

# Bebington High Sports College Headteacher's Bulletin

December 2008



"The Headteachers's determination to create an inclusive school where all students have opportunities for personal growth & success. Underpins his hands on approach to school leadership" (OFSTED November 2006)

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*I would like to thank you for all your support over the past term. I do realise that it must have seemed that we have had a large number of inset activities. We have put these predominantly at the beginning of the year, to make the very best progress with the new initiatives.*

*We are moving towards the end of our long but very rewarding autumn term and it will soon be Christmas. This term has been busy but extremely successful with our Student Review Day held on Wednesday, 19 November, proving once again, very positive. Following on from our tremendous examination successes of last year, we recently held two very enjoyable celebration evenings which over 200 of our students attended. They received achievement and effort awards, not only for their academic successes, but also community work.*

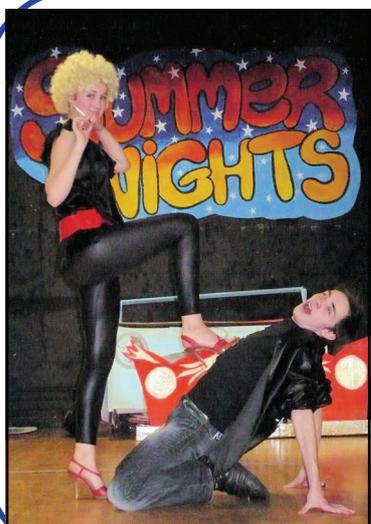
## Quality Education For All

### Upper School Awards Evening

*At the Upper School Awards Evening held on Thursday, 11 December 2008 we had an entertaining, informative, inspiring and well received talk from Sue Smith, England International and Leeds Carnegie football player.*

### 'Summer Nights'

*Our school production this year was 'Summer Nights' held in December. The students performed extremely well in this musical theatre production and it was a joy to sit in the audience and watch their excitement, enjoyment and professionalism.*



### Beb Factor

*At the end of November we held our annual 'Beb Factor'. Students were auditioned, selected and performed a variety of acting, singing and dancing pieces judged by staff and students, the winners being Ami Brown and Charlie Ford with a dance to Michael Jackson's Thriller. They then performed this piece at the Upper School Awards Evening to a very appreciative audience.*



### 'Ozzy Springer' Panto

*I would like to take this opportunity to thank our Sixth Form students who wrote, produced and performed a 'panto' for Year 7 students who watched with great excitement.*

### Carol Service

*Our final evening was the annual Carol Service held on Monday, 15 December at St Andrews Church, Bebington. This was an evening of song, drama and readings to celebrate Christmas. This evening always announces to me that the festive season has arrived.*

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"Bebington High Sports College is an improving and welcoming School" (OFSTED November 2006)

*Our students have also been involved in many community events from Sports Leadership in Primary Schools, Arts Leadership at Lady Lever Art Gallery and supporting our Saturday morning all ability club.*

**Careers Convention**

*This year we also produced and hosted a Wirral Careers Convention which was aimed to give students insight and understanding into the world of employment, further education and higher education. It was open to our students and also students from all of the local secondary schools. Exhibitors were from all training providers and Universities in the Merseyside and Cheshire area. We were highly commended by the exhibitors on*

*the extremely mature attitude of all our students and their commitment to furthering their vision. Our Open Evening and day were well attended and again we have received very favourable evaluations from all who visited.*

**Paris Trip**

*The term culminated with a trip for around 40 students going to Paris for the weekend to visit the Christmas Markets. The trip started at 5.00am on Friday and arrived back at 11.30 pm on Sunday evening. Whilst in Paris they managed to visit the Eiffel Tower and take in a tour of the River Seine. I think they were a little tired on their return but they all had a great time. Paris at Christmas – can't be bad!*



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*The above is just a flavour of the school and community events we have hosted since September and gives an idea of the tremendous level of work and effort our staff put into to ensure that our students not only achieve but also have a very enjoyable and creative time at Bebington High Sports College.*

**IMPORTANT DATES:**

Friday 19th December	School Closes 12.30pm	Tuesday 10th February	Dance Show
Monday 5th January	School Opens 8.40pm	Wednesday 11th February	Dance Show
Thursday 15th January	KS4 Options Evening	Thursday 12th February	6th Form Parents Evening
Tuesday 20th January	Yr 11 Parents Evening	Wednesday 4th March	GCSE Drama Dance Showcase Eve
Monday 26th January	PTA AGM	Wednesday 11th March	GCSE Drama Dance Showcase Eve

**Staff Changes**

*This term sees the following staff moving on to other posts. Mr Alan Woodworth, our Data Manager, has decided to return to teaching Science part-time at a local school. Alan will be greatly missed. He has been an extremely hard working member of staff who has developed this new role over the past few years into one which is invaluable in ensuring all our students fully understand their capabilities, potential and achievements. Mr Woodworth's position has been taken up by Mrs J Graham, a welcome addition to the school. Mrs Sue Barratt, Year 9 Year Manager, has taken up a post in Wirral PCT. Sue has been part of a strong new team of pastoral managers that have developed pastoral care in Bebington to an extremely high level. Mr D Cooper has been employed to take on the role of Year 9 Manager from 1 January 2009. Mr Cooper has worked for the school for the past two terms as an extremely proficient and hard working PE teacher and he will be an excellent pastoral carer for our students. The final member of staff leaving is Mrs G Cavanagh. Mrs Cavanagh is taking up a post at St John Plessington Technology College teaching Psychology. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the staff for their hard work and commitment in ensuring our students achieve well and hope that they enjoy their new roles.*

*The last day will be a non-uniform day. We request that the students pay £1 to attend school in their own clothes, with all of the money raised going to a local Cancer Charity.*

*All that remains is for me to wish you a happy Christmas and a healthy and peaceful New Year.*

*We look forward to seeing everyone again at the start of term on Monday 5th January.*

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