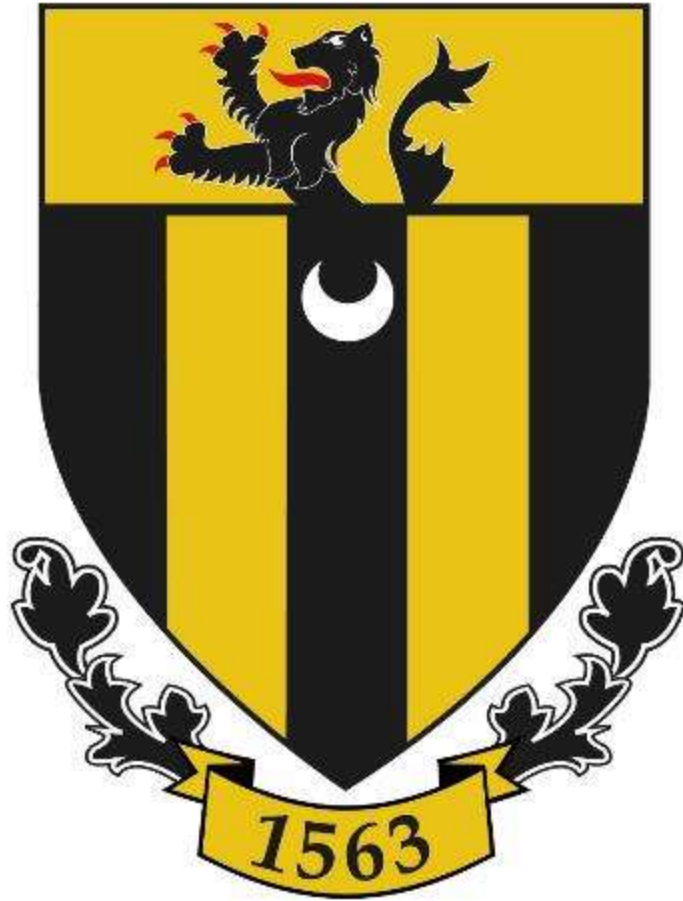


# Sir Roger Manwood's School



February 2024  
Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Myself, Ms Kernick and Mr Ross have been meeting individually with Year 11 students over the past week and a half and it has been good to see how well so many of them did in the Mock exams. Most of them have worked hard over the Christmas holiday and now have firm foundations in place ready for the final push through to the GCSE's in May and June.

Year 13 on the other hand have been receiving news of their University offers. Every year at this time this particular year group begins to get nervous about the fast approaching summer exams as it is now very real to them! Our congratulations go particularly to the 3 students who have received offers from Oxford or Cambridge, 2 for Medicine and 1 for Veterinary Science.

There has been so much illness amongst staff and students this term – partly we believe due to the latest Covid variant not being picked up by the tests. Some folk have been knocked flat for a week or two. Here's hoping that this lessens as we move into Spring.

The work on the Astroturf has been slightly delayed, and our construction company now say that it will be finished by the end of March rather than the second week in February.

The official opening of this wonderful new facility will be on the afternoon of Thursday 23 May, Founder's Day. Details will be shared nearer the time, but will include a very special guest, VIPs and many Alumni.

Shortly after half term, a major fundraising drive will start for funds for the refurbishment of the Grange. Again, details will come out shortly. Thank you in advance for all your support.

Lastly, I would like to thank so many parents for having been in contact with me since I shared the news of my retirement at the end of December this year. Governors under the leadership of Richard Chew, Chair of Governors, have been hard at work already on the process of selecting my successor and as always, I am extremely grateful for the time they devote to the School, and all without payment. Speaking of governors, 3 new people were appointed to the Governing Body in January – Lucy Erasmus (an OM and parent of a Year 7 student), Amanda Riley (a local resident and NHS employee) and Bridget Evans (a retired local resident and former Headteacher of a Secondary School in London). Keith Simpson (an OM, former banker and secretary of the OMA) was also appointed as Vice Chair, Keith will then step up to take on the Chair role for 2 years.

Mr Hunter

**Headteacher**

## STAFF NEWS

I'm sure all of our community would like to join me in congratulating Mrs Moore who gave birth to Noah Pierre Moore on 5<sup>th</sup> February. Mum and Noah are doing well.



## STUDENT NEWS

Congratulations to **Bryn Frampton and Finlay Walder** (both Y7) who were selected for the Dover and Deal District Football team at the start of the season. The team has gone unbeaten the entire season and finished top of the South East District league. This has not been achieved in a number of years. The league covers Bexley, Maidstone, Medway Swale, Thanet, Shepway and Ashford.

In early February **Mia Sanders** (Year 9) was again selected as part of the England Boxing, to take place in a boxing tournament called "The Golden Girl" that had representation from over 30 countries entering.

**George Campling** (Year 9) participated in the British Judo Association is Regional Schools competition. He had 4 fights and won them all very convincingly taking the gold medal.



4 of our students ran in the Kent County Cross Country Championship on Saturday 20 January.

**Sophia Houston** was 57th and **Rumer Thorpe** was 66th in the Year 7 girls' race.

**Brynley Frampton** was 59<sup>th</sup> in the Year 7 boys' race.

**Alex Dack** was 4th in the Senior Boys race.

Congratulations to all four, but especially to **Alex** as that result means he has qualified for the English Schools Cross Country Championship in March.



**Nye Potter** (Year 9) attended the Saracens Development Player Programme at Stone X Stadium. He had a brilliant day, especially when one of the Saracens coaches came up to him at the end congratulating him for his tackling skills!!



Responding to information about The Kitchener Scholarship sent out to the Sixth Form when she was in Year 12, we have just heard that **Anya Morling-Grove** (Year 13) beat off stiff competition at both the application and interview stage and was awarded a substantial scholarship to study Astrophysics. She will now be a lifelong member of the Kitchener Foundation with all the networking benefits this brings, and has been invited to a formal dinner in March where she will be presented with her Membership. She has also been awarded the Physics Scholarship from Royal Holloway University.

## COMMUNITY NEWS



We received a lovely message from NSPCC thanking the school for the £3,500 that was raised last year from all our School Charity activities

## Engage and Excel Certificates

These are awarded after each assessment. Engage Certificates are for students in both Key Stage 3 and Key Stage 4 to each pupil in the year group who achieved 11 or more A grades for effort if in KS3, or 10 or more A grades if in KS4. Excel Certificates are awarded to students in Key Stage 4 who achieve their target grade in every subject. The following is the list of students who received either an Engage or Excel Certificate after the January assessments. Well done to all.

Barnes	Frankie
Benbow	Jessica
Birkett	Elizabeth
Bushell	Eevie
Campbell	Phoebe
Coleman	Joe
Comlay	Lucy
Costa	Gaby
Crofts	Hanako
Erasmus	Oliver
Fordham	Freddie
Forsyth	Bertie
Fraser	Eve
Gibson	Lexi
Gleave	Hattie
Godden	Phoebe
Goldsmith	Lauren
Goode	Oliver
Gorman	Áine
Granger	Ebony
Hare	Thomas
Harris	Dexter
Hayes	Sammy
Hesmondhalgh	Lucas
Islam	Naima
Jennings	Daniel
Laslett	Bibi
Leberl	Honor
Mannings-Press	Hetty
Margeson	Ava
McAuley-Dawson	Alison
McNally	Amelie
Mitchinson	Eryk
Parkinson	Cleo
Pleasance	Ella
Rang	Elsie
Read	Amelie
Slade	Tye
Swigon	Magdalena
Tiigah	Amelia

Trevellion	Poppy
Underwood-Holden	Emily
Ward	Eliza
Warner	Joe
Williams	George
Woodhead	Anna
Worthington-Taylor	Poppy
Zrebiec	Raya
Ashley-Down	Elizabeth
Beavon	Lotte
Cave	Sophie
Clayton	William
Daunoras	Lukas
Hackett	Naomi
Harding	Poppy
Hutson	Isabella
Mattison	Jonathan
Miller	Grace
Pearce	Rihanna
Radix	Amélie
Regan	Caitlin
Relf	Roxy
Renihan Burke	Beatrix
Smissen	Jessica
Wacher	Isabel
Watkinson	Emilio
Watson	Joel
Whittle	Matilda
Wiggins	Madeline
Ainsworth	Hannah
Barnes	Henry
Fox	Ethan
Jeffreys	Iris
Muca	Bianka
North	Lily
Oliver	Millie
Ruffles-Price	Thomas
Simpson	Gracie
Stafford	Lucy
Stanley	Ophelia
Stephen	Maria
Todd	Romy
Tsang	Elizabeth
Vere	Max
Walker	Oliver
Acourt	William
Ahmed	Haya
Banks	Erin

Bason	Francesca
Biju Kulangara	Jerson
Bogie-Keyede	Xavier
Carruthers	Rose
Clayton Gamboa	Ana
Crine	Samuel
Crine	Samuel
Dixon	Harry
Edridge	Tegan
Finlay	Holly
Finlay	Holly
Finlay	Oscar
Gannon	Daniel
Hursey	Grace
Koval	Kate
Krsmanovic	Dorotea
Krsmanovic	Dorotea
McAlister	Roman
McCann	Hannah
Merriman	Hope
Morling-Grove	Jonathan
Plommer	Sophie
Pryde	Louis
Pryde	Louis
Purvis	Lula
Rescorla	Luke
Roberts	Jasmine
Rooke	Alexandra
Saldonido	Jeremiah
Seyeux-Chew	Amelie
Seyeux-Chew	Amelie
Sheppard	Ollie
Sheppard	Ollie
Watson	Isabella
Watson	Isabella
Wellard	Pearl
Zhang	Terry
Zhang	Terry
Baker	James
Baker	James
Barbasiewicz	Lotta
Belsey	Edward
Bennett	Freddie
Boucher	Annabelle
Brotherton	Jacob
Brown	Emily
Burgess	Tilda
Campbell	James



Coombes	James
Coombes	Michael
Coombes	Michael
Davis	Rhys
Divito	Finley
Ellul	Mia
Goodrich	Flynn
Goodrich	Flynn
Harrington	Aislinn
Horsburgh	Freya
Horsburgh	Freya
Horsbrugh	Maisie
Horsbrugh	Maisie
Johnson	Olivia
Lodge	Jessamine
Lucas	Noah
Maginn	Maya
McAlister	Caterina
McAlister	Caterina
Morgan	Nia
Norris	India
Pleasance	Sam
Rescorla	Amelie
Roberts	Jess
Robinson	Harry
Robinson	Harry
Sansom	Sorcha
Sansom	Sorcha
Stephens	Isra
Banks-Francis	William
Chaffey	Anya
Elgar	Reuben
McElligott	Amelia
Parfitt	Mia
Scaresbrook	Sophia
Stacey	Sophie
van Sittert	Jonan
Coombes	James
Bridgland	Madison
Larsen	Rowen
Young	Keira

## SUBJECT NEWS

### ART AND DESIGN

Mr Grimshaw created an interactive online exhibition that features some of the best work from Years 7, 8 and 9 from the first term at Manwood's. The works were selected by the Art teachers and their Year 12 Art Prefects.

The link below will take you to the exhibition. For the best experience, download the free Artsteps app on your phone, iPad or tablet as you will then be able to experience the exhibition in VR mode.

<https://www.artsteps.com/view/659e5aacd4b8245fac9da73e>

### SPORT

A list of clubs, that ran this term can be found towards the back of this newsletter.

## CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

### Lunchtime and Break clubs, Societies and Workshops

Day	Club	Year
<b>Monday</b>	Badminton (Girls)	7-9
	Book Club	7+8
	CAMEO	7
	Charity Committee (Week A)	Student leaders + charity reps
	Eco Society	7-13
<b>Tuesday</b>	Advanced Ukulele	
	Badminton (Boys)	7-9
	Drama Club	7+8
	GCSE French (Week B)	10+11
	Maths Club	7-9
	Orchestra	All
	Spanish support workshop	All, priority KS4
SSR drop in	12+13	
<b>Wednesday</b>	Badminton (Girls)	10+11
	Elastic Band	All
	Games/Puzzles	by invite
	GCSE Drama Coursework	11
	German Film Club	7-13
	History Club	7-9
<b>Thursday</b>	Intermediate Ukulele	
	Badminton (Boys)	10+11
	CAMEO	8
<b>Friday</b>	GCSE German study club	11
	Badminton	12+13
	Beginners Ukulele	7+8
	GCSE Art Catch up (until Christmas)	11

## After School Societies and Workshops

Day	Club	Year
<b>Monday</b>	Basketball	7-9
	Golf (Paid activity by application)	7-13
	Homework Club	All
	KS3 Science Workshop	7+8
<b>Tuesday</b>	'A Christmas Carol' School Production 2023/24	Cast+crew
	A Level Chemistry Workshop	12+13
	A Level Physics Workshop	12+13
	Fitness	7-13
	GCSE Physics Workshop	10+11
	Homework Club	All
	KS3 Science Workshop	9
<b>Wednesday</b>	'A Christmas Carol' School Production 2023/24	Cast+crew
	A Level Biology Workshop	12+13
	GCSE Biology Workshop	10+11
	Homework Club	All
	Kent Football Academy (Paid activity)	7-10
	Table Tennis	7-13
<b>Thursday</b>	Basketball	10-13
	CCF - Combined Cadet Force	8-13
	Chess Club	8+9
	Express Theatre Company	A Level classes
	GCSE Chemistry workshop	10+11
	Homework Club	All
<b>Friday</b>		

SPORT CLUBS	Lunch 1.30-2.05pm				After School 3.25-4.25pm			
	Activity	Year/Age	Venue	Staff	Activity	Year/Age	Venue	Staff
<b>Monday</b>	Netball	Year 8 Girls	Sports Hall	Sport Leaders/PE Staff	Golf (Paid Activity) Basketball	All Years Years 7-8	Field Sports Hall	Terry Russell 6 <sup>th</sup> Form Students + GG/JS
<b>Tuesday</b>	Netball	Year 7 Girls	Sports Hall	Sport leaders/PE Staff	Basketball	Year 9, 10, 11 & 6 <sup>th</sup> Form	Sports Hall	GG/JS
<b>Wednesday</b>	Badminton	All – Girls	Sports Hall	Sport leaders/PE Staff	Netball	Years 9&10	Sports Hall	GG/JS
<b>Thursday</b>	Badminton	All – Boys	Sports Hall	Sport leaders/PE Staff	Netball	Year 11 & 6 <sup>th</sup> Form	Sports Hall	GG/JS
<b>Friday</b>	Table Tennis	ALL	Gym	Sport leaders/PE Staff	Netball	6 <sup>th</sup> Form	Sports Hall	