

BEBINGTON HIGH SPORTS COLLEGE

Newsletter to Parents and Students

Summer 2011



QUALITY EDUCATION
FOR ALL



Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you for reading our most recent newsletter, I hope that you find it interesting and informative.

This year has again been extremely successful on many fronts.

Our Co-operative development is moving along at a pace, we will be setting up a Coffee Co-operative with Ethiopian farmers in September so that the farmers get a good return for their efforts through the Fair Trade initiative. In September we will be opening up the Co-operative to parent members, so look out for the information. On 7th July we held a fashion show which was sponsored by the Co-operative. Our students designed and made the clothes as well as modelled them on the night; everyone who was involved or came to watch had a great time – it is surprising what you can do with crisp bags and ties!

You may recall that for the last three years we have been working hard at raising enough funds for a floodlit all weather facility. I am very pleased to announce that we have now secured all the funding and I hope that we can begin the construction, soon to be ready for Christmas. This facility will ensure that our school has some of the best sports facilities in Wirral for our

students. In addition, I am a great believer that a school is part of the local community and so this new facility will be open for community groups to hire from 18.00 – 21.00 every evening and all day Saturday until 21.00.

You will be aware that our school has made tremendous improvements in raising standards over the past seven years and we are now in the top 20% of highest achieving schools. We are not resting on our laurels and we will continue to ensure that our students leave our school with the best possible achievements that they are capable of. We also are working hard at raising the standards of our students' presentation and you will have received a letter recently outlining and reinforcing what is acceptable with regard to uniform. We want our students to present well, and be proud of themselves and I am sure as always you will continue to support us in our endeavours to make our school the best in Wirral.

I hope you all have a good summer and I look forward to seeing you all in September 2011

Mr Brian Jordan
Headteacher

"At all levels of leadership, teamwork is of the essence and the Headteacher, ably supported by a talented and committed senior team, works tirelessly to drive ambition and to raise the aspirations of staff and students alike".

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Beb High does CSI

A touch of CSI came to Bebington High Sports College as Year 11 students became detectives and spent a day discovering forensic science and gaining an insight into the career options available when studying forensics as a subject.

Amanda Boddis and Shaun Kent of LJMU discussed crime scene investigations the technology and materials available and the science behind this, whilst being able to relate it to real life situations and murders. The talk discussed evidence found at crime scenes ranging

from how bullets and fire arms are examined to the decomposition of a body including maggot infestation. Furthermore it outlined how forensic scientists use their skills to collect physical evidence, observe their surroundings and perform analysis to help catch the criminals.

The students were shown how fingerprint identification works and the use of DNA analysis in interpreting crime scenes.



Bebington High Sports College Co-operative Community Trust

Slavery Visit

Year 9 students recently enjoyed visiting the International Slavery Museum in Liverpool, to enhance their knowledge of the black people of the Americas and the international slave trade. The visit gave them a very interesting and thought provoking experience of how people could deal and profit in another humans enslavement. Students were told of a story which has been forgotten by too many, for too long. They were shown some of the shackles and chains used to enslave and control millions of people and were reminded what had happened in the past. Education remains one of the most important things young people can have in hopes of changing their lives for the better and the students are reminded that there is only one race, the human race.



Art Festival

Hundreds of visitors celebrated our 'carnival' themed Art Festival. Inspired by a well-known theme park, each room was re-named and themed with its own particular attraction.

Guests were greeted with live music by The Kazamier Krunk Band; furthermore staff and students were in fancy dress clothes with face paint ranging from Venetian ball gowns to ghosts, can-can dancers, clowns, ghoulish heads, themed masks, carnival wings and headdresses.

In 'Alter Ego Alley' students dressed as their alter ego characters captured in their paintings. The 'Walk of Horror' with haunting music and strobe lighting, contained sinister paintings, clay heads and students posing as ghosts moving slightly as visitors walked through. A group of dance students performed to the live band whilst the Mad Professor created theatrical science experiments.

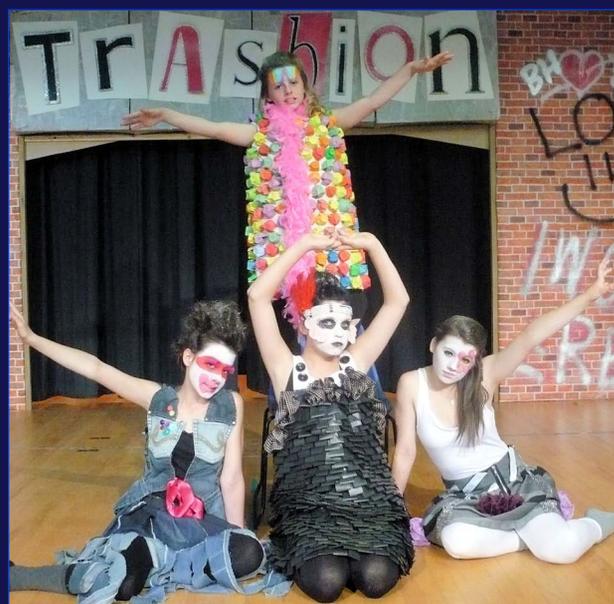


Trashion Show

Students staged a Recycled 'Trashion show' of wearable art & couture fashion created out of rubbish. Students were invited to create their own outfits from materials which would otherwise be thrown away and they came up with very imaginative ideas. They had to design, make and model eco-outfits made entirely from unwanted textiles, paper and waste materials. Models showed off garments designed from recycled old clothes and household waste such as newspaper, magazines, yellow pages, crisp packets, bin bags, cd's and old curtains.

The event is part of BHSC's way to promote recycling and waste reduction and aimed to change the way people look at what they buy and what they throw away. With sponsorship from the local co-operative, students have designed a clothing collection with skill and art in mind, with the theme 're-think rubbish'.

Both staff and parents donated time and goods for the fashion show, with the students working hard for months, spending hours after school in the evenings and during the holidays in the Design and Technology department making outfits. The students then modelled them down the catwalk at a special show, which was warmly received by a large and enthusiastic audience.



IMPORTANT DATES

Years 7 & 12 Return
Full School Return
Inset Day
Close
Half-Term
Open
Autumn Term Ends
Open for Spring Term
Close
Half-Term
Open
Close

Tuesday 6th September
Wednesday 7th September
Friday 7th October
Friday 21st October
Monday 24th October – Friday 28th October
Monday 31st October
Friday 16th December
Wednesday 4th January
Friday 10th February
Monday 13th February – Friday 17th February
Monday 20th February
Friday 30th March

EDUCATION MATTERS



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