



Prendergast Hilly Fields College Newsletter



December 2011



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The Headteacher writes

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to your news letter which I hope you enjoy reading. I am going to start with reminders – please do not drive any student to the top of the hill at the top site. It is dangerous and there is not enough space. The standard of uniform is generally very good; please remember that all girls in years

7-11 need a plain navy or black coat and that skirts should be at an appropriate length. Uniform details are in the student diary on pages 5/6.

As always it has been a busy term with a huge range of activities. We started off the term with extremely well attended open evenings for primary parents

with our year 7s eagerly showing visitors around. This was followed by our prizegiving which was a lovely occasion where we were able to celebrate our excellent public exam results as well as recognising a wide range of achievements.

This year the Master of the Leathersellers' attended which was a great honour for us. Our support from The Leathersellers' takes many forms from governance, financial support to mentoring of our students before university and is of huge importance.

New members of staff this academic year are: Ms Bentley who teaches part-time PE, Mr Denny, whose daughters went to the school, who has joined our premises team, Ms Jourzac who is teaching ICT and Maths, Ms Mash has joined the Maths department, Ms Riley teaches part time in the Technology Department, Ms Roye is our new examinations officer, Mr Surey is the Executive Bursar for the Federation and Ms White is a new addition to our teaching assistants. We welcome all new members of staff and hope that they will be happy with us.





Around Prendergast Hilly Fields College

Every 8 years we have a whole school photo – it was an amazing experience for us all as you will see from the middle pages of our news letter. I was very proud of the sensible behaviour of the entire school and the resulting photo is very impressive. If you did not order one there is another opportunity – please ask your child to see my p.a. Mrs Wijngaard who has organised this.

You may have heard that there is no longer a Connexions careers service in Lewisham. Therefore students unsure about what career they are interested in and what to do at the next stage of their education may now access the Government free phone number or web site – please see the Careers article in this news letter. This of course is supported by the wide range of work that we do in school.

We have had lots of day trips out plus a residential year 8 and A level Geography trip this term. We have a year 7 trip next term and are very excited about our brand new week long year 9 trip to France. I would urge you to prioritise these trips even in these difficult financial times. There is a clear impact on academic success through attending them.

As I write this I am looking forward to our Christmas music service next week and of course the entertainment the year 11s will put on for us all to enjoy. The arrangements for the last day are in the end of term letter you have received; please make sure you go through it with your daughter/son/ward

All that remains for me to say is that I wish you much peace and happiness over the festive season and a very happy 2012.

Sue Roberts
Headteacher

Time capsule

The editor along with a number of students and staff were on hand to see Mr Andrew Holmes (School Governor) and Ms Roberts place the time capsule into the foundations of the new build on Adelaide Avenue.

The students were thrilled to be part of such an important, landmark event in the school's history.

The capsule contained - photographs of the students, copies of the Newsletter, a copy of the school history, school uniform, programme of study and a DVD of a day in the life of the school made by students in last years Y8.

David Crawford - Editor



PHFC MRO

Jack Petchey Award

The Autumn term's Jack Petchey winners are:

Leanna Dixon of Year 10, nominated by the PE Department for her work with the Cheerleading Club. Leanna chose to split her £200 grant between the PE department and the Art department.

Hawa Mohammed Ali of Year 9, nominated by the school's leadership team as an exceptionally responsible

and supportive member of the school community. Hawa too has split her grant between the Art department and also to PHSE for interactive resources for tutorials.

Alexa Rossi in Year 11 was nominated by Mrs Conway for her organisational skills to co-ordinate the yearbook committee. The grant will be added to the other money raised for the yearbook to make it more affordable for all Year 11 students.



Leanna Dixon



Hawa Mohammed Ali



Alexa Rossi

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Careers - Next Step

Careers Information and Advice – NEW website and free phone number.

Young people were asked about the key influence on their careers for the future.

Three of the four most powerful influences were:

- Parents, mentioned by 65.3% of young people;
- Friends by 59.9%;
- Classroom teachers by 58.2%.

To aid parent-led careers information and advice, the Government has launched a new **website and free phone number offering impartial careers guidance:**

www.direct.gov.uk/nextstep

0800 100 900



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www.nat.org.uk

World Aids Day

World Aids Day was on 1 December. Red ribbons were sold in order to collect money for NAT (National Aids Trust).

The day was a great success and thank you to all the girls who helped collect donations. It was great to see so many staff and students wearing the red ribbon. We collected £60.

Mr Hardie-Law

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PHFC MFO

Georgia Davies 9P, Amina Jibunch 7P, Akanska Panthri 7R, Francis Harding 10R, Shakera Yasmin 7E, Kayann Barnes 7E, Gileeza Annan 7N and Mrs R Bolt (Librarian)

European day of Languages

On 26 September, the college celebrated the European Day of languages. The college came alive with the colours of the traditional dress and multi coloured flags of the world.

A huge thank you to all those who took part and made the day such a wonderful celebration.



Mr Hardie-Law

Good Work Book

Congratulations to the following students who have been nominated for the Good Work Book:

Alice Troy-Donovan of Year 12 and **Ella Fothergill** of Year 9 for

English essays (Alice has written the report of the year 12 visit to Westminster on page 8). **Ruby Gaffney** of Year 8 for her wonderful ICT poster (below).

Ms S Roberts



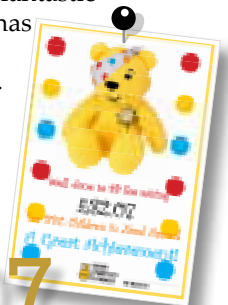
8P Cake sale for Children in Need

Well done to all my form group for organising and selling cakes at two cake sales. We raised the fantastic amount of £82.07 which has been sent on to the BBC Children in Need appeal.

Mr J Roussel, 8P

we raised

£82.07





Healthy Schools Week

Healthy Schools week 17-21 October. During this week students took part in a wide range of activities from Zumba, Free running and making smoothies to sporting activities. The aim of this week was to equip every student with the skills and knowledge to make informed health and life choices to reach their maximum potential. A number of outside specialists were brought in to teach Zumba and Freerunning etc. **Ms Mottershead, PE**



Wakey shakey with Mrs R Bolt (Librarian)



Zumba



Cool Smoothies



Free running (Parkour)

Book Week 2011

Another cracking Book Week this year. We again invited Gez Walsh and Neil Zetter to perform and run workshops for years 7 and 9 (year 8 out all week on a school trip).

We also had the Scholastic Book Fair in which over £200 worth of books were sold, earning the library around 30% off new books from the Scholastic catalogue.

Also as part of Book Week, year 7 are taking part in 'Readathon' who support two childrens charities: The Roald Dahl charity who help seriously ill and disabled children and the CLIC Sargent charity who provide vital support to children and young people with cancer. For more information about Readathon go to:

www.readathon.org.

So far the girls have raised over £300 and are still getting sponsors. Thank you to all who have supported

them. There will be a prize for the class and the individual who raise the most.

Finally, we have a bookmark competition. Girls are designing a bookmark in the hope of becoming 'Bookmark Designer of the Year'. The winning bookmark will be mounted, laminated and given out to all who need one.

Mrs R Bolt
Librarian



Some of the designs entered into the competition

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Primary School Head's tea Party



All year 7 classes prepared a fantastic assortment of savouries, small cakes, biscuits and speciality cakes for their 'special guests'. It was lovely to see the Hall full of proud pupils having lovely conversations about their start at Prendergast. They

thoroughly enjoyed showing their visitors around the school, looking at their work and sharing stories. Well done year 7 for all your hard work at this event and for making such a positive start at school.

Ms P Moore



Club News



Gardening Club Nurse Durman

Our growing season has now finished and we had some successes and failures. We all enjoyed ourselves seeing our plants grow and eating our successes. The beetroot were planted too close together but grew well but ended up extremely small. Our courgette plant and strawberries went mad and were very tasty as were the tomatoes. We have put the pepper plants and aubergine plants into our new plastic greenhouse to see if they will survive the winter - although it was found in the car park last week in the high winds and planted some red onions to over winter. The geraniums have all been brought inside as well. We need to decide what to grow for next year and in the spring time will start planting the seeds. Thank you to everyone who attends and for the Morrison tokens which we have used to buy 2 kneelers. ps. Niamh Dennard (right) who has moved to Ireland with her family is settling in and sends her love to everyone.



Homework Club

Homework club meets every day after school in the library and it is a fantastic opportunity to get your homework done before you head home. There are staff on hand to help if you get stuck as well.

Ms P Moore



A thousand smiles...

Daisy Hatton 12P

Fet together on the red mark!' are words that will be familiar to us all after the whole school photograph, which took place earlier this term. Featuring everyone from Year Seven to Year Thirteen, from teachers to technicians, the whole school photo was a rare chance for the entire college to come together and celebrate a group of people that will never be the same again. *'I really loved the spirit of community,'* said Mabel, 12G.

The process was long, especially for those of us in the Upper School, who stood on the stands for over an hour and entertained ourselves with multiple Mexican waves, cheering our favourite teachers and playing spot the smallest Year Seven.

Of course, for the new Year Sevens who had just stepped through the door, this will definitely be something that they will remember from their first weeks at Prendergast. Taking to the stands amidst choruses of *'Look how cute they are!'*, they were presented with the daunting view of the rest of the school staring down at them. *'When we came out all the big kids went 'Ahhh' and I looked up and there were millions of them!'* said Phoebe, 7P.

Despite having to coordinate hair not blowing in the wind, top buttons being done up and the sun not shining in our eyes, the right photo was eventually taken. This year's photograph, the biggest yet, will join the others that have been taken every seven years since this tradition began.

A day that none of us, be we student or staff, will ever forget. Miriam S, 12E, summed up the day for all of us when she said, *'It'll be nice to look back at in years to come... but I wish I had my eyes open!'*



Let's practice smiling :-)



Well done to the first 9 Sixth Form students who stood at the top for over an hour



Mr Knight and his Sixth Form, all loaded up and ready to go.



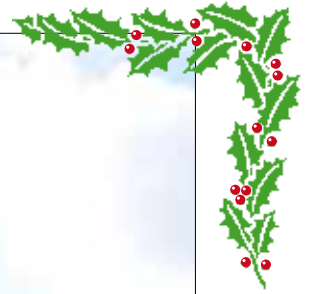
Who's that turning up late...



One by one...



Ms Roberts taking time out with Y7s



Last of the Year 7s take their places....awwwwww... they're so cute...



Only a few minutes to go



Cool customer...



It's all over... a salute from Mr Cox keeps the troops in order

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A trip to the centre of power

by Alice Troy-Donovan 12P



The only way I can accurately describe our tour of The Houses of Parliament is to compare it to being taken on a historical voyage: we were guided, open-mouthed, from the 1000 year old Westminster Hall to the foot of a recent (bronze, not iron) statue of Margret Thatcher, through centuries of rule, revolt and patriotism. After a thoroughly autumnal London morning, we were relieved to be led into the modern Portcullis House, briefly passed through a surprisingly relaxed security, and underground into the stunningly Gothic building of the Palace of Westminster.

I think we were all struck by how many immeasurably significant places we passed through within the space of a couple of hours – an unassuming stone fireplace, for instance, turned out to have been centre to a famous episode involving Winston Churchill. Apparently, not wanting to contradict the smoking ban in Parliament, the Prime Minister once used the fireplace as a vent for his cigar smoke, although of course he later transcended that particular tradition with his iconic and ubiquitous Cuban cigars. We were later led into the House of Commons Chamber, where four influential PMs made a square around us: Churchill, looking typically sombre, is sculpted frowning upon the rubble of what was the Chamber, after German bombings of Parliament in 1941.

Although overall we were all struck by the size of the Houses of Parliament – its huge scale, we agreed, hardly done justice to on our television screens – the House of Commons itself was surprising small. To think that innumerable debates of huge significance and famous speeches were delivered in a comparatively little space was certainly unexpected. However, the room held an intimate kind of atmosphere that one can imagine being perfect for scrutiny and debate between government and opposition. Nevertheless, it is hard to get away from the impression that each party appear to take the roles of bickering children, constantly projecting blame

onto their counterpart, while the speaker, a kind of Parliamentary Head Teacher, tries to settle the sniggering of back benchers and calm any overexcited Members.

We soon moved on to the House of Lords, where the décor was utterly stunning and noticeably more ostentatious than the plain wood of the House of Commons. Gold leaf on the ornate throne and its surrounding ornamentation contrasted with the deep red of the seating – again its cushiony appearance toyed with our temptation to bend our legs and sit back – to create a distinctly regal ambience. I think we felt ambivalent towards this spectacular House: on the one hand, its sheer beauty was overwhelming and we couldn't help but marvel at the immaculate detail, beautiful golden angels sitting either side of the monarch. However, it felt here as if we truly were travelling back hundreds of years; to a time when aristocracy ruled and unelected Lords were the decision-makers of Britain. It is an uncomfortable thought that this House, despite it not being the major decision-making body of Parliament, still has much political sway, and many of its Members gained their positions not through personal merit but heredity. It seems strange that, although in many ways we have improved the diversity of MPs – more, although not nearly enough, women, working-

class and non-white politicians are now part of Parliament – there is still this ancient, out-of-date House that recalls the old aristocratic days of the 18th century.

Our final destination was St Stephen's Hall, where we gazed at some towering Gothic style arches, stained glass windows and proud statues of old 18th century ministers – and, finally, a bench that we could sit on. This was an interesting space as it seemed to encapsulate the divide between power and protest; in fact, this struggle was tangible, symbolised in a missing part of one of the statues. A suffragette, we were told, chained herself to the statue in protest against a male-dominated political world; in the end it took three fully grown men to remove her and, a proof of her resilience, a chunk of marble stirrup followed.

Our trip to the Houses of Parliament was a fascinating opportunity for us to step through hundreds of years of history that has culminated in the Parliament of today. It not only opened our minds to the political past of Britain, but also to the workings of today's government. As we approach the voting age, I feel this experience has been an invaluable source of education for us to make an informed decision and perhaps even take an active role in today's politics – continuing that journey we started in the 1000 year old Westminster Hall.





2011 UK Senior Mathematical Challenge

Congratulations to all participants, especially those who won a certificate in the November event. The results show that, surprisingly, Year 12 out-performed Year 13 so it will be interesting to see what sort of results they produce next year when they will be a little wiser and a lot better mathematicians. Well done everyone, especially Rebecca for her "Best in School Award". The certificate winners were:

Silver

Y13 - Helena Kerman
Y12 - Rebecca Rumney (best in school)

Bronze

Y13 - Sarah Lawes & Jack Moroney
Y12 - Mohammed Alshamari;
Viet-Anh Le; Michael Thompson;
Daisy Hatton & Josh Antwi-Boasiako

Two of the easier questions that might entertain non-participants whilst relaxing after their Christmas dinners might be:

Which of the numbers below is not a whole number?

- A $(2011+0) \div 1$ B $(2011+1) \div 2$
C $(2011+2) \div 3$ D $(2011+3) \div 4$
E $(2011+4) \div 5$

Two sides of a triangle have lengths 4 cm and 5cm. The third side has length x cm, where x is a positive integer (a whole number bigger than zero).

How many different values can x have?

- A 4 B 5 C 6 D 7 E 8

Answers are to be found at the end of the Newsletter.

If you want to find out more about these competitions and perhaps get more practice in future then go to:
<http://www.mathcomp.leeds.ac.uk/individual-competitions/>

Philip Kitchingman



Engage with politics

On the 14th November, five Year 13 students participated in a brief interview for The Daily Politics Show (BBC2) which was to be broadcast later that day.

We were questioned by David Thompson on our thoughts and feelings about the recent rise in tuition fees and whether or not it had affected our decisions about whether to go on to higher education. However the main angle was to find out whether we, as students, felt that the government had disseminated clear information and if it was fully understood.

Everyone interviewed (myself Katie, Omari, Isabell, Ashley) planned to go to University but some had made plans to live at home and stay in London rather than on campus due to the high living costs on top of the already elevated fees.

Some interviewees felt that there had not been enough information about the changes from the government and wanted to see more televised information, as this medium would better expose young people to it.

By and large, it was valuable experience; we were able to get an insight into the workings of live television and convey our opinions

on a highly topical subject to a national audience.

Ella Dinsdale-Cooley

When asked if we wanted to be on a news programme to talk about something we are so passionate about, we did not have to think twice. Student tuition fees have been a hot topic of conversation since the new legislation was passed last year. As a result, having the opportunity to have our opinions televised was exciting to say the least.

An added bonus was the fact that we obtained first hand knowledge of how the media works behind the scenes. We had to do multiple takes, repeat ourselves, were filmed from different angles and had to do a little acting (nodding heads and moving our mouths) in order to get the information and shots required to get the information required and to make this package effective.

Overall, it was a brilliant experience that gave us a chance to meet a well known political journalist (David Thompson) and most importantly voice our opinions on the nation's institution – the BBC.

Thanks to Mr Knight and Miss Grant for selecting us. We have our one minute of fame! Literally!

Ashley Thomas





Black History month 2011

over
£300
raised

In October we celebrated our third Black History month event. After a break last year, we came back with a vengeance. It was pretty tough organising the whole event from about three weeks into the new school year, but judging from the incredibly talented pupils from all year groups and the amount of you who came to watch, I'm sure you will agree it was well worth the effort.

All of the performers worked so hard to make sure their contribution was up to scratch, ready to perform in front of an audience of family, friends and other school pupils. There were dancers, singers, poets, readers, actresses, instrumentalists and our year 12 rapper, Caldeen Benjamin, who absolutely rocked the place. I invited my Stepfather Mr. White, to do an interview on his life, moving to England from Jamaica in the late 1950's. He shared with us the difficulties faced finding accommodation and how his first pay packet for a weeks labour was just a few 'shillings'. He spoke of the experience shared by many of his age coming from the sunny shores of the Caribbean.

The evening also included African dancing from a company called Dudunkini who surprised and entertained with a live drummer and one of the most energetic dancers we've seen in a long time and they performed twice!

We were moved and inspired by our singers and our choir, led by Courtnei Ann Lawrence in year 11 also performed twice.

If you didn't manage to come to the celebration, here is what else you missed: Jamaican Maroons, Henrietta Lex, Buffalo Soldiers, Benjamin Zephaniah, Marcus Garvey, Rosa Parks, Maya Angelou, the history of Dominica, Nigeria, St. Lucia and Port Royal. We served Afro/Caribbean cuisine including jerk chicken, patties, rice and peas, fritters, dumplings, ackee and saltfish, hard dough bread and coleslaw that could be washed



down with Ginger Beer Ting, Jammin' or Fruit Punch.

We had a 'Know your History' quiz with two pairs of West End theatre tickets up for grabs. Congratulations to Elizabeth and Ashton who won.

"The Lion King is spectacular - enjoy!"

Finally, I would like to thank Cheyanne and Cherise, our hostesses for the evening. "You guys were outstanding on and off stage".

Ms O'Mahoney, Mrs McKlow and Miss Whorms. Mr Neilson, Mr Battles - ICT support.

Mr Crawford - MRO

The Catering Staff

The Runners- "You all did a professional job!"

Mr Cordes and Mr Acland - Premises and of course, the audience.

All the money raised from ticket sales (over £300) went to the ACLT (African Caribbean Leukaemia Trust).

Thanks again everyone, hope to see you all next time.

Mrs R Bolt

Librarian.

Lawrence Okoth-Odida

Head Boy

Interview by Alice Troy-Donovan 12P

I met up with Lawrence – currently in year 13 and studying Maths, Physics and Philosophy – for a chat about the ups and downs of a head boy's life, future plans, and his passion for manga...

Alice: Why do you think you were chosen as head boy?

Lawrence: I've been told by people that there's a certain way that I carry myself that has a sort of air of authority or professionalism. Even if people might not think that I'm the most charismatic person or they might find my personality abrasive, there's a certain stiffness to my character that makes people go "ok, then, he'd do well leading people". And I'm also the sort of person who's not afraid to do the little things. So I'm not going to say "oh, I just want to organise". I want to be part of things. And I'm used to helping people whichever level of organisation or planning or execution.

A: What would you say are your strengths?

L: Well, I'm not afraid to speak up if needs be. If someone says "can you say this in assembly?" I'm not going to turn them down because I'm confident in doing so. I'm easy for people to talk to. I'm not too "I'm always right all the time". I'm not a tyrannical dictator. I can change and be democratic.

A: And weaknesses?

L: I'm not a sporty person! And, I guess I don't have versatile talent. You wouldn't ask me to be in a talent show to sing or even to dance.

A: Why did you decide to put yourself forward for the position of head boy?

L: I was head boy at my old school. And in addition to the obvious thing that people always say – looks good on your reference – I did think that I could bring something to the role that might not have been there before. I'm good at getting people together and making them work – and I thought that I could make that happen.

A: What do you like most about your role?

L: There are too many things! One is that I enjoy helping people. And secondly, it might sound shallow to say popularity... but it's good to be able to see people around the school and they know you, they don't just brush you aside.

A: What would you say has been your greatest achievement?

L: The easiest one for me to say is GCSE grades – I got 14 A*s.

A: Have you found any particular person inspirational?

L: I would say Aaron McGruder. He's a black American comic strip artist. He's not afraid to use his characters to convey his message. He's not going to water himself down just to be popular.

A: What are your ambitions or dreams?

L: Recently I've been thinking about being a teacher. Before I wanted to do computer science. But I also like Philosophy, so if I could I'd want to maybe publish my views in a column or maybe even a series of books.

A: What makes you happy?

L: Comedy. I like listening to stand up comedians like Lee Evans, Lee Mack, Chris Rock. I can listen to that and it just makes me laugh and smile. In addition to that I like reading manga.

Sometimes it's the cliché or badness of the manga that makes me laugh.

A: What makes you angry?

L: Easily I think it's religious discussion where people blame religion for the problem – saying this wouldn't happen if religion didn't exist. It's not religion that's the problem but the application of it. You wouldn't say that just because people can use language to both

inspire and incite hatred that we should get rid of language.

A: How do you relax?

L: Reading manga, going outside, taking a walk.

A: What would you do if you won the lottery?

L: I've never been able to answer that question properly... I'd certainly like to give a portion of it to charity, but at the same time I would want to make it last. I would actually just keep it in the bank. I certainly wouldn't use it all at once.

Lawrence, thank you very much for your time.



Alice Troy-Donovan



Out & About

Slapton Sands

On Sunday 11th September the Y13 Geography students spent 5 days at Slapton Sands in SE Devon. On the first day of activities we woke up early to endure a six mile hike from Harbourn Head to Slapton shingle ridge stopping at points along the way to carry out bipolar evaluations and to discuss coastal management strategies. Along the way we passed the set where Johnny Depp was shooting his new film, unfortunately we did not get to see him .

We spent the next day in Plymouth investigating urban inequalities. We visited 3 wards at varying distances from the CBD (Central Business District) and examined variations in standards of living and quality of life.

Day four was spent getting wet and muddy investigating river variables on the River Harbourne. This involved measuring width, velocity, gradient and other variables, as well as assessing flood management at each river site.

On our final day we visited the beautiful Dartmoor National Park.



We investigated the management of tourism in the area as well as the conservation and protection of such a fragile environment. It was great fun climbing a Tor (a large granite boulder) and the view from the top was phenomenal.

The trip, however, was not all work. As well as being treated to a Devon Cream Tea, we had a fantastic time forming new friendships, shopping in Plymouth and writing poetry in a prehistoric settlement. We spent our

evenings, but watching, stargazing on the beach, lying in the moonlight and relishing the tranquillity... and when we were feeling a little more energetic, playing football and table tennis.

All in all, the trip was a great success. All who attended not only had an enjoyable week but also gained valuable knowledge and new experiences. We would all like to take this opportunity to thank Ms Boylan and Miss Hatch for organising this trip for us. **Nadine Williams 13G**

Design Museum

On Thursday 17th November 2011 the year 10 GCSE Product Design class went to the Design Museum. On the way to the museum we walked along the river and saw some street art and some interesting buildings, City Hall which we named 'the snail' and the Gherkin both designed by Sir Norman Foster. When we arrived at the museum we went into the Terance Conran exhibition. We had to pick an object that we liked to draw, we liked the small side table that he

designed in 1953. We thought the design was unique and different to the types of tables we normally see. We also visited the This is Design exhibition and played some old classic computer games. We also took part in a workshop where we got to look at, touch and draw lots of interesting products. Our drawings will soon be up in the Product Design room for you all to see. Overall it was a fun experience and we all had a good time as well as learning about design.

Ms Russell de Boer





Marchants Hill

Marchants Hill was a great experience. It was a challenging trip, but I loved it and I would definitely go again. I especially liked the trapeze and the giant swing. Also, the food was great! We had pizza for lunch. On the last night it was really fun with games to earn points to throw goo over everybody. **Jodie James 8R**

'I loved Marchants Hill, especially the big swing and the trapeze'.

When we got to the top of the big swing and we had to pull the rope, I didn't have a clue as to what was coming... then suddenly I was screaming and leaving my stomach behind me!

The trapeze was a 25 foot pole about 18 inches wide. We had to climb it, once at the top we had to jump down and try and kick a massive ball. I jumped, missed the ball but screamed a lot. 'I was still proud of myself because I was so scared'. **Sophie Radford 8R**





PE Department

Olympic Value Certificates

Each month pupils and staff nominate someone who has met a particular value. All nominees receive raffle tickets and the winning nomination for each month receive an Olympic Certificate. Well done to Agnesa Gashi 10P who received numerous nominations for all the values. Congratulations to Ms O'Mahoney who was nominated for being so inspirational to her students & Rukowwe Obar & Lea Zeka were nominated for showing great acts of kindness and friendship. Well done!

Young Gold Ambassadors

Congratulations to **Danni Nevers & Leanna Dixon** for being awarded with the great honour of becoming the Prendergast Hilly Fields College young Gold ambassadors. These girls were selected because of their outstanding commitment to extra-curricular activities and passion for sport. They will be working closely with me to promote physical activity to all pupils and will help to develop the Olympic and Paralympics values to the whole school.



Community Sports Leaders Award (CSLA)

We currently have 20 students undertaking the community sports leaders award in year 12 & 13. We have very strong links with local schools and were lucky enough to have year 6 pupils from Meadowgate school visit us to take part in some trampolining sessions.

Miss Burke



Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme starts in January

Next year we are starting the Bronze D of E course with 16 year 10 pupils. The Duke of Edinburgh scheme is a fantastic opportunity for the girls to get involved with their community whilst growing as individuals. All information will be released to the year 10's in January.

Miss Burke

Interform Football Latest Results

Won (1st)	2nd	3rd	4th
7N	7P	7R	7E
8N	8P	8R	8E
9P	9R	9E	9N

These points will carry over and will be counted towards the Dacre Cup, which will be presented in the summer term. Well done to you all.
Ms Mottershead

Lewisham Sports Award

Please vote for our school to achieve sporting secondary school of the year. With your help we can achieve!
<http://www.lewisham.gov.uk/myservices/sport/lewisham-sport-awards/Pages/default.aspx>



Motiv 8

Congratulations to the following girls for achieving a Bronze Motiv 8 Certificate for attending over 10 extra curricular clubs. This shows their commitment to clubs at school: Joceline Mpia 8N, Coumba Johnson 7N, Lucy Ruff 7N, Zoe Vaughan 7P, Jewel Campbell 7P, Yewa Animashawun 9P, Urszula Kalicinska 7N, Taidene

Valentine 7P, Romane Dogba 7P, Minnie Riddle-Hart 7N, Shanusha Sivakumar 7R, Milani Murali 9P, Hannah Rowland 8R, Oyinda Yemi Omowumi 8E, Danni Nevers 10P, Leah-Marie Pennie 10N, Courtney Simms 8N, Shannon O'Reilly 7N, Eleanor Walker 7P, Rochelle Reader 8N, Jessica Church 7R, Reanne Ellis 8R, Winnie Madey 8R, Gilezza

Annan 7N, Thia Dunkley 7R, Tosin Argogundade 11P & Mattie Armstrong 7P.

Congratulations to the following girls for achieving a Silver Motiv 8 Certificate for attending over 30 extra curricular clubs: Yewa Animashawun 9P, Courtney Simms 8P, Milani Murali 9P, Jewel Campbell 7P & Thenucha Sivakumar 8E.



Olympic Raffle Tickets

This year we have launched the Olympic value postcards in every subject. Pupils are awarded a postcard for meeting one of the 7 values, excellence, friendship, respect, courage, determination, equality & inspiration. When a pupil is given a postcard they get a raffle ticket to win one of the 120 Olympic tickets we have to offer. There are big prizes for pupils who collect all 7 values. Congratulations to the following pupils for receiving Olympic postcards:

Miss Burke

Excellence

Lucy Mickley 11R, Jamila Bangura 10R, Elizabeth Speller 10R, Marayam Iqbal 10P, Leanna Dixon 10P, Aizraelle 9R, Emily Jean 9R, Angel Ampadu 9P, Georgia Davis 9P, Shawahan Battles x 2 8N, Rochelle Reader 8P, Anna Kernan 8E, Charlotte Runnicles 8R, Reanne Ellis 8R, Beth 8P, Martha 8P, Cara Russell 7P, Anna Gallimoe 7E & Shadaryah Battles 7E.



Leanna Dixon

Equality

Miranda Teed 11N, Phoebe Neal, Rosemarie Jumeau 10P, Joy Anyanwn 10E, Hannah Rowland 8R, Kristal Bent 8R, Chennell Fennell 8R & Rachel Carmichael-Campbell 8N.

Friendship

Imogen Edwards 11R, Tayo 10E, Phoebe Neal 10N, Nicole Harrison 10P, Yewa Animashawun 9P, Siobhan Blake 9N, Emily 8E, Naushaba 8P, Chloe 8R, Cara Russell 7P, Jewel Campbell 7P, Phoebe Hatton 7P, Jessica Church 7R, Britney Skulling 7P, Gileeza Annan 7N, Sarah Burke 7P, Ianna Aleus 7E, Mahalia Gayle 7E & Tequeira Green-Frederick 7E.



Yewa Animashawun

Determination

Muyiwa Fajuyigbe 12N, Gunay Acar 11P, Imogen Edwards 11R, Milani Murali 9P, Lauren Thomson, Yvonne Q-P 11N, Moya Biggs 10P, Phoebe Neal 10N, Elizabeth Speller 10R, Okiki Oleyede 9R, Maria Aldea 9P, Shani 9R, Gavra Nmwadi 9R, Joceline Mpia 8N, Sonnah Smoi 8N, Ceyda ulus 8P, Jessie Sbresni 8N, Tieney Githans 8N, Safia Riat 7R, Eleanor Le Comber 7P, Vithya Kugathgan 7P, Mahalia Gayle 7E & Tequeira Green-Frederick 7E.



Jessie Sbresni



Imogen Edwards

Respect

Esther Block 13, Ellen Hayward 12, Luka Seddon 12, Will Brown 12, Millie Reynolds 12, Moya Biggs 10P & Tayo 10E.

Courage

Selin Salin 10R, Farhana Uddin 9P, Ruby 8P, Cara Russell 7P, Olivia Jackson 7P, Kajol Kaur 7P, Ruby Gallagher 7N, Dolly Nightingale 7N, Bisola Olufade 7R & Katarina McCann.

Inspiration

Okiki Oleyede 9R, Montana Mitchell 8N & Rachel Carmichael-Campbell 8N.





Winter Fair

Ms Morrison



Once again the Winter Fair was a great success. It was very well attended with a wide variety of stalls and activities. The students threw themselves into the task of organising and manning their stalls with great enthusiasm.

I would like to thank all the girls who came to the craft morning to make cards and salt dough decorations which proved very popular on the day. I would also like to thank Luise Roberts who kindly donated a number of knitted items for sale on the craft stall.

In all £1221 was raised by the fair much of which will come back to Prendergast Hilly Fields College.



Second hand school uniform



We would be grateful for any good second hand uniforms, especially skirts. They can be delivered to the pupil reception.

Catering

All cheques should be made out to Wilson Jones Catering and can be posted in the box outside the kitchen door.

Answers

Maths Challenge: D & E

Editor's corner

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