

## **End of Term Newsletter December 2010**

Dear Parents and Members of the School

### **1. 2010: Another excellent year for the Examination Results**

#### **A Level Results**

An excellent set of results with the overall pass rate at 98% and 64% of all the exams taken passed at the top grades of A\* A and B.

There were many outstanding individual performances with some students gaining all their passes at the new top grade of A\*. Two students gained 5 A\* passes which was outstanding. A number of students also gained A\* for their A Level Extended Project. Six students gained places at Oxford and Cambridge which again was outstanding.

The students and their teachers are to be congratulated. Across the board everybody's hard work was rewarded. In these very competitive times for university entry it was pleasing to know that nearly all our students would be able to pursue their degree studies at the universities of their choice.

#### **GCSE Results**

An outstanding set of results with new records set this year. 54% of all the exams taken were passed at the top grades of A\* and A. 23 students passed all their 11 subjects at these top grades and 18 students achieved nearly all A\* passes.

The overall pass rate A\*-C was very high at 95% and the average points score per candidate at 542 is a new record for the school. This equates to an average of more than 10 grade A passes per student.

It is very pleasing to see the hard work of the students and their teachers rewarded in this way. Congratulations are due to everyone concerned, and we look forward to the students building upon these excellent foundations in their A Level studies in the Sixth Form.

The students' academic success was celebrated in school on two major occasions this term. At Speech Day in late October Laura Sandys, MP for our constituency of Thanet South, presented the prizes and spoke to the school about having resilience and determination to succeed. At the end of term the GCSE and A Level Presentation Evening was held when the students received their well-earned examination certificates. At this occasion it is always good to see many

Year 13 leavers return to school giving us the opportunity to catch up on their first term at university or their Gap Year activities. It was a very joyful occasion with Miss Peycelon doing a particularly entertaining job of introducing each of the returning students to the audience.

## **2. School Closure (bad weather) Procedures**

A timely reminder given the weather so far this winter:

### **a) If the school is forced to close in the course of the school day:-**

This decision is taken as soon as possible, erring on the side of caution – a safe journey home is the paramount consideration. If severe weather is forecast, parents are asked to make arrangements for their child(ren) either to enter the home or to stay with a neighbour.

### **b) When a decision to close is made in advance of the school day:-**

Radio announcements appear on BBC Radio Kent, Heart FM and KMFM Radio, usually after the hourly news and at the half hour.

Information will also be posted on the school web-site on the Home Page.

Every effort will be made to come to a decision as early as possible. However, this often means making a decision early in the morning. The school will again err on the side of caution in the interests of safety.

### **c) When the school is open:-**

Pupils are expected to attend if they can reach school safely by mid-morning. They are not expected to take serious risks in order to get to school. Parents are asked to let the school know by 9.00 a.m. (either by telephone or by email to [head@srms.kent.sch.uk](mailto:head@srms.kent.sch.uk)) if their child(ren) cannot get to school. If travel is by bus or car, the local bus station or the A.A. will advise on the situation. If travel is by rail, South Eastern Trains will advise on any disruption to the timetable.

As in the case of illness, parents are asked to supply a note once return to school is possible, giving the reason for absence and the exact date(s) of absence.

## **3. Students Absences (Sickness and Appointments) – The Necessary Protocol For Parents To Follow**

Parents are reminded of the importance of contacting the school before 9.00 a.m. by telephone to inform us of a student's absence. It is also important that a call is made for each and every day that the child is off school. Following on from the telephone call, every absence must be followed up with a letter confirming the reasons why your child has been unable to attend school. When telephoning the school on 01304 613286 parents need to dial 1 for the dedicated absence answer machine where they are able to leave a message.

Thank you for your cooperation.

#### **4. Academy Status an Option**

As notified to all parents and students by letter recently, the Governors are presently exploring the possibility of converting to Academy Status. Before making any final decision they need to satisfy themselves that this is the best way forward for the school.

Part of this process is to hear the views of the students and their parents. A meeting has, therefore, been calendared for Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2011 at 7.00pm in the School Hall where students and parents can come to ask any questions they may have about Academy Status.

Information about Academy Status has also been posted in the student area of Moodle and on the school's web-site under "News". The DfE web-site is another source of useful information with a section on "Academy Status – Frequently Asked Questions": [www.education.gov.uk/schools/leadership/typesofschool/academies](http://www.education.gov.uk/schools/leadership/typesofschool/academies).

#### **5. Staff Farewells**

The end of this term sees only one departure from the staff. Mr William Lee, ICT Technician, joined the school two and a half years ago. Inevitably during this period there have been many developments in the school's ICT infrastructure with many new challenges to overcome. Mr Lee now moves on to a new post as ICT Network Manager at a school in Bromley. We wish him all the best and thank him for all his good work at Manwood's.

#### **6. New Web-Site**

The work on the design of the school's new web-site is now well advanced and we are anticipating going live during the course of next half term. As well as the new striking visual appearance, the main priority is to make all the important information to be found there easily accessible. We anticipate it becoming a very useful conduit for providing the latest information about life in school and another means of keeping parents well informed.

#### **7. ParentMail**

Thank you to all the parents who have provided their email addresses. Again, we hope during the course of next half-term to begin to use email communication where possible and thereby cut down on the amount of paper currently sent home.

We still do not, however, have everybody's email address and could I therefore urge you, if you have not already done so, to provide the school with this information to enable as full a coverage as possible.

#### **8. Sixth Form Dinner**

The annual Sixth Form Dinner was held at The Bell Hotel in Sandwich on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> November this year.

The event proved a great success with Manwood's students bringing an air of glamour, and not a little sophistication to The Bell. The hotel responded in kind by producing an excellent menu and looking after us very well.

Rory Sharvill was the Guest Speaker. Rory left Manwood's in 2004 and then went on to study Medicine at Cardiff University. He has just qualified this year and drove back from Bristol, where he is working in his first post as a qualified doctor, to be with us on the evening. His speech was very entertaining and eloquently delivered without notes. The message to everyone was not to be afraid to challenge oneself and aspire high. He was conscious that Manwood's had given him an excellent foundation upon which to go forward and urged all the present sixth form to make the most of what the school has to offer.

## **9. Mathematics and ICT Specialism**

This has been a very busy term with regard to the Maths and ICT Specialism. The main features have been:

### **United Kingdom Mathematical Trust Senior Challenge**

Last month Year 12 mathematics classes sat the UKMT Senior Mathematics Challenge. Andrew Carlotti, still in year 11, made only one error and Damon Sutton came a very close second. A further 4 Gold Awards were awarded to Connor Gower, Eric Leung, Audrey Ho and Jeremy Lee. There were also 5 Silver and 10 Bronze Awards. The thinking required for these tests goes well beyond the A level syllabus and these results are major achievements. Andrew Carlotti's result placed him in the top 20 nationally, and he has again been invited to take part in training for the National team. He will, therefore, be traveling to Hungary over the Christmas holidays.

Both Andrew and Damon Sutton also sat a 3½ hour test as part of the next round of the British Maths Olympiad – we await the results!

### **United Kingdom Mathematical Trust Senior Team Competition**

A team of 4 pupils were entered for the UKMT Senior Maths Team Challenge. Naomi Walker, Grace Wan, Eric Leung and Kevin Sung travelled with Mr Neeve to Cobham Hall in North Kent. The trip itself was an experience as the hall is so steeped in history. The team were first given a meal and then the competition began. As above, the maths in this competition is much more about speed of thought and logical thinking than any syllabus and the team from Manwood's did very well coming fourth out of sixteen teams. The strength in depth of Manwood's mathematicians means that we are always a team to be feared in these competitions.

### **Outreach Visits to Primary Schools**

This continues to gather pace, with Miss Wadsworth in demand from an increasing number of the school's feeder primary schools. Miss Wadsworth has visited 10 schools this term, each school has had two visits with pupils working on a variety of problems investigating the effect of changing input numbers and trying to predict outcomes. Mr Neeve continues to send tasks each week to primary schools and the number of schools on the list continues to increase. The feedback from both these initiatives is very positive.

### **Primary Maths Competition at Manwood's**

This was very much the highlight of the term, it is only a pity that the event was affected by the snowy conditions. In the end 14 teams of the hoped for 23 were able to attend, but this proved to be sufficient for an excellent competition. The questions were set by the mathematics department and the whole afternoon was organised by Miss Wadsworth and a very able team

of sixth formers. The primary school children present seemed to enjoy themselves and tackled the questions with determination and a lot of lateral thinking. Prizes were awarded to the teams in the first three places and a shield was awarded to Sandwich Junior as the overall winners of the competition. It was good to see the impact the school is having on the local feeder schools and the enthusiasm for such a competition was clear to see. It is planned to invite the teams which missed this occasion due to the weather to a second event at the start of next term.

## **ICT**

### **First Lego League Competition 2010**

Following two months of building lego challenge models and the robots to conquer these, the date for the regional final at the University of Kent in Canterbury arrived on 25<sup>th</sup> November. The theme for the challenge this year was Body Forward, looking at how technology is used in medicine. As well as the robot challenge, entrants had to research a topic within the theme and present their findings to an audience and then to the judging panel.

Manwood's entered a team of 6 students from Years 8 to 11. Unfortunately, due to technical difficulties with the build of the robot and programming, Manwood's was unable to attempt the robot challenge. The students were however interviewed to assess their teamwork and their presentation was completed very successfully. Our students were also able to watch other teams attempting the challenges – often with very limited success!

Particularly noteworthy was David Wilkinson's contribution. David researched the topic and wrote an informative play for the team to perform. The other team members were Helena Heath, Alex Dixon, Gianluca Marazzi, James Humphreys and Dylan Proudlock-Damms. All the team members received certificates and medals for their participation on the day.

### **Manwood's Radio Update**

Both hardware and software has now been purchased. Discussion forums on Moodle are very active and a number of meetings have taken place. It has been decided that shows will be recorded before transmission in order to allow for quality control and to give pupils the ability to replay recordings later when it is convenient to do so. There are licensing implications associated with this change of tack which are currently being investigated. We are hoping that the radio station will be up and running shortly.

### **Cross Phase Project**

As part of our commitment to outreach to local primary schools, a group of Year 7 students have taken part in a video conference this term with schools in Ash, Kingsdown and Wingham. Students now at Manwood's who had attended these primaries were able to speak to their previous teachers and younger pupils. The Year 6 pupils were able to ask our students questions about school life at Manwood's. Information was given honestly and with enthusiasm and the feedback from the primary schools was very positive.

## 10. Technology Faculty

### 'Clothes Show Live' Trip

Fortunately the snow cleared and the Year 11, 12 & 13 Textiles Technology groups were able to leave school at 6:30 a.m. on the 6<sup>th</sup> December to make the formidable journey to the Clothes Show Live at the NEC near Birmingham. This is always a popular trip, which is run biannually. It is also a highly valuable trip as it offers a wide range of sources of inspiration for the examination students. The **College Forum** enabled the students to meet representatives from over 35 colleges and universities who offer courses in fashion and related subjects.

Celebrities were evident and George Lamb allowed his photo to be taken with a number of our students – much to their excitement.

This year the new boy band 'Injustice' launched an action packed **Fashion Theatre** show, which took the theme of 'A Night at the Movies' offering rich variation of film themes and eras. Apart from the main Fashion Theatre there were a number of other catwalks dispersed throughout the main exhibition area, 'The Red Carpet Designer Catwalk' and 'Style Show' to name but a few. There were stands, with demonstrations throughout the day, showing the latest sewing machines and other relevant textiles technology. The exhibition area was divided into zones, allowing the students to delve into stands displaying a variety of craft items, cut price clothes and accessories. It was a very successful day and has provided a wealth of inspiration for the future.



### 'Create Event' Trip

Miss Baker organised a trip for Year 12 and 13 Product Design Students to the Create Event at the Victoria and Albert Museum in November. Our students took part in lectures, demonstrations and interactive exhibits with the focus being on careers in the Creative Industries.

## **STEM Activities**

Information on next years STEM courses for Years 10 – 12 students are now available on the STEM boards outside the Physics Department, in TB1 and on Moodle. These highly subsidised courses at University venues produce a valuable insight for students considering a career in Engineering/Technology. As competition for places at top universities becomes ever more keen attendance on such courses can be advantageous.

## **Donations Welcome**

We are always on the 'look out' for off cuts in wood, metal and plastics for project work. If you have a quantity of clean off-cuts we would be pleased to collect them. Thanks to Stevens & Carlotti and Sign Scope for their generous donations.

## **11. Drama Report**

This term has been a full and exciting one for the department. Both the GCSE groups have seen two very different types of show at the Theatre Royal, Margate. Year 10 attended 'Moonfleet' and 'Hamlet', and Year 11: 'I'm a Minger' (reviewed in the school magazine) and 'Lysistcata', a sample of ancient Greek comedy, rather rude but great fun! The Sixth Form groups also saw the latter, as well as seeing an excellent production of Pinter's 'The Caretaker' and attending 'An Audience with Steven Berkoff', both events at The Gulbenkian Theatre, Canterbury.

The Year 11 group were also invited to take part in a multi-media production, 'Imagine a Spectacle'. This included a session at UCA in Canterbury to watch and discuss 'The Loneliness of the Long Distance Runner', workshop sessions at school which were filmed and then a live performance at 'The Theatre Royal' on 29<sup>th</sup> October as part of the Canterbury Festival. The filmed sessions were shown at the same time showing the full creative process exploring issues of identity. They should all be very proud of what they achieved and all gained in confidence as performers through the experience.

On Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> November there was a memorial charity concert at St Mary's, Sandwich to remember those named on the November Memorial. The Theatre Studies group (all year 12 and 2 Year 13's) presented a 20 minute extract from 'Oh What a Lovely War' giving them an excellent opportunity to experience how complicated this play is to put on! Max Robinson from the GCSE group also took part and stayed until the end of the evening to play the Last Post – The songs, humour and pathos of the pieces presented were very well received.

During the last weeks leading up to Christmas all groups are busy preparing their performance pieces showing a full range of theatrical techniques, monologues and fables in Year 7, pantomime in Year 8, text based work or mask and mime in Year 9. Year 10 are working on scenes from 'The Crucible', while Year 11 are performing pieces of political and physical theatre. The AS and A2 groups are preparing for their mocks and their examined performance pieces in the Spring Term. Many are also involved in the next School Musical to be presented in February.

## **12. Boarding: Life at Manwood Lodge**

Mrs Coles reports that with half the house being new this year, it has taken a while to get routines in place, but everyone is now settled and getting on well together. We have had a few outings already: 2 shopping days, one to Ashford outlet and more recently to 'Bluewater'. We

went to see the outstanding firework display at Leeds Castle when, amazingly, it stayed dry until the event was over! Just before the end of term we will have our manic Christmas Day in the house followed by a trip to the Panto at the Marlowe Big Top.

### **13. Language College Specialism**

#### **India Trip 2010**

On 16th October 10 students from Years 11 & 12, accompanied by Mr. Stedman and Miss Lupton, embarked on the first Manwood's trip to India. The group spent a week at our new Indian partner school, Shree Krishna Pranami Public School, in the state of Haryana, about 5 hours drive northwest of the capital Delhi. Their students had already visited us in July, as part of our inaugural exchange, which we are planning to run annually in the future. They then spent the following week on tour, visiting the cities of Delhi, Agra (home to the Taj Mahal) and Jaipur. The group thoroughly enjoyed their experience and were lucky enough to get off the beaten track, as well as seeing many of India's most famous tourist attractions. Plans for next year's trip will start sometime in the New Year!



#### **International School Award**

As well as the successful trip to India, this term also saw re-accreditation being awarded to the school for the Full International School Award by the British Council. This was the culmination of a lot of hard work throughout the last academic year by both students and teachers alike and a pleasing recognition of the outstanding international dimension of many activities at school.

#### **Looking forward to The Gambia and China 2011**

Plans are progressing well for this April's trip to Gambia; students have now been selected from a huge amount of applications. Commiserations to those who were not successful; this was highly competitive and we urge to those in Year 12 that were not selected to apply next year. Unfortunately we can only take 10 students. A non-uniform day was held in school recently to help raise funds for the Gamble Charity as part of our commitment to the development of the educational facilities that the charity provides in The Gambia.

We will be interviewing for places on the China trip in the new year; again we have had a huge response for a very limited amount of places to teach in the Summer School at our partner school, Hengshui High School, so good luck to all those that have applied - unfortunately we cannot take all of you!

### **Primary Outreach Work**

Supporting Primary Modern Foreign Languages is an important part of our role as a Specialist Language College. Coordinated by Mrs Hargrave our outreach team consisting of herself, two Advanced Skills Teachers and four primary based lead teachers have continued to support primary teachers in the Deal/Sandwich and Dover areas. A number of schools have now been awarded Kent accreditation at Bronze, Silver and Gold levels and others are currently being helped to prepare for this. Once again, training events have been arranged and specially prepared teaching resources on the topics of Winter and Christmas have been sent out to all of our schools.

### **German Exchange – December 2010**

Despite the wintry weather thirty one students and three teachers made a safe journey to the Christmas card-like landscape of Sundern in the Sauerland, Germany. Despite almost daily heavy snowfalls, the group was able to make the usual trips to Cologne, Soest and Münster as well as spending some time observing life in our German partner school. The students enjoyed themselves a lot and look forward to receiving their German partners next term.

### **Mandarin Chinese Speaking Competition**

On 13<sup>th</sup> December 2010, seven students, accompanied by two teachers Mrs Nelson and Mr Zhao, went to the national Chinese Speaking Competition that is organised by the British Council. The venue this year was the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE) with northern competitors attending Newcastle University.

Our students competed in two different categories:

In the Individual Language Ability Section, Michael Tawiah (9K), competing at the Beginner Level, did his 2 minute presentation, translated sentences from English to Chinese, and answered questions about Chinese culture. Connor Gower (12A) took the Advanced Level because he had reached the Competition Final last year. Connor gave a presentation, did a translation, and made an impromptu speech. Both of them performed to a very good standard.

There were 5 students involved in the Group Performance: Shemuel Sheikh (9Tu) Seamus Canning (8K), Abigail Apps (13E), Jeannette Smith (13A), and Nikki Stockhall (13B). They performed a Chinese play, 'Mulan' written by Jeannette Smith, which was based on an ancient Chinese poem. Again, all the students did very well having prepared and rehearsed hard for a number of weeks. We look forward to the results in the New Year.

### **Out of Hours Classes**

Just a reminder that we have French and Spanish classes running after school and that it is not too late to join.

French is for people with little French who wish to develop further their knowledge of the language whilst gaining in confidence. These run every Wednesday from 5 to 6 p.m. We also have a Spanish class for beginners or near beginners running every Monday from 4 to 5 p.m.

Finally, next term, in addition to the above, we will be running an ICT class. This will be on Tuesdays, from 6 to 7 p.m.

We also have a teacher willing to run a Maths class for parents wishing to refresh their Maths skills, possibly in order to help their children with homework. This could run if there is sufficient interest.

The cost of the sessions is £35 per term (10 sessions at £3.50)

If interested in any of the above, please contact Martine Hargrave by phoning the School or email her at [mh@srms.kent.sch.uk](mailto:mh@srms.kent.sch.uk)

#### **14. Charity Committee**

In November a cheque for £5,500 was handed over to a representative of the Samantha Dickson Brain Tumour Trust in front of the whole school in an assembly held in the Sports Hall. This was the fruition of last year's fund-raising efforts for the chosen school charity and was an opportunity to remind ourselves of the excellent work done by this charity.

This term the 50-strong Charity Committee have already been very active raising money for another cancer charity. So far, through cake sales and a sticky stall, over £600 has been raised. Thanks to the eager support of members of the school the old cake stall record for funds raised in one day was smashed.

In addition to this, the Committee has worked with the local community organising a fantastic Harvest Festival Assembly and delivering almost 80 food parcels to the elderly in the locality. Most recently, many of the recipients of our harvest gifts, with a few extra, including old Manwoodians, were invited into school for the annual Christmas Lunch. Another record was broken when more guests arrived than ever before, to the extent that the members of the Charity Committee had to share cutlery. Many thanks to Ray and his faithful canteen staff for providing such a fantastic meal.

Thank you again to all the members of the Charity Committee and to all the members of the school that support their efforts.

#### **15. Kent East Guides to Africa**

Last summer Gemma Hill (Year 10) went with the Guides on a trip to South Africa. The main focus was to work with an Orphanage there – God's Golden Acre. As part of her commitment to the venture Gemma had to raise a significant amount of funds in advance of going and the school was able to make a small contribution in this regard. On her return Gemma produced a detailed report of her experiences which were exciting, inspiring and very worthwhile.

Charlotte Ansell (Year 8) is hoping to do something similar next summer as she has been selected from the South East Kent Guides to go on a trip to Kenya. The school will again offer some support in her fund-raising efforts as she prepares for next summer.

## 16. Art

### Florence Art/Italian Trip

The Art department teamed up with the Italian department for a 6<sup>th</sup> form trip to Florence in November 2010. The group arrived in Florence after an early start to beautiful blue skies. After some time to settle in at the hotel we had a traditional Italian meal and then visited some of Florence's beautiful Piazzas. The students saw a wealth of grand and inspiring art in the galleries such as



Michelangelo's *David* and Botticelli's *The Birth of Venus*. A trip on an open top bus took the group on a sight seeing tour of Florence and then up to the hillside village of Fiesole, to gain panoramic views of the city. The Italian students visited Macchiavelli Capponi Classico School; they participated in lessons and gave a presentation to staff and pupils. A quick stop in Pisa on the way back to the airport allowed time for the typical photo opportunity at the leaning tower!



### Saatchi Online

SRMS art students have work exhibited on the online Saatchi Gallery Art Prize for Schools for 2010. The prize is open to primary, secondary and sixth form schools from around the world. To view work visit the website:

<http://www.saatchi-gallery.co.uk/portfolio/SchoolInfo/Sir+Roger+Manwoods+School/58.html>.

## **John Downton Awards 2010**

Congratulations to Kate Sales who won a Silver Award in the prestigious John Downton Awards. Kate's work was short listed and selected from a large submission across Kent. Matt Gwyn and Madeline Vian were also short listed. All short listed work is on display at County Hall, Maidstone until 3 December in honour of John Downton, the English artist, poet and philosopher.

## **17. Music**

The Autumn term seems to have been busier than ever with all manner of musical performances and activities, looking not only inwards to the school but also outward to the wider community. The following provides a summary of the end results of a lot of hard work by pupils and staff and the range and diversity of what is achieved every term is a tribute to the dedication and commitment of so many people.

*Divertimento* on October 1<sup>st</sup> got the performing term off to a start with the usual mix of ensemble and solo performances in the Common Room and M1. Members of the new Year 7 took part and it was good to welcome parents and other guests for a relaxed and sociable evening of musical entertainment.

Starter group lessons on guitar, saxophone and keyboard have been taking place under our *Overture* Scheme throughout the term and have attracted a good number of pupils, especially in Years 7 and 8. If you would like to start a new musical instrument, or at least give it a go on a trial basis then please see Mr Williams. If there is a demand it may be possible to provide further opportunities for taster lessons next term and beyond.

The school hosted a rehearsal for the Pfizer Wind Orchestra in the school hall on October 13<sup>th</sup> to raise awareness of this accomplished local music organisation. If you are interested in getting involved in PWO then check out their website ([www.pwo.org](http://www.pwo.org)) for further information.

As is customary, Speech Day on 22<sup>nd</sup> October brought the first half of term to a close with music from the School Orchestra and excerpts from the forthcoming production of *The Sound of Music* (Feb 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>). Other formal events in school included the Harvest and Remembrance assemblies, including music from the Chamber Choir and the combined forces of the Brass and String Groups.

Pianists from all Year groups took part in an informal evening recital put on in the Music Department on November 15<sup>th</sup> by Lady Nikki Douglas. This was a good opportunity to hear for the first time in a concert situation the new grand piano purchased by the department from a generous grant from the Norah Seary Trust.

The term has seen two visits to musical events in London. A group of 40 pupils attended the *Schools Prom* in the Royal Albert Hall on 8<sup>th</sup> November to enjoy performances from young musicians from all over the UK in one of the world's great arenas. We also ran a trip for music theatre enthusiasts to see *Billy Elliot* on 25<sup>th</sup> November. This was a spectacular and often very moving production, and the evening was greatly enjoyed by everyone who went, despite the coach breaking down (mercifully close to home) at midnight necessitating parents driving down to Whitfield to collect pupils and staff from the side of the A2. Watch out for more opportunities to visit London productions and concerts in 2011.

The Christmas end of term has brought with it the usual round of concerts, carol services and special assemblies. The Christmas Concert on Dec 9<sup>th</sup> attracted a full school hall of parents, pupils and staff for performances of a high standard by all major school ensembles.

The Chamber Choir took part in a charity concert in a *VERY* cold St Martin's Church, Great Mongeham on 10<sup>th</sup> December. There were a number of choir items and soloists Gina Skinner, Mhairi Thatcher and Kate Spencer brought plenty of seasonal cheer to a very successful concert that raised over £500 for Macmillan Cancer Research.

The String Group provided music for the annual Certificate Evening in the Sports Hall in the last week of term which was much appreciated. The Carol Services were accompanied in school by the School Orchestra, and in St Clement's Church by the Chamber Choir with Organist of Rochester Cathedral, Roger Sayer.

The Rock & Pop returned after a break last term on 16<sup>th</sup> Dec with a rich and varied programme of rock music, bringing the term to an upbeat and enthusiastic close.

Thank you to everyone who has been involved in this term's music and a glance at what is already on the cards for next term will see that there is much to look forward to, particularly on an international level. Merry Christmas!

### Music Dates for Next Term

Jazz Band perform in Lower Hardres, Canterbury	Jan 28 <sup>th</sup>
The Sound of Music	Feb 10 <sup>th</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup>
Jazz Band perform at Honfleur Twinning Association event at Sandwich Guildhall	March 10 <sup>th</sup>
Orchestra and Choir tour to Lisbon, Portugal	March 17 <sup>th</sup> – 22 <sup>nd</sup>
Chamber Choir visit to College du Bras d'Or, Montreuil-sur-Mer (including joint concert)	March 29 <sup>th</sup>
Founders Day	April 1 <sup>st</sup>
Orchestra day visit to Hardelot including concert	April 3 <sup>rd</sup>
Return visit and joint concert with College du Bras d'Or	April 5 <sup>th</sup>
Spring Concert	April 7 <sup>th</sup>



Instrumental tuition and ensemble membership are available to all pupils in the school. It is never too late to get involved in the sort of activities and events you have read about above.

### 18. Speaker's Day – Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2010

This year it was Sandwich's turn to host this annual ceremony commemorating the important role of The Confederation of the Cinque Ports in the maritime history of this country. The Order of Proceedings included a Church service, a procession through the town and a celebratory

lunch and it was pleasing that Sir Roger Manwood's was invited to play its role in the celebrations. As is customary at many of the town's civic events the CCF Band made its contribution to the town procession whilst the Jazz Band provided excellent musical entertainment at the Lunch. In the words of the Town Clerk "the Sir Roger Manwood's CCF Band and Jazz Band were both superb and a credit to the School."

### **19. Young Enterprise**

As always many Year 12 students are participating in the Young Enterprise Scheme and two companies were formed earlier this term. "Zest" has been working hard on the preparation of a book aimed at teaching modern foreign languages to primary school children, and its publication is anticipated over the next few weeks. In addition they have organised a Year 7 disco.

The other company "Swift" have been a little slower in deciding on their product or service but they intend to be aiming at the Valentines Day market.

### **20. Student Investor Challenge 2010/11**

This year we have six teams of four Year 12 students participating in the Student Investor Challenge. They have been investing their imaginary £100,000 on the Stock Market since the beginning of November. Four of the six teams are making a profit with their portfolio, and our best team "The Buffetts" have made a healthy £5,545 profit (as of 8<sup>th</sup> December). This places them in 78<sup>th</sup> position out of 2324 in the South East region (i.e. in the top 3.5%).

They have until the first week of February 2011 to get into the top 20 teams in the South East to be invited to the Regional Final. With all to play for any of our teams could be in the final in March following in the footsteps of our successful investors of the recent past.

### **21. David Starkey Debating Competition 2010/11**

The competition is now well underway with 16 teams of 2 from Years 12 and 13 taking part. The debating topics are taken from the Debating Matters website and touch on many current and controversial issues. Debates are held on Wednesday lunchtimes (1.30pm - Room 3) and staff act as the judges and chair-people. This is a fantastic experience for our Sixth Formers, who learn how to plan and structure arguments, deliver engaging and persuasive speeches and think on their feet when asked some tricky questions by the judges and the audience. I urge Sixth Formers who are not taking part in the debates to go along and watch and ask questions of the debaters; debates are always stimulating and sometimes even heated! The final of the competition is to be in April; teams have to go through three rounds of debates successfully in order to reach the final - good luck to everyone taking part! Mrs Mitchell would like to thank Mr Dyson, Mrs Spencer, Mrs Rose, Mrs Heaven and Mr Gonzalez for giving up their lunchtimes to support the debates; without them (and the enthusiastic debaters themselves), the competition could not take place.

### **22. The Manwoodian Competition 2010**

The theme of this year's competition was REGENERATION - chosen due to the fact that there is a new editor in charge of The Manwoodian, as well as a new and regenerated Manwoodian Media Team and the fact that this year's edition is printed in full colour for the first time. Other topical links are to do with the economic recovery, the London Olympics in 2012 and even the new Doctor Who! The standard has been very good this year, particularly under the category of

Fictional Short Story where winners were split into Juniors and Seniors due to the number of high quality entries. The other categories were Non-Fiction, Poetry and Art & Photography. Congratulations to all of our winners and many thanks to everyone who entered and made the competition such a success. All entries received House Points, as did all winners who also received WHSmiths vouchers.

***Fictional Short-Story - Juniors***

**1st PLACE:** Emma Dobbs 8TR, **2nd PLACE:** Robyn Towler 7TU, **3rd PLACE:** Charlie Harman 9D, **MERIT:** Jordan Burn 7D, Juliet Daniels 7D.

***Fictional Short- Story – Seniors***

**1st PLACE:** Elizabeth Stowell 10B, **2nd PLACE:** Katy Sales 12C, **3rd PLACE:** Chloe Brown 10C, **MERIT:** Katie Brooks 12D

***Non-Fiction***

**1st PLACE:** Sam Wood 13D, **2nd PLACE:** Katie Williams 7D, **3rd PLACE:** Marte Van der Graaf 7D

***Poetry - Seniors***

**1st PLACE:** Daniel Tripp 13D, **2nd PLACE:** Connor Gower 12A

***Poetry - Juniors***

**1st PLACE:** James Lord 9D, **2nd PLACE:** Lydia Elliott 7K, **JOINT 3rd PLACE:** Alana Wennerstrom 7D & Sarah Wood 7D, **MERIT:** Damon Short 7D, Alex Waldron 7D, Emily Clugston 7TU, Emma Rudge 7D

***Art/Photography***

**1st PLACE:** Luke Upton 10A, **2nd PLACE:** Maddy Stock 7TU, **3<sup>rd</sup> PLACE:** Savannah Lord 11E, **MERIT:** Richard Manion 10D, James McKenna 9TU, Emily Clugston 7TU

**23. The Manwoodian Magazine 2009/10**

The Manwoodian showcases all of the considerable efforts and achievements made by pupils and staff at Sir Roger Manwood's School during the last academic year, bringing together a permanent and comprehensive record of all of the wide-ranging activities and successes at the school. All pupils currently at the school receive a complimentary copy of the magazine, as do the Year 13 leavers and all staff and governors. Revenue is gained from local advertisers in order to support the printing costs and their contributions are much appreciated.

The magazine has moved to full colour this year; savings have been made in the editing process which have enabled these developments to be funded. Many sections of the magazine have been enhanced by the move to colour. Whilst the Art section continues to delight, other sections such as Music, Drama and Sport have come alive with the addition of colour and the whole magazine has become an even greater pleasure to read.

Mrs Mitchell (as Editor of the magazine) takes much pride in the commitment and enthusiasm demonstrated by the new and expanding editorial team, which has grown in size and enthusiasm this year, allowing many individuals to demonstrate particular talents and skills in organising, motivating others, working independently, interviewing, writing and photography. Many thanks also to all of the staff who worked so hard to provide articles and photographs for their events and activities from the past year.

The Manwoodian Media Team will be recruiting new members next term, particularly from Years 7 and 12 (who have not yet had the opportunity to join the team). Look out for the recruitment posters or see Mrs Mitchell if you are interested in joining.



## 24. Library News

All Year 7s started the term with a Library induction and the opportunity to choose a free book from a choice of twelve. This initiative is run by an organisation called Booktrust and is a really good way of encouraging reading. Year 7 have also been learning about the Dewey system and how to find books in the Library.

National Poetry Day in October was celebrated with a Magnetic Poetry session which produced some interesting results! We have also had a Book Fair this term which was very popular and generated over £100 of free books for the Library. Thank you to all who supported this.

A new development this term which has produced much interest is the start of a DVD collection. The aim is to provide titles which will complement the book stock and help students studying English Literature, languages, Film Studies etc. We have some Shakespeare, documentaries, and films based on classic novels and well-known children's books, for example 'The Kite Runner' and 'Goodnight Mister Tom'. Students may borrow age-appropriate DVDs for a short loan.

This term and until the end of March we are collecting Box Tops as part of the Nestle Box Tops for Books scheme. If your family eats 'Shreddies', 'Cheerios' etc please send in the tokens! Collection boxes are in the Library and Reception.

Finally, a reminder about Library opening times:

Monday – Thursday	8.30-4.30
Friday	8.30-4.00

There are sometimes meetings in the Library after school, but students can always go to Room F for Homework Club.

## **25. Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme**

The term started with 23 completing their Gold Qualifying Expedition and 4 their Gold Practice Expedition in the Yorkshire Dales. The students rose to the challenge and successfully navigated their chosen routes which included Pen-y-gent, Whernside and Ingleborough in excellent weather conditions.

The main focus of this term has been on students completing the various levels of the award which culminated in the presentation evening at Duke of York's Royal Military School. 36 students received their Bronze Award, 20 their Silver Award and 6 their Gold Award – an outstanding number of students which reflects well on their commitment. Many thanks must also go to those staff who support the D of E Scheme in school under the leadership of Mr Lawrence. Indeed, the White Cliffs D of E Panel has recognised again this year the special contribution made by Manwood's to the success of the D of E Scheme in this area. They have written to the school to commend the excellent work being done and awarded £100 to be used by SRMS for the benefit of its students participating in the scheme.

A large number of students have enrolled on the award this term and training for the expedition section of the award will continue to take place during the Spring and Summer Term. New entrants to the award are expected to check their activities are suitable for each of the sections on the Duke of Edinburgh website [www.dofe.org](http://www.dofe.org) and make sure they start the activities as soon as possible.

## **26. CCF**

Under the leadership of Commanding Officer Lou Martin the CCF continues to offer a wide variety of activities to its cadets:

### **Adventure Training**

During the school summer holidays five cadets attended adventure training courses in Wales and Scotland. The individual courses included White Water Kayaking, Summer Mountain Proficiency Training and a canoeing expedition on the River Spey.

### **Shooting**

The CCF Shooting team competed on 17 September against the OMA team. The OMA team were victorious but the CCF team has some promising youngsters who will soon be a match for the OMAs and hopefully win the trophy back soon. Our next shoot is on Saturday, 11 December.

### **Adult Training**

This term a number of the adult staff attended courses on Range Management, Adventure Training Instruction and Obstacle Course Instruction.

### **Army Air Corps Visit**

Perhaps the highlight of the term for most cadets was the visit to SRMS by two helicopters from the Army Air Corps. An Apache Attack Helicopter was first to visit. The two pilots took time to show the helicopter to the cadets and then gave a short presentation on the helicopter capabilities in a classroom. A fortnight later the Army Air Corps Schools Liaison Officer came to

the school with a Lynx helicopter. All the cadets and some of the staff had a familiarisation flight around the local area.

### **Cadet Instructor Training**

Seven cadets in Year 10 are completing a 6 week course in Method of Instruction which is basic training in instructional techniques. These cadets will be the junior instructors next year and be involved in training the Year 8 cadets who join in January and May.

### **Corps Of Drums**

The CCF Corps of Drums started the term by performing in the Sandwich Carnival. This was followed by the School Divertimento (1 October), the Confederation of Cinque Ports Parade (2 October) and the Remembrance parades at school (11 November) and in Sandwich (14 November). LCpl Maxwell Robinson played the Last Post at school and in Market Street for Remembrance Sunday and LCpl Jack West-Sherring played the Last Post at Howe Barracks in Canterbury. The final performance of the term was at the Sandwich Christmas Carnival (evening of 26 November) where the uniforms were complimented with scarves, Santa hats and mittens to keep the musicians warm! The Band continues to play to a high standard and special thanks to Lt Col (Retd) Harlow for his drive and organisation of the band.

### **Year 8 Recruitment**

We look forward to meeting the Year 8 pupils who will join the CCF in the New Year. The minimum age for joining cadets is 13 years so those pupils old enough may join in January. Thereafter younger pupils will be able to join in May.

### **Looking Ahead**

In the spring term senior cadets will be taught to fire the Light Support Weapon and then have an opportunity to shoot on a Range Day when the younger cadets will fire the Cadet A2 rifle. Towards the end of the spring term when the days are warmer and longer the CCF will spend a night on exercise and soon after that enter a team into the Southeast Regional Military Skills Competition. During the Easter break the Contingent will go to Wales for our own Adventure Training camp.

## **27. Girls' Hockey Report**

On the whole the season has been a very positive one. Despite suffering a higher proportion of cancellations than normal, due to the bad weather, we achieved a 65% success rate overall in the games we were able to play.

The 1<sup>st</sup> X1 got off to a flying start with an impressive 5-0 win against St Edmund's, Canterbury. This gave us confidence and self-belief as we went into the County Tournament. First round victories over Dover College, Beneden, Kent College (Pembury) and Sevenoaks ensured that we won our group and proceeded on to the quarter-finals where we met Simon Langton. The team produced some excellent hockey, scoring 5 goals in 20 minutes with no concessions. To reach the semi-final in this prestigious event is a major achievement and something that has eluded us for more than 10 years. Our opponents were a very well-drilled Sutton Valence team and we held our own until the final whistle. The 0-0 score line meant penalty strokes had to decide the outcome, which, unfortunately, we lost. Of the remaining 7 matches 3 were won in convincing style, 2 were lost and 2 were cancelled. It is difficult to pick out individuals for recognition as every player contributed to the success of the team. However, mention must be made of Charlotte Pape who never ceased to look for goal-scoring opportunities and the

Captain, Kirsty Greaves, who not only demonstrated a high level of individual skill but was also the major tactician in the side.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> team, led by Ella Savage, managed to play 5 of their 7 matches. The highlights were a 1-0 victory over St Lawrence College and a confident 2-0 win against King's, Rochester. Goalkeeper Emma Marsh is going from strength to strength and kept hopes alive in many of the games with some impressive saves. It is worth mentioning that two of the games that were lost were against other schools' 1<sup>st</sup> teams and this puts their results into perspective.

With several U15 games cancelled through poor weather, this season has been a frustrating one for a side who have made huge improvements in both their technical ability and understanding of the game. Harriet Jackson led the team well with excellent support from all the girls but with particular mention to Ellie Borlase in goal and Estelle Papougnot and Izzy Drake in the midfield and up front respectively. The results of 4 wins and 2 losses included thumping victories against St Edmunds Canterbury 7 - 2 and Kings Rochester 4 -1. Overall an excellent developmental season, well done!

The U14 and U13 teams were the most badly hit by cancellations and their seasons were disappointingly short. Both teams achieved third position in the first round of their respective County Tournaments and despite not progressing through to the knock-out stage they performed well and relished the opportunity to play schools they would not normally meet. The highlight for the U14's was their 5-0 win over Duke of York's and in this match they demonstrated some good skills and positive attacking play.

The U12 team have made a great start to their hockey careers at Manwood's with some very impressive victories against strong opposition. Their first game of the season was started in style with a 6-0 victory over Clarendon. Their toughest match was against Kent College in which 2 mini games were played. With only one goalie, Georgia Pomeroy, to share between them both squads fought hard securing a 1-1 draw and a narrow loss. The final match of the season, in freezing conditions, saw perseverance from the team and a well-deserved 3-0 win. Congratulations to all the players, most notably captain Lydia Elliott and goal scorers Katie Williams, Poppy Collins, Jemma Veness and Olivia Simms.

## **28. Boys Sport**

### **Football**

The Dover District League was re-structured this year in an attempt to ensure all league fixtures were completed. It meant playing more than one school on the same night in shorter matches but the level of competition produced ensured an exciting league season. The Kent Cup provided full length matches and tough opposition for our teams.

#### **U12**

The U12's had a fantastic start to the season, conceding just 2 goals in their first six games. The only match spoiling a 100% record was the highly competitive 0-0 draw against Dover Grammar which suggested that the league would be a very closely fought affair. A heavy defeat in the 2<sup>nd</sup> round of the Kent Cup allowed the team to concentrate on trying to win the league title on the final day of the league season. Wins in the two remaining games would have clinched the title but, despite a 5-0 win against Dover Christ Church Academy, we lost 1-2 to Castle Community on their all weather surface to finish the season as league runners-up. Overall, the

boys can be very pleased with their season and can look forward to greater success next season. The record for the season was played 9, won 6, drawn 1 and lost 2, scoring 25 goals and conceding 10.

### U13

Despite an early cup exit against Dane Court, the U13's had an excellent league season. They won all of their games, scoring 35 goals on the way to winning the league title after a 5-2 win against Walmer on the last day of the season.

### U14

The U14's won 2 and drew 1 of their 6 games. Highlights were the 7-3 Kent Cup victory against King Ethelbert's and a 2-1 league victory against Castle Community.

### U16

The U16's experienced highs and lows during the season. Despite winning just 1 of their 6 games during the regular season, the squad bounced back to win the Dover District 7-a-side tournament at the Danes in November.

Special mention must be made of the staff who gave freely of their time for lunchtime practices and after school matches, without whom football just wouldn't be possible at Manwood's. A huge thank you to Mr Riordan, Mr Grimshaw, Mr Van Poppel and Mr Davidson.

## **Rugby**

The U12's began their season with the traditional A and B fixture against Chatham House after half term. This was always going to be a tough test as Chatham House had already played four matches and could call on their experience. Both teams lost but the A team were very unlucky to lose a very exciting match. The scores were level when we had a try disallowed in the final moments before CHS went straight up the other end to score under the posts. Despite the 10-17 loss, Mr Riordan was very excited by the performance the boys produced. The team went on to win all of their remaining games with victories against Sutton Valence (22-0), Kent College (34-5) and King's Rochester (19-0) before the season was brought to an abrupt end by the weather. The team will gain more experience in the Spring term as more fixtures have been arranged.

The U13's followed up their first year at the school with another frustrating season. The potential of the side is there for all to see and at times we played some exciting attacking rugby, highlighted by the fact that we scored at least two tries in every game played. However, our inability to concentrate for long periods cost us and we managed just one win in the 5 games played (33-17 against Kent College) before the weather, once again, ended our season prematurely.

Both the weather and an early exit in the Kent Trophy meant a short season of just four games for the U14's. A 34-12 victory against Kent College was the highlight of a frustrating season where our inability to tackle effectively cost us many of the points we conceded. However, some of our attacking rugby was outstanding and the display of Ed Spencer at centre is worthy of special mention.

It is hard to understand how the U15 squad managed such a disappointing season. Anybody who saw the first game of the season against Duke of York's in the Daily Mail Cup witnessed an exciting game of rugby which was hard fought by both teams. The quality was very high in both attack and defence and the season appeared very promising despite a 10-15 loss. A 53-0 victory in the next game against Oakwood Park suggested the team were going to excel. Unfortunately this was the only victory in a season blighted by injuries and a lack of confidence when faced with adversity. However, a large number of the squad can look forward to making telling contributions in the senior squad next season. Ben Ebden was particularly outstanding in every game played and is worthy of special mention as was Stuart Ewen whose tackling was exceptional.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> XV lost all 5 of their matches this season but got better with each game played. The standard of opposition was very high as we played teams who play most Saturdays and who had more experience to draw on than we did. Nonetheless, there were many encouraging signs and a great deal of talent to be excited about for the future. The most exciting game of the season was against St. Lawrence College where both teams led at various points before we lost late on by 22-24. Hopefully, those who were committed all season will be joined by those who didn't train very often as with more commitment from some individuals, our chances of success will be greatly enhanced.

The 1<sup>st</sup> XV worked very hard this season and produced some excellent performances, often without getting the results we deserved. The commitment to training and a willingness to learn and improve from the vast majority of players made a huge difference compared to previous seasons and we improved quickly – particularly the forwards where we had a large number of players to choose from. The Daily Mail competition summed up the bad luck we experienced for the majority of the season. Against Duke of York's in the cup we led for the entire game and even held a 19-5 lead at one point. A try in the last two minutes cost us victory by just two points, a bitter pill to swallow. In the Vase, a long trip to Bethany saw a gripping encounter which we dominated for long periods without demonstrating that killer instinct which was needed to put points on the board. Despite an outstanding try with just minutes to go, Bethany managed to post 3 points at the other end to, once again, pip us by 2 points, dumping us out of the Daily Mail after just two games.

The rest of the season ebbed and flowed. We played badly against Simon Langton (losing 12-41) and St. Lawrence (winning 7-5) but produced good displays against Maidstone Grammar (losing 17-27) and Norton Knatchbull (winning 52-3). Team selection was difficult due to impact on studies and this cost us against Kent College (losing 10-18) but gave other players opportunity against Howard (winning 28-5).

A league was set up for the first time this season which ensured greater competition against strong opposition. The highlight of the season was in one of the league games against Duke of York's where we were looking to avenge the 2 point loss at the beginning of the season. A tough, uncompromising performance ensured a 17-5 victory, our first against Duke of York's in over 15 years as a school and a victory which ensured we finished fourth in the league.

Despite just four wins in ten games, the team finished with a plus points difference. Essentially, when we were winning, we were winning well. When we lost, it tended to be by the narrowest of margins. The Year 13 leavers had experience and talent in equal measure. Afolabi Tayo, Tom Newman, Jordan Clague, Freddy Atherden, Jamie Walker and Tyrone Moore gave physicality and quality in the pack whilst Jack Payne, Adam Perry, Adegoke Adebayo, Lolu Onabolu and

captain Adam Asher gave us blistering pace and power in the backs. We wish them well for the future and hope they continue to play rugby.

Special thanks go to Mr Pearce, Mr Riordan, Mr Davidson and, in particular Miss Carnt, for their commitment and help in delivering our fixtures this season.

## **29. Other Sporting Achievements**

Alex Clay (Year 10), following a series of qualifying competitions, has been successful in reaching the semi-finals of the British Schools' Modern Biathlon Championships to be held at the Crystal Palace National Sports Centre in February 2011.

Playwell Gold Academy runs a golf coaching session after school every Monday and students from across all age ranges attend. Michael Jones (Year 12) has worked particularly hard on all aspects of his golf and made excellent progress and as a result the Academy has awarded him one year's free membership at St Augustine's Golf Club.

The Under 15 Table Tennis Team finished joint first in the East Kent Tournament and thereby have qualified for the Kent Championships. Anson and Kenneth Tsui (Year 7) have proved to be very valuable additions to the team this year.

Richard (now studying PPE at Hertford College, Oxford University), Christopher (Year 12) and Mark Thomas (Year 10) made it a family affair when they represented Manwood's at the Kent Schools Sailing Championships in early September. 40 boats competed and the competition was strong, particularly from Kings School that had been champions for the previous two years. It was therefore a great day's sailing when Chris and Mark managed 2<sup>nd</sup> position overall, with Richard coming 3<sup>rd</sup>, and together gaining the Winners' Shield for Manwood's.

Lily Summers (Year 13) represented Kent in the Under 17 Girls Cricket National Finals in September. The opposition was a strong Sussex side. Lily contributed to the highest scoring partnership in the Kent innings as well as taking the last Sussex wicket by a run out, thereby playing an important role in Kent's victory. The U15 and U13 Kent sides also won their national finals and Manwood's pupils were represented in both teams. Girls' cricket at Manwood's continues to be a force to be reckoned with.

Jason Bennett (Year 9) coxes for the Deal Rowing Club and following the programme of summer regattas won the Cox of the Year Award for the South East Coast.

Katy Morris (Year 13) continues to excel in gymnastics. She recently competed in the National Finals representing the South East in a Grade 4 Women's Trio, coming 4<sup>th</sup> and in the Elite 2 Tumbling, coming 6<sup>th</sup>. Due to this success she won the County award for Gymnast of the Year. To achieve this level of performance Katy puts in nine hours of training each week. In addition, as a qualified coach, she coaches other gymnasts, both outside school and at Manwood's. A tremendous achievement.

### 30. Autumn Term 2010 House Results Summary

This term has been a very busy one with many competitions organised:

#### Girls Hockey

1 <sup>st</sup>	Knolles	=	220 points
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Dorman	=	185 points
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Tudor	=	160 points
4 <sup>th</sup>	Trappes	=	135 points

#### Boys Badminton

1 <sup>st</sup>	Tudor	=	195 points
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Dorman	=	180 points
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Knolles	=	165 points
4 <sup>th</sup>	Trappes	=	75 points

#### Boys Rugby

1 <sup>st</sup>	Tudor	=	210 points
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Dorman	=	155 points
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Knolles	=	150 points
4 <sup>th</sup>	Trappes	=	105 points

#### Boys Cross-country

1 <sup>st</sup>	Knolles	=	120 points
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Dorman	=	90 points
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Tudor	=	85 points
4 <sup>th</sup>	Trappes	=	80 points

#### Manwoodian Competition

1 <sup>st</sup>	Dorman	=	240 points
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Knolles	=	95 points
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Trappes	=	85 points
4 <sup>th</sup>	Tudor	=	40 points

#### Environment Competition

1 <sup>st</sup>	Trappes	=	70 points
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Tudor	=	60 points
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Knolles	=	50 points
4 <sup>th</sup>	Dorman	=	0 points

#### Merits

1 <sup>st</sup>	Dorman	=	300 points
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Tudor	=	200 points

3 <sup>rd</sup>	Trappes	=	100 points
4 <sup>th</sup>	Knolles	=	50 points

### **Overall Results**

1 <sup>st</sup>	Dorman	=	1240 points
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Tudor	=	1170 points
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Knolles	=	1060 points
4 <sup>th</sup>	Trappes	=	720 points

**I am very conscious of the increasing length of these termly newsletters, but it is a testimony to the richness and variety of life at Manwood's. Even so I must also make an apology for those many worthy activities not given a mention, for this is not an exhaustive account.**

**I would like to take this opportunity to thank everybody for their hard work over the term and wish everyone a very happy Christmas and New Year.**

**Yours sincerely**

**Chris Morgan  
Headteacher**