

## The countdown begins

We are now counting down fast to the main examination season. Year 7 students have been taking exams this week and Year 9 students have their SATs next week with Maths on Tuesday and Wednesday, Science on Wednesday and Thursday and English on Thursday and Friday. GCSE Exams begin for Year 11 the following week and some revision information is on the back of this newsletter.

On Tuesday we had a very successful Parents Evening for Year 10 as they reach the midway point of their courses. We took the opportunity to ask parents for an email address so we can make direct contact with home from time to time. If any were missed please send them into school via the student.

*Sean Hayes*

## Duke of Edinburgh

A group of 15 Year 10 students have signed up for the D of E Bronze Award. They have to complete four major challenges, some over six months. These are volunteering, learning a new skill, physical recreation and an expedition.

Some students are already volunteering in our local community: Peterborough Rowing Club, Burghley Park Cricket Club and Castor Scout Group. We have already started our expedition training by practising bandaging during a lunchtime session. Other sessions will include map reading, setting up our tents and cooking on stoves.

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## Attendance

To help improve our overall attendance we would request that Parents arrange Doctor and Dental appointments outside of the school day as far as possible. We have also started the 100% attendance club, where students who have 100% attendance and punctuality to school this term will enter a prize draw at the end of term. Reminder - Our target this year is to achieve 93% attendance

## Parent Champion

In his role as Parent Champion, Father David will be available to see parents on **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May** at 3.30pm. Father David may be contacted by phoning him direct on 01733-562528 ext 5, or you may email him at [frdavidallsouls@hotmail.com](mailto:frdavidallsouls@hotmail.com)

## Lent Fundraising

During Lent the school raised money for the charity EducAid and for the Child Advocacy Relief Fund. It costs just £120 to send a child to school in Sierra Leone. This weeks assemblies have been about leaders and students have been receiving Citizenship certificates for participation, effort and leadership in the fundraising activities during Lent. During assembly students have been reflecting on the various efforts of different forms and houses and watching students from Sierra Leone perform their 'I have a dream' speeches, inspired by Martin Luther King. It is hoped that in the near future our students will be able to speak directly to students at Miriam Mason's school in Freetown in Sierra Leone through 'Skype'.

Well done to everyone who took part in activities during Lent. The total raised was **£1,874.86**

**Winning form: 9PT - £321**

**Winning house: Martyrs - £652.88**

As a reward 9PT will be going bowling.

Form groups that made over £100 through their enterprise and citizenship skills:

Franz Jagerstatter (Year 12/13) - £311.88

Walburga (Year 9) - £143.37

Patrick of Ireland (Year 8) - £126.77

Dominic (Year 9) - £117.47

Angela Merici (Year 7) - £117.58

Well done!

**Students who received an active Citizenship certificate for their fundraising efforts are:**

Sabba Manzer, Neelam Shahid, Stephanie Beara, Narges Haydari, Jordan Lancaster, Sonny O'Rourke, Christopher Power, Iziah Robinson, Kayley Darroch, Chloe Morrison, Grzegorz Masternak, Mohammed Shabir Ali, Mohammed Ali, Tenesha Anderson, Osvaldo Azevedo, Gjergi Baca, Rolandas Banys, Nikita Bathia, Eloy Conde, Liam Fitzjohn, Poppy Foreman-Bates, Patryk Gacki, Mirhamza Karim, Liam Kehoe, Sabrina Marzano, Erin McClean, Sheetal Patel, Ballal Rehman, Edward Rosser, Luke Scott, Ewa Stryczek, Rahul Sundavadra, Daria Szydłowska, Gemma Titchmarsh, Lance Vilar, Susana Vonzo, Daria Wiecek, Nadine Ilahi, Shai Brown, Amy Pragnell, Kaiz Hussain, Tania Ilahi, Emily Kerrigan, Janine Kettle, Shannan Craig, Kieran Evans and Paige Allen.

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## Year 11 Revision Information



### Introducing the SAM Learning service for Year 11 students

At school we are always looking for ways to extend our students' learning. Part of our improvement programme involves the use of SAM Learning, a unique online service that covers all subjects. SAM has a proven track record; studies have shown that using the service leads to better exam results for students.

### The 10 Hour Challenge

We are challenging all Year 11 students to complete at least 10 hours using SAM Learning as part of their revision for the exams. There is no need to keep a record of how much use is made of SAM Learning as the system will do this automatically. Teachers will be able to look at the students' progress. Participation certificates will be awarded.

### Access details

Students are able to access the service at anytime and anywhere. It is available to them in school, but also at home, in the library and community centre. All they need to do is visit the website and enter their unique login details.

**Website address:** [www.samlearning.com](http://www.samlearning.com)

Centre ID:	PEISJ
User ID:	Date of birth followed by two initials: first name then last name. Example: 010896DJ is the User ID for David Jones born 1st Aug 1996.
Password:	Initially same as the User ID, Learners are encouraged to change this to something difficult to guess.

It is advised that students keep a record of the access details in their homework book.

### How to get involved

All Year 11 students have been shown how to use the service and you might wish to ask them how it works.

## Revision Sessions Summer 2009

Subject	Day	Time	Room
Art	Monday	3.30 – 5.30	303
Classics	Monday - Thursday	1.15 – 1.45	108
Drama	Monday – Friday	1.15 – 1.45 3.30 – 4.30	101
English	Thursday	3.35 – 4.35	111
French	Tuesday	1.15 – 1.45	206
French	Thursday	3.45 – 5.00	206
History	Tuesday	1.15 – 1.45	106
ICT	Monday, Wednesday - Friday	1.30 – 2.00	105
Mathematics	Wednesday	3.30 – 4.30	202
Music	Friday	3.30 – 4.30	102
RE	Thursday	3.30 – 4.30	210
Sports Studies	Wednesday	1.25 – 2.00	312
Textiles	Monday	3.30 – 4.30	303

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