

Canbury News

There are still two weeks to go before the end of this short but extremely busy Spring Term but there is much to report and a few events to come which I should mention to you.

Year 11

This Year Group are in the throes of completing their **Art GCSE examination**. Earlier in the term they sat their **mock GCSE's**. The School is supporting their final preparations for the actual GCSE exams by providing a number of lunch time subject 'clinics'. Further **GCSE Science modular tests** have also been taken. Their trips this term have taken them to **Tate Modern** where they did research for their Art GCSE examination, the **Holocaust Exhibition** at the Imperial War Museum and the last week of this term the **Old Operating Theatre** to enhance their studies in **History**.



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Year 10

This Year Group also taken **Science GCSE modular tests** in addition to **internal examinations** in all their other subjects. Before the half-term holiday they spent a week out of School on **work experience** at establishments such as Schools, Shops, Stables, IT Companies and Sports Complexes. Their educational trips have taken them to the **National Portrait Gallery** and also, later this term, the **Old Operating Theatre**.

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Year 9

This term they have been joined by **Emily Sandstrom-Nonoo** and **Alice Foster**, thereby making a class of an almost equal number of boys and girls. This Year Group have visited **Kew Gardens** where they furthered their understanding of Tropical Rainforests. Sadly, at the end of this term, they will be saying 'goodbye' to one member of their class, **Dong Ju Kwak**, who will be returning to Korea.



Year 8

Our Year 8 pupils have been out and about this term, visiting the **National Army Museum, Kew Gardens for an Art Trip** and the last week of term to the **Thames Barrier**. They will be joined by a **new girl next term** which will also nearly even up the number of boys and girls in this Year Group.

**Year 7**

They have welcomed **Yago Cerqueira** to their ranks this term and they will shortly be joined by another boy. Just after the half-term holiday they had to say farewell to three Korean pupils who had been savouring life in England for about three months and who were returning to continue their studies in Korea. Visits this term for this group have taken them to **Kew Gardens for Art** and in the last week of term the **Thames Barrier** to enhance their **Geography** curriculum.

**Staff News**

Having said 'goodbye' to the **Stevens family** (Ben, Site Manager, Kaz, Laboratory Technician and their baby daughter Amelie) just before half-term, we welcomed **Mr Jeremy Light** as our new resident **Site Manager**.

Appointing a new **Laboratory Technician** has proved to be more difficult and we are delighted that **Miss Tessa Emslie** (formerly a Learning Support Assistant here) stepped into the breach until our new appointee arrives next term.

Mrs Marisa Davies is our new part-time L.S.A.



Pupil News

I am sure many pupils deserve special mention for outstanding achievements outside School but I would like to mention three here.

Thomas Urry

Thomas (in Year 10) took part in the **Junior National Disabled Swimming Championships in Sheffield** recently and came **4th in the 50m crawl and breaststroke** races and a **magnificent 2nd in the 50m backstroke** – very well done indeed!

James Evans

James (in Year 10) was selected to run in the **Independent Schools Association National Cross-Country Running Championships in Warwickshire**. Running for the **London West** team, he finished a creditable **7th** for the team and **27th** overall, thereby contributing to the team's **first place** success. Congratulations to James!

Alice Bloomfield

Alice (in Year 7), a member of the **Tiffin Children's Choir**, was selected to sing in **La Boheme at the Royal Opera House in Covent Garden** and for the very popular **BT Christmas Carols at the Royal Albert Hall** at the end of last term. What an achievement and a fantastic experience!



Final Two Weeks of Term

An action packed final two weeks of this term includes four extra events well worth mentioning. **Years 7 and 8** will be watching **Marymount International School's production of "The Secret Garden"** next Wednesday. On **Friday, 19th March**, **Years 10 and 11** will be taking part in an "Inter Faith Forum" as part of the PHSE course. Representatives from various religions will form a panel and pupils will be asking questions concerning their beliefs and history of their religions.

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On the **final morning** of term, we are all looking forward to a highlight of the School Year - **The Talent Show**. Many pupils (and Staff) will have been rehearsing their 'acts' over the past weeks which they will perform and be judged with the aid of the clapometer. Good Luck to all those taking part!



Thursday, 25th March

The event which involves you, our Parents and Guardians, is **“THE AUCTION OF PROMISES AND ARTEFACTS”**. I enclose a separate letter about this and I would add that all the proceeds are going to a thoroughly worthwhile charity and we hope to see as many of you as possible on the **night of Thursday, 25th March**.

The next day, **FRIDAY 26TH MARCH**, the School doors **WILL NOT OPEN UNTIL 8 45 AM** and registration will be at 9 10 am.

Osmington Bay, Dorset

At the time of writing, there are **two places left for the four day adventure trip at the end of the Summer Term for pupils in Years 7, 8 and 9**. If you would like to receive the details again, please contact Mrs Powell in the School Office.



Canbury School Website

Please do look at our new website (www.canburyschool.co.uk) for calendar details, general information, Sports Reports, ICT and Art presentations. There is much that happens here at Canbury which I have not reported in this Newsletter but which appears on our website. Also, please do not forget that the **'Stop Press'** link to the **Calendar**, contains last minute information which might be appropriate for you and your child.



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