

Sir Roger Manwood's School



Easter 2024
Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

My apologies that this message is shorter than normal but I am currently on the school trip to our partner school in The Gambia. I was due to go on the March 2020 trip but that was cancelled just days before we flew out, for obvious reasons.

The examination year is fast approaching - over the past few weeks, the examined GCSE Drama performance, GCSE PE standardisation, and A Level PE orals have all taken place. The GCSE and A Level French, German and Spanish orals, the PE A Level moderation day and the GCSE and A Level Art exam follow quickly after Easter.

We wish all of our Year 11 and Year 13 students the very best of luck for their examinations.

We return to school on Monday 15th April.

Mr Hunter

Headteacher

STUDENT NEWS

In the last newsletter, we mentioned that 3 of our students ran in the Kent Cross Country Championships. Our apologies as there were actually 4 of them. **Raya Zrebiec** (Year 7) became 49th in the Year 7 girls' race in the Cross Country Championship.



At the end of January, some students in Years 9 to 11 sat the UKMT Intermediate Maths Challenge. 6 Gold, 7 Silver and 19 Bronze certificates were awarded. Congratulations to all who sat the Challenge but especial congratulations to **Katerina Koval, Jacob Henderson** and **Flynn Goodrich** who qualified for the follow on Pink Kangaroo competition, and **Lucy Stafford** and **Joshua Godden** who qualified for the Grey Kangaroo competition.

32 A Level Biology students recently sat the British Biology Olympiad. In total, over 15,000 students were involved from 900 schools. Our students secured 4 Highly Commended and 6 Commended certificates but particular congratulations go to the following:

Gold: **Dylan Potter**

Silver **Nicholas Georgiou, Tianna Maidens, Jessica Homewood, Leo Eldridge, Riley Burrett, Alex Gregory**

Bronze: **Marcus Chudleigh, Phoebe Ireland, Isaac Goodbun, Joshua Harding, Caitlin Lavery, Elizabeth Deverson, Harry Laslett, Charley Howard-Grigg**

Award	% awarded to students who took part nationwide	% awarded to students at SRMS	Number awarded to students nationwide	Number awarded to students SRMS
Gold	5%	3%	750	1
Silver	10%	19%	1500	6
Bronze	15%	25%	2250	8
Highly Commended	15%	12.5%	2250	4
Commended	15%	19%	2250	6

Amber Witte (Year 10) competed for Vista Twisters Cheerleading Club in Dusseldorf on 9 March. **Amber and Phelia Bridges** (Year 10) will also be competing at the World Cheerleading Championships held in Orlando, Florida over Easter.

Congratulations to **Kayleigh Luck** (Year 11) who took part in the Southern Counties boxing competition, where she won Gold. She is now ranked number 1 in the Southern Counties and as a result selected to box in the Youth National Championships, where she won a bronze medal. Kayleigh is now ranked number 3 in England. As of January 2023 she has been part of the England Women's program.

Henry Barnes and **Nye Potter** (both Year 9) are part of the Saracen's Development Squad. They also both play for the U14's Canterbury Rugby Club squad which is almost unbeaten this season.



Filip Kostic (Year 9) took part in the World Karate Championships in Malta between 20th March and 25th March 2024. He won the Bronze medal in the Kumite category. Only competitors actively participating in British national competitions can take part in these Championships. Participation at an event of such ranking will help Filip develop the physical and mental side of karate.



George Campling (Year 9) represented SRMS at the Judo British Schools' Championships in Sheffield on Sunday 10 March 2024. After 5 gruelling fights, he won Bronze which is an amazing achievement. Our congratulations to George – and we wish him well for any further competitions he has going forwards.



Alex Dack (Year 12) was part of the Kent teams in 2 two recent major cross country events – the British Inter Counties at Wollaton Park in Nottingham and the English Schools in Pontefract. The Kent teams came third in both.



SUBJECT NEWS

ENGLISH LITERATURE

On 21st March, a group of Year 12 English Literature students visited Shakespeare's Globe to watch Othello. The performance was absolutely outstanding, and provided brilliant material to assist with their evaluation of the text.



GERMAN



The German Faculty of Modern and Medieval Languages and Linguistics at the University of Cambridge invited students interested in German and the German speaking world to take part in a Conference for German Studies. 11 pupils currently studying German at GCSE took up the opportunity and travelled on a Saturday in early March to Cambridge.

The students attended a workshop lead by Thomas Sparrow, a journalist working for the Deutsche Welle Fact Checking Team. The workshop looked at how you find out about news, whether you can trust social media and how you can identify propaganda.

After lunch the group were shown around Gonville & Caius College (Mr Hunter's old college) by current students which gave them an insight of what it is like to study at Cambridge. Seeing the grand buildings both from outside and inside, getting a glimpse of the atmosphere in the college's library, hearing about formal dinners, fellows and supervisions and being able to ask the students about their experience, made our students think about their plans of studying at university and has hopefully encouraged them to have high ambitions.

MATHEMATICS

Two teams of Year 10 students attended the Maths Feast at Canterbury Academy. Our teams managed to win 3 of the 4 individual rounds between them and also the Overall Winner category, despite some strong opposition from 12 other local schools. The team members were **Flynn Goodrich, Jacob Brotherton, James Campbell and James Baker** in Team X and **Jess Lodge, Xander Mirsky, Adair Holmes and Jasper Mummery** in Team Y.



SPORT

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

ALUMNI NEWS

Edward Court Kingsland (1944 to 1949) passed away peacefully on the 26th January 2024. He was affectionately known by all as 'Ted' and joined the OMA in 1951. Ted was a member of the OMA Committee for most of the 1980s, becoming Vice Chair for two years (1981-83) and then Chair for two years (1983-85). Ted was the Mayor of Sandwich from 1994 to 1995.

CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

Lunchtime and Break clubs, Societies and Workshops

Day	Club	Year
Monday	Book Club	7+8
	Business Studies Revision workshop (A level)	12+13
	CAMEO	7
	Charity Committee (Week A)	Student leaders + charity reps
	Eco Society + Grange Fundraising	All
	Manwoodian Editorial Team (Week B)	
	Netball (Girls)	8
Tuesday	Advanced Ukulele	
	Business Studies Revision workshop (GCSE)	10+11
	Drama Club	7+8
	GCSE Art workshop	GCSE Art students
	GCSE English Support sessions	10+11
	GCSE French (Week B)	10+11
	Maths Club	7-9
	Netball (Girls)	7
	Orchestra	All
	Spanish support workshop	All, priority KS4
	SSR drop in	12+13
Wednesday	Badminton (Girls)	All
	Art homework support (silent study)	7-9
	Elastic Band	All
	English Support Sessions	7-11
	Games/Puzzles	by invite
	GCSE Drama Coursework	11
	German Film Club	7-13
	History Club	7-9
	Intermediate Ukulele	
Thursday	Badminton (Boys)	All
	CAMEO	8
	GCSE Art workshop	GCSE Art students
	GCSE German study club	11
	Maths Club	7-9
Friday	Table Tennis	All
	Beginners Ukulele	7+8
	Y7 Art Club (starting after Feb half term)	Y7

After School Societies and Workshops

Day	Club	Year	Time
Monday	Basketball	Y7+8	3.25-4.25
	GCSE Art workshop	GCSE Art students	3.30-4.30
	Golf (Paid activity by application)	All	3.25-4.25
	Homework Club	All	3.20-4.15
	KS3 Science Workshop	7+8	3.30-4.30
Tuesday	A Level Drama Production of 'Sparkleshark	Y12	3.20-4.30
	A Level Chemistry Workshop	12+13	3.30-4.30
	A Level Physics Workshop	12+13	3.30-4.30
	Basketball	Y9-13	3.25-4.25
	GCSE Physics Workshop	10+11	3.30-4.30
	Homework Club	All	3.20-4.15
	KS3 Science Workshop	9	3.30-4.30
Maths Club	10-13	3.30-4.30	
Wednesday	A Level Drama Production of 'Sparkleshark	Y12	3.20-4.30
	A Level Biology Workshop	12+13	3.30-4.30
	A Level Economics Revision Workshop	12+13	3.30-4.15
	GCSE Biology Workshop	10+11	3.30-4.30
	Homework Club	All	3.20-4.15
	Kent Football Academy (Paid activity)	7-10	3.25-4.25
	Netball	Y9+10	3.25-4.25
Thursday	Netball	Y11-13	3.25-4.25
	CCF - Combined Cadet Force	8-13	3.30-5.45
	Chess Club	8+9	3.30-4.30
	GCSE Chemistry workshop	10+11	3.30-4.30
	Homework Club	All	3.20-4.15
	Maths Club	10-13	3.30-4.30
Friday	Badminton	Y12+13	3.25-4.25

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