



On the 28th and 29th June we took Year 10 pupils to the University of Essex for the day. The girls were able to explore the campus whilst taking part in some sample academic lectures covering topics such as "Rethinking Law and our society," "To see a world in a grain of sand; envisioning William Blake" and "Atlantic Piracy 1500-1750". They also took part in what turned out to be a very competitive Marketing Challenge; tasked with creating a marketing campaign for an everyday object, some of the girls came up with some highly creative and very impressive adverts which were filmed in and around the University



campus. At the end of the day we took part in a guided tour of the University of Essex campus taking in the market square, some of the student accommodation, the library and some of the different departmental buildings. We left Essex University with a much better understanding of what student life might entail as well as more information about the range of degree courses that are available. This will support the girls with considering their post 18 options in the future.

Our Year 9 MEP students worked very hard last week during their Mandarin Intensive Study week. They spoke to Chinese students over video link, engaged in lessons from Chinese teachers at Xi'an University, toured different cities in China virtually and enjoyed some cultural activities such as Chinese opera mask making and calligraphy. This culminated in making Chinese dumplings which we hope all students enjoyed. Well done Year 9!

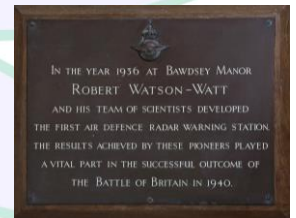


Year 8 PGL and Year 7 Mayfield Challenge Camp:



The last fortnight saw 90 Year 8 adventurers and over 100 Year 7 campers take part in their end of year activities. Year 8 travelled to Bawdsey Manor in Suffolk where they took part in lots of adventurous activities and games including, Ziplining, Climbing, Abseiling, Buggy-Building, Orienteering, Coastal Walking, Problem Solving, Trapeze and The Giant Swing! The weather was kind to us and in the

evenings, we partook in the PGL Mayfield games which included Ultimate Frisbee, Whacky Rounders, Balloon Splash and Miss McCormack's Bodge Ball! Did Mrs Frost cheat during Balloon Splash?.....we will never know!! Each group threw themselves wholeheartedly into the activities and really showed skills such as determination, resilience, problem solving and teamwork. The students also had a lot of fun exploring the beach, looking for sea glass and jelly fish! A wonderful time was had by all.



On Friday Year 7 Mayfield Challengers took part in the overnight camp held here at school! They all helped to put up their huge tents and were rewarded with pizza and Miss Stanley and Mr Johnson's games evening ably assisted by Captain Harrison!! Again, the British summer weather did not let us down and we were all grateful for a dry, if not warm, summer's evening! Some phenomenally successful camps, well done to those students for taking part in all



the activities and behaving brilliantly. Thank you to our wonderful staff for all their help and commitment without whom these adventures could not take place. Our adventure loving staff included Mrs Frost, Mrs Ashton, Ms Sesé, Miss Li, Mr Harrison, Mr Skeels, Mrs Crook, Mrs Buchanan, Miss Mannah, Mrs Capewell, Mr Yankov, Mr Valentine, Mrs Berry, Mr Johnson, and Miss Stanley.

This week, Year 12 students visited Wrotham Road Primary School to deliver English and Drama workshops, and Year 10 delivered MFL workshops. The visits provided an excellent enrichment and work experience opportunity for our students and helped the Year 6 pupils to prepare for secondary school with an introduction to a variety of subjects. Thank you to all those who took part, and special thanks to staff: Mrs Quiros, Mr Lobo, Mrs Horsley, Miss Delwaulle, Miss Zhu and Mrs Kaur.



Weekly Bulletin: Mayfield Grammar School

The following students are top readers/borrowers according to our school library borrowing system. Dr Glucksberg has awarded a certificate to each student and these are being distributed this week. Well done to all these students. **Lower School:** Phoebe O 7C, Narthana S 7A, Eirlys W 7C, Joanna O 7L, Precious O 7D, Harmony N 7W, Efetobo I 7A, Hrlina M 8C, Sophia S 8L, Sri G 8C, Shei B 8C, Rashmika P 8R, Alice T 8L. **Upper School:** Azaria A 9A, Tabitha C 9W, Emelia F 9C, Prudence N 10D, Agbenu O 10L, Toluwani F 10R, Vidhi P 11R, Tirenioluwa O 11L, Jennane S 11L, Dakota G 12HHN, Grace B 12BSN, Grace O 12SYN.

Last week we hosted another Celebration Lunch in recognition of those who have gone above and beyond in their service to the school. Students were nominated across a range of areas including excelling in their role as Subject Prefects, for leading discussions at Form, Year, and Whole-school level as School Council Reps, for outstanding work in any area of the curriculum, developing skills beyond the curriculum, participating in the debating team, acting as Student Librarians, for the highest achievement points awarded in their year group, excelling in sporting events and positively contributing to any area of the school community. Well done to all who were nominated and thank you to Mrs Walsh and her team for putting on a wonderful spread. We would like to thank the team of Student Librarians, who have worked tirelessly in the Wills Library to deliver an outstanding library service to the school ever since we opened in January. It feels like such a long time ago, but it was only six months. Well done to you all!



Leadership, Integrity, Confidence, Respect, Empathy, Resilience.

Sports Day

On Thursday 6th July with the sun shining, we had our annual Sports Day. In the morning we had the field events and, in the afternoon, Sports Day took on a slightly different format this year with traditional races, bench ball, tug of war and alternative races including space hoppers and egg and spoon. Lots of fun was had by all and it was lovely to see so many students taking part.

Year 7

1st - Chadwick
2nd - Atholl
3rd - Darnley

Year 8

1st - Darnley
2nd - Lynton
3rd - Atholl

Year 9

1st - Lynton
2nd - Chadwick
3rd - Penfold

Year 10

1st - Atholl
2nd - Chadwick
3rd - Reekie

Looking forward

Monday 17th July

Year 10 Assembly in the Hall (MZR/JMT)

Tuesday 18th July

Year 8 Assembly in the Hall (ANN/JFT)

Wednesday 19th July – end of term

Period 1: Normal

9.35-9.55: Year 12 shortened p2

9.35-10.30: Year 7-10 normal p2

10.00-10.30: Year 12 House Celebration: Main Hall

10.30-10.55: Years 7-10: Break

Year 12 Tutor Time (to tidy form rooms and both common rooms)

10.55: Years 7-10: Go to Tutor Time

11.00: Lower School: House Celebration

Upper School: Tutor Time

Year 12: Dismissal

11.35: Lower School: Tutor Time

Upper School: House Celebration

From 12.15: Final Registration & Dismissal by LLs

Upper School pupils registered on their return from final assembly

Assembly theme

This week's Assembly theme: Respect for others' Feelings and Differences

Showing loyalty and support; what we expect from others and what they have the right to expect from us; loving our neighbour.

Our School Environment

Litter duty: 9W Please collect the litter picks and black sacks from Mrs Curley by 1.45pm and report to your Learning Leader and staff on the field at the end of lunchtime, 2.15pm.

Lost Property: 9P Please make sure lost property is sorted by 19th July. Your Sixth Form Prefect should make contact with the form to arrange the day on which the duty will be done. All lost property is located in clearly labelled grey boxes in the Orangery. Please check for your lost items as these boxes will be emptied at the end of term.

Water: Please use the water stations around the school at break and lunchtime and remember to bring a bottle each day to minimise use of single use plastic bottles.

Notices

Uniform: Our new uniform supplier Simmonds will be operating a pop-up shop at the school at the beginning of the summer break. You will be able to drop in to view sizes and purchase items ready for the new school year. The shop will be open from 3.00pm until 6.00pm on Monday 24th, Tuesday 25th and Wednesday 26th July. The pop-up shop will be managed by Simmonds staff only.

End of term: Please find the time to say a personal thank you to all the staff who have worked hard throughout the school year to support each and every one of us. We will be saying farewell to a number of staff over this week, we wish them well and encourage them to keep in touch. Finally, we wish you all a fun and restful summer holiday and look forward to seeing you all again on 4th September.

School history



It was with great sadness that we learned last week of the death of Terry Jones, former Assistant

Headteacher and Teacher of History/Politics, who taught at our school from 1971-2012. He was a wonderful teacher and will be missed by all. Our thoughts and prayers are with Terry's family at this sad time.

Reader's Corner

Book Swap: Many thanks to the many students who came along to our Book Swap last week; it was wonderful to see it so well attended. Thank you for swapping your books and we hope that you have managed to refresh your bookshelves in readiness for the summer holiday! A special mention must go to our Year 10 helpers Shiruja and Aarathy; thank you for your help and ensuring everything ran smoothly.

Summer Reading: The summer holidays are nearly here and many of us will be thinking about what we can read over the break. Why not pop in to the Wills Library for some summer reading inspiration, or equally, use the Kent Libraries Service to borrow some books to see you through the holiday. If you're not already a member it couldn't be easier to join; simply access the following weblink <https://www.kent.gov.uk/leisure-and-community/libraries/borrow-library-items/join-library-cards-and-pin>. Joining your public library not only gives you access to a wide range of physical books, but also an extensive variety of ebooks, emagazines and audiobooks. Still need some summer reading ideas? Have a look at the Book Trust's recommendations for great reads inspired by the summer season: <https://www.booktrust.org.uk/booklists/s/summer-reads-teen/>