

THE HOLY TRINITY CHURCH OF ENGLAND SECONDARY SCHOOL JULY 2010 NEWSLETTER



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FROM MR. WICKERT'S DESK: Despite England's dismal performance in the world cup I am pleased to report that the session we screened in the hall when England played Slovenia raised £93 for Sierra Leone. This in itself was a worthwhile thing to shorten the school day for and the money will go to a very good cause at the Bishop Johnson Memorial School in Freetown. I must admit the atmosphere was tense as England scraped through – although not as quite as miserable as our attempt against Germany on Sunday...

Whilst mentioning Germany it was a great privilege to attend the joint concert of the school orchestra and the Rhade Youth Band from Dorsten on Friday 25th. Despite the hall being sweltering in the heat our students played magnificently and I was so proud of what we were able to produce in the music of this school. Equally we played basketball against the German school on Saturday – unfortunately losing by a small amount – but a great game.

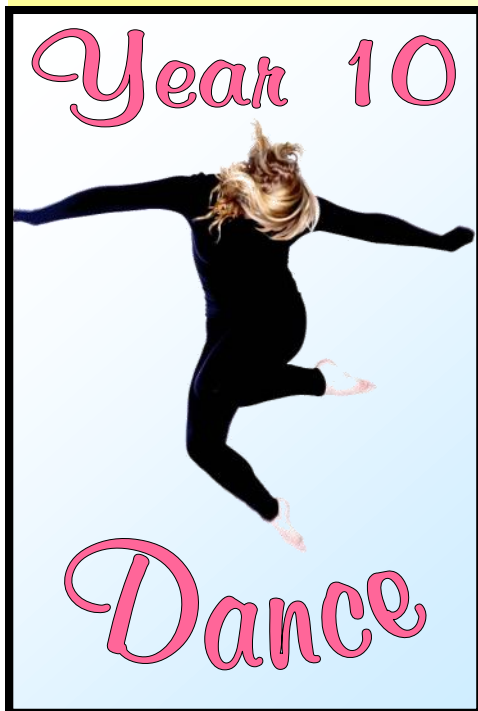
Many thanks to all of the staff and students involved in these great events.

Live as free men, yet without using your freedom as a pretext for evil; but live as servants of God.

1 Peter 2:16

Diary Dates

Fri	2 Jul	Summer BBQ & Trivia evening
Sat	3 Jul	Yr 11 Prom
Sun	4 Jul	Chateau & Rhine Valley trips
Mon	5 Jul	Enrichment Week
Thu	8 Jul	Summer Concert at Hawth
Fri	9 Jul	Model U.N.
Thu	22 Jul	End of term for pupils



Year 10 dance photos

The Dance department had a professional photographer, Barry Holder in recently to take photos of the Year 10 GCSE dance group. For a very cheap price of £6 all the students received head shots and action shots which are worth about £60 each, an excellent saving. So these photos can be used for their future dance portfolio which could mean the difference in getting a place at prestigious dance schools and sixth forms.

We are blowing up selected photos to A0 (think a normal A4 sheet multiplied by 8 times its size) and displaying them in the dance studio, and this is to inspire future dancers at Holy Trinity. The gorgeous displays should be up by September. We are expecting this

event to be a year on year experience where everyone who does GCSE dance leaves with a professional looking portfolio and inspiring future generations to come.

Mr. J Healey

Dance workshop

Also in the news we are having a professional dance workshop on Friday the 9th of July during enrichment week. This outstanding company "Motionhouse" is ground breaking artists who use fantastic lifts and throws with energetic dance moves in all their work. Year 9's and 10's are invited to join in on that day, but you must have returned a letter from Mr. Healey before enrichment week begins. Places are limited, and going fast.

SCHOOL FENCE



The back fence has now been completed.

The back gate to Bewbush Drive is locked at 16:15. for security reasons:

The gate is opened with the school gates at 6am

The gate is locked at 9.15am

The gate is opened at 3.15pm

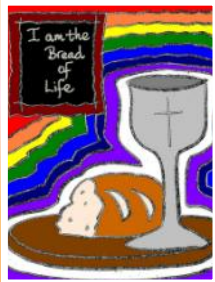
The gate is locked at 4.15pm

These times are throughout the year and are not adjusted for exams. Students arriving / leaving for exams need to use the front gates. All of these arrangements are for security purposes.

Please note that any person leaving school after this time will have to leave by the front gate at Woburn Road.



The majority of our parents are now registered with ParentMail and are receiving this newsletter that way. If not, have you considered registering? Many parents find it a far more reliable and sustainable way of receiving communication and we would encourage all parents, where possible, to receive communication in this way. Please contact us with your e-mail address, the name of your child/children and their tutor group at Office@holyltrinity.w-sussex.sch.uk



Christianity is alive in the school! PRAYER MEETINGS

Parents are welcome to come and pray for the school on at monthly meetings
Please telephone 01403 263504 or the school office for further details.

Jesus says, "I am the way and the truth and the life.
No one comes to the Father except through me" *John 14:6.*



PUPIL ABSENCE TELEPHONE LINE

01293 652971

Please note that all telephone calls regarding the absence of students should be reported on **01293 652971** which is a dedicated message line for absence. On the first day of absence, please telephone the school on this 24 hour number.

The school does operate a system of 'First Day Calling' and you will be contacted if your child does not appear to be in school. Therefore it is extremely important that if your child arrives late to school that they sign the late book by the Pupil Services Office. If you know in advance that your child will be late in due to a medical appointment please let Mrs. Hitchcock know as this will avoid unnecessary telephone calls.

To Do List From God

I ran my life in search of worldly things;
My time and will were firmly in control.
I thought I had no need for what God brings;
I gave no heed to murmurs from my soul.

"You're planning, doing all the time," it said,
"But something else is missing deep inside.
Your mind is whirling, but your heart is dead,
So turn to God and let go of your pride."

I did, and God said, "Here's My plan for you:
Give your life to Me, and just let go.
Have faith and pray, and read the Bible through,
And you'll have blessings more than you can know."

So simple, yet it brings me perfect peace,
Living life for God the way I should.
Direction, purpose, fullness and release—
Life with God is very, very good.

by Joanna Fuchs
www.poemsource.com



Summer Concert

July 8th 7:30 at the Hawth Theatre.

Tickets £6 and £3 (concessions)

Available from the Hawth Box office



Don't miss out!!

On Monday 21st, Katie Oldham, Harriet Reilly and Aimie Croft travelled to Oxford to visit one of the colleges and find out what it's like to study English there. Brasenose College, David Cameron's former college, is the top university choice for English in the country and they only take the best students. Katie, Harriet and Aimie took part in a tutorial with one of the professors, went on a tour of the college and hung out with undergraduates to find out what life would be like as a student at Oxford.

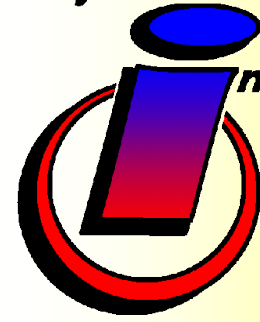
Oxford



All three enjoyed the day immensely and although they found Oxford to be a little daunting at first, by the end of the day they were really glad they'd made the effort and found it to be a worthwhile experience.

If there are any students (yr10 or above) who are thinking of Oxford or Cambridge then they should get in touch with either Mr. Foley or their tutor to discuss their aspirations further.

Library & Learning Resources



The Information Centre

Dust sheets needed

We are expecting some maintenance work to be done in the LRC during the summer holidays. If you have any old sheets that could be used to protect the books from dust we would be very grateful to receive them.

Scholastic C2C Book Club

The last C2C book club leaflet of the school year has been circulated. Orders should be returned with payment by 9 July 2010 for delivery by end of term.

Thank you for everyone who has supported the club. This year we have been able to choose £82 of free books.



Bastable Babes

It was a balmy evening in Crawley on Wednesday 23rd June when 8 female staff set out on a 5K trek through the Tilgate Park. What motivated us was the knowledge that we were doing this in memory of our good friend and much missed colleague Roger Bastable, whilst raising money for Cancer Research as part of the Raceforlife event.

We were in high spirits as we cheered on our very own Paula Radcliffe, maths teacher Mrs Nicolson who sped off to complete the event in a superfast 22 minutes (and win the group 30 sponsorship money from Mr Healey – thank you!). She then headed back to re-join the group (which meant she actually did about 10K) so we could all cross the line together. As we headed through the woods a number of pupils both past and present were spotted and there was a really positive atmosphere. It was also an emotional evening seeing all the dedications of the participants but I am pleased to report we all

finished and weren't aching too much by the end. It was a great experience and we managed to raise over £500 for the charity. If anyone would still like to donate retrospectively the web address is www.raceforlifesponsorsome.org/bastablesbabes

The 'Babes' were:

Miss Beaman, Mrs Harmey, Miss Langendoen, Mrs Marsh, Mrs Maxwell, Miss McMenamin, Mrs Nicolson, Mrs Rose

Helen Beaman





Schützen Kapelle Rhade + Holy Trinity C E School

On Thursday, 24th June, a German concert band from Dorsten-Rhade came over to Crawley to stay with our school orchestra. Each of us hosted one or two members of the band. Many of us don't speak German, so there was a lot of standing around looking embarrassed! However all of them spoke very good English so we were okay.

On the Friday, we rehearsed together in the afternoon, and later we performed in a joint concert. By then we were having perfectly normal conversations with them, and there were lots of pictures taken of us and them playing. Saturday came and went while the Germans were visiting London. In the evening, there was a disco. Germans danced with English and vice versa.

They left early Sunday morning. It was a great experience for everyone, and I think we all learnt a bit of German!
by Maisie Page 7C2 and Arielle Johnson 7D2

INVESTOR IN CAREERS



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CAREERS

I am pleased to inform you that the Holy Trinity School is about to begin the Investors in Careers Award. After attending a recent careers conference I realised how many of the key criteria we already meet. I also feel that working towards this award will help to sharpen our focus on other areas. As part of the first stage it is required that as a school we formally share our

commitment to this process with our students and parents/guardians. Achieving the award takes on average approximately 4 terms and I will aim to keep you posted as to our progress but in the meantime if you have any questions, or suggestions, please feel free to contact me via email at hbeaman@wsgfl.org.uk. What follows is a summary of the award and the criteria that needs to be met in order to achieve the award. Helen Beaman, Head of REACH

Investor in Careers is an external quality assurance award structured around four key elements relating to the management of Careers Education and Guidance:

*Commitment
Organisation
Delivery
Evaluation*

There are 3 stages to achieving the full award covering 9 outcomes in total (a list of these outcomes is included at the end of this article). Each outcome is broken down into a series of performance indicators. Schools have to provide evidence that they meet each of these performance indicators. An independent, external assessor will visit each school/college working towards the Award twice. The first visit, sometimes referred to as 'the interim assessment' is for a half day and the final assessment is a full day visit. During these visits the assessor will talk to various people within the school/college. This will include the headteacher, careers coordinator and students and may also include tutors, governors and the careers adviser. When the assessor is satisfied that the standard has been met s/he recommends that the school/college go before the Investor in Careers Panel. There are usually 5/6 people on the panel which

may include the local Connexions Partnership Chief Executive, Chair of the Connexions Partnership Board, LSC representatives, employers, Headteacher or Local Authority representative.

A presentation team including a student, a member of senior management and the careers/personal adviser goes to the panel session and completes a 15 minute presentation of their careers programme or an aspect of it. If the panel agrees that the school/college have reached the standard for Investor in Careers they will recommend that the Award is made. The Award, which lasts 3 years, is then presented at a ceremony at a later date.

Outcomes

Stage 1

- School demonstrates a commitment to Careers education, information, advice and guidance (CEIAG).

Stage 2

- School has a current CEIAG policy which is consistent with statutory guidance and relevant national frameworks
- CEIAG is delivered to all students
- CEIAG is enhanced by the work related and enterprise curriculum through practical involvement of employers, training and Further Education providers
- School has a written partnership agreement with local Connexions service.

Stage 3

- The school monitors and records students' achievements and progress, working with partners, Connexions, parents and carers to ensure that all students make informed choices and effective transitions
- Staff involved with CEIAG are appropriately trained
- Labour market and destination information is incorporated into the CEIAG programme
- CEIAG programme is systematically monitored, reviewed and evaluated to ensure that it is delivered effectively meeting the needs of all students