah Marsden, Ruth Marsden,
Jack Whitaker

THE KILBY PRIZE *for Junior Art*

Sean Evelegh

THE DOUGLAS PRIZE *for Senior Art*

Zofia Markiewicz

THE TEXTILES PRIZE

Ellie Porter

THE MICHAEL WILLIAMS PHOTOGRAPHY CUP & PRIZE

Lawrence Zhang

THE STOBART PRIZE *for Business Studies*

Sam Cornick

THE HOOPER'S APPLIED BUSINESS STUDIES PRIZE

Toby Lansdale

THE YOUNG ENTERPRISE ACHIEVER OF THE YEAR

Alice Healy

THE NOTLEY PRIZE *for Craft and Design*

Nicholas Brockwell

THE SAMUEL KENDON PRIZE

for Craft & Design

Jonathan Whitome

THE BREACH PRIZE *for Innovation*

Toby Lansdale

THE FOOD TECHNOLOGY SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT PRIZE

Ella Porteous

THE SENIOR FOOD TECHNOLOGY PRIZE

Fran Kenney

THE MASTER CHEF WINNER

Samuel Tate

THE ROCHE PRIZE *for Drama*

Patrick Cotter

THE JUNIOR DRAMA PRIZE

Alexander Wareham

THE CHELMSFORD HALL CUP & PRIZE

India Hoad

THE HELEN MEMORIAL CUP & PRIZE

J J Donegan

THE McLAREN ENGLISH PRIZE

Amanda Hill

THE JUNIOR ENGLISH PRIZE

Alexander Wareham

THE HUNTER ESSAY PRIZE

Bethany Ward

THE HENRY HOWARD PUBLIC SPEAKING PRIZE

Henry Bonaert

THE SENIOR MEDIA PRIZE

Jessica Leaper

GCSE MEDIA PRIZE

Milly Clark

THE E.F.L. PRIZE

Alistair Yiu

THE MICHAEL DALZIEL GEOGRAPHY PRIZE (GCSE)

Alexander Fuller

THE HUMPHREY MAXWELL MEMORIAL PRIZE FOR EXCELLENCE

Senior Geography

Jeannie Chai

THE ROGER KIMBER PRIZE FOR EFFORT

'A' level Geography

Jamie Hagerty

THE ROYAL SOCIETY OF St GEORGE

Junior History Prize

Darius Mirsadeghi

Senior History Prize

Tom Frank

THE KELLY POLITICS PRIZE

Emma Acheson-Gray

THE LORD STAMP MEMORIAL PRIZE

for GCSE Mathematics

Ruth Marsden

for 'A' level Mathematics

Jinsung Ha

THE MASON PRIZE *for French*

Harry Gawler

THE SPANISH PRIZE

Jessica Leaper

THE FINCHAM CUP & PRIZE *for Strings*

Amanda Hill

THE GARDNER CUP & PRIZE *for Guitar*

Denis Dogan

THE HALL PRIZE *for the highest Music grade*

Jack Wood

THE LUSTED PRIZE *for Woodwind*

Claudia Lam

THE CHRISTOPHER MONEY CHORISTERS CUP & PRIZE

Jemima Harris

THE MUSIC PRIZE *for Progress*

William Marshall

THE JAMES MORRISSEY-CROUCH MUSIC AWARD

Alvin Lam

THE PRIZE *for Brass*

Winston Mo

THE THORNTON CUP & PRIZE

William Scott

THE JAMES HALL MEMORIAL PRIZE

for Religious Studies

for Juniors Lizzie Stuart

for 'A' Level Tom Frank

THE BIOLOGY PRIZE *for GCSE*

Amy Tucker

THE BIOLOGY PRIZE *for 'A' level*

Beth Parrot

THE CHEMISTRY PRIZE *for GCSE*

Jack Whitaker

THE CHEMISTRY PRIZE *for 'A' level*

An Vu

THE PHYSICS PRIZE *for GCSE*

Ruth Marsden

THE PHYSICS PRIZE *for 'A' level*

An Vu

THE STAMPER PRIZE

Gabriel Walker

THE MAYNARD PRIZE *for the best GCSEs*

Alice Healy

THE POWELL CUP *for Junior Sportsman*

Adam Kirkbright

THE TENNIS SHIELD

Sam Hewes

THE JUNIOR SPORTSWOMAN

Rachel McDermott

THE ROY FARQUARSON TROPHY

for Senior Sportsman

Samuel Helesfay

THE PIPPA BLACKMAN TROPHY

for excellence in Academic PE

Georgia Jackson

THE SENIOR SPORTSWOMAN

Georgia Jackson

THE ANTHONY CLARKE MEMORIAL TROPHY *for courage*

Angus Sutton

DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S GOLD AWARD

Alex Clayden-Spence, Sam Cornick

Patrick Cotter, Jamie Hagerty,

Tristan Smith, An Vu

THE RICHARD ASHLIN PRIZE

middle school - for kindness shown to others

Emma Askew

THE CHALLENGE CUP FOR GOOD CITIZENSHIP

Lydia Healy

THE ROBERT COUPLAND PRIZE

for academic and social progress

Adam Wilkinson

THE FENECH CUP

for being compassionate and considerate

Georgie Marland

THE ALEX MARKS TROPHY *for Endeavour*

Harry Street

THE TIMOTHY SEDGEWICK PRIZE

courage in the face of adversity

Sam Hewes

THE ROSS TURNBULL PRIZE

for service to the community

Luke Blaney

THE JESSEL SHIELD *for the winning House*

Speakers

THE WILLIAM RUZZAK MEMORIAL PRIZE

The Deputy Heads of School

William Seys & Amanda Hill

THE EDWARD HAYWARD MEMORIAL PRIZE

The Head of School

Jamie Hagerty



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