

**Weekly bulletin for students of Hayesfield Girls' School,  
their parents, guardians and families**

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Week commencing Monday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2010

**Week A**



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From the Headteacher:

**Induction Days**

We have held three most successful induction days for Year 6, 9 and 12 students and they are all looking forward to the new academic year.

**Forthcoming Events**

Please remember to keep a eye on the website for events, including our annual Arts and Technology Evening on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2010.

Erica Draisey

**Assemblies:**

Monday:	Year 8 – Mrs Brown
Tuesday:	Year 7 – Mrs Young
Wednesday:	Year 10 – Mr White
Thursday:	Year 9 – Mr Price
Friday:	Year 8 – Mrs Atkins

**Forthcoming Calendar Events:**

Tuesday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	-	Full Governors' Meeting, Upper School Library, 7.00pm
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	-	Silver Duke of Edinburgh Presentation Evening, Beechen Cliff, 4.00pm – 5.00pm
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	-	'Maths for Parents' Evening, Lower School Gym, 6.00pm-7.00pm
	-	Singing Concert by Felicity Courage and students, Lower School Hall, 5.30pm – 6.45pm
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> July	-	Sports Day, Bath University
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> July – 16 <sup>th</sup> July		Years 7, 8, 9 and 12 Extension Week Year 10 Work Experience

**Culverhay School – Fashion Show, 12<sup>th</sup> July 2010**

Unfortunately the Travelling Trends Fashion Show at Culverhay on 12<sup>th</sup> July 2010 has been cancelled. Apologies for any inconvenience caused.

**Cathy Hopkins Visit**

Local author Cathy Hopkins will be in school to talk to Year 8 on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July. If you would like her to sign a copy of her latest book 'Million Dollar Mates', please send payment of £6.29 to school before the event. Cathy has written many popular books for teenagers and you can find out more about her and the books she writes at [www.cathyhopkins.com](http://www.cathyhopkins.com) Ms Atkins, Librarian

**Extension Week**

Please can families ensure that we have replies back for Extension Week activities. If we do not have parental consent we are unable to take a student on a trip. All details can be found on the website. If students have lost their letters they can get a replacement from the school office at break times.

## **9R2 Black History Project**

This year as part of their History curriculum, 9R2 studied the lives of Native Americans as a non-European part of their curriculum. During discussion the students raised the issue of why we rarely see non-White people recorded in our History books, so we decided to address this by embarking on a Black History research project to find out more about the contributions made to Human history by people outside the White European community.

Groups of students researched individuals from Asia, Africa, the Caribbean and North America. They also wanted to raise awareness among the wider school community so have produced a display about their work in the Lower School Corridor and have prepared an assembly they will deliver to the whole school during the national Black History Month in October.

We would also like to thank Mrs Atkins, the School Librarian, who came to our lessons to help students develop their research skills using a wide range of books and encyclopaedias, and Michelle Kambarami from the Black Families Education Service in Bath who shared both her resources and her expertise with the students.

The students have also reflected not just on the knowledge they acquired but also the learning skills they developed and some of their reflections are set out below. Well done 9R2!

### **Black History**

"Black History is important because it shows how we separated Blacks from Whites with inequality and violence. Many of these men and women made changes in the world that affected our current lifestyle. For example, Gandhi won Independence for India but through non-violent acts, which spread around the world and inspired others such as Martin Luther King. We have developed our skills in picking out important facts to back up our ideas". Bhavana Baiju

"Black History is important to how we look at the world now. If the civil rights campaigners hadn't fought and made a difference then racism would still be how countries are run. For example, Rosa Parks made a big difference. In the 1950s in the USA white people could take all the seats at the front of the buses and Black people would have to stand. Her decision to not give up her seat made Black society think differently and realise that they were being controlled. They decided together to stand up for themselves". Anya Seek

"Without Black History there would be no American History. America was built by the hard work of Black people. One of the people we studied was Martin Luther King, who was inspired by Gandhi and shocked the American nation by insisting Black and White people were treated the same. We also studied Nelson Mandela who was a strong, positive leader in South Africa, and who become their first Black President. We learned how to work in groups and present our ideas". Tamara McLean

### **Theatre Club Autumn Season**

We are delighted to offer Grand Circle seats in the newly refurbished Theatre Royal Bath at £8.50 each for the autumn season. This is a significant saving on normal Grand Circle seat prices often over £20 for shows:

- 'Country Girl' with Martin Shaw and Jenny Seagrove
- 'Enron' the award winning Royal Court production
- 'Thriller Live' two hours of live non stop hits
- 'Rambert Ballet Company' with three exciting pieces
- 'Blithe Spirit' with Alison Steadman ( Gavin's mum)
- 'Spamalot' Monty Python's musical take on King Arthur.

Two tickets for each performance may be purchased through the scheme. More details are in the flier available from Student Reception at both schools. All requests must be with the Finance Office by 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2010. Tickets will be issued in the new term. Mrs Bryden

### **Arts and Technology Evening – Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> July**

We will be holding our annual Arts and Technology Evening on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> July from 6.00pm-8.30pm at Lower School. Tickets will be available from the school offices - £3 adults and £2 concessions.

### **PTFA Volunteers**

We need a group of 10 parents to help with the door tickets, bar and the BBQ. We have lovely food donated by Bartlett and Sons, family butchers, and Bath Bakery. If you are able to offer us even half an hour (between 6.00pm and 9.00pm) to join a rota we would be very grateful. It is a wonderful evening and a great chance to meet other members of the PTFA. Please reply to [information@hayesfield.com](mailto:information@hayesfield.com) please, marked PTFA volunteers.

### **Year 12 Conference at Bath Spa University - 'Big Questions and Alternative Answers'**

All our Year 12 students will be attending the above conference on **Wednesday 7th July from 9am - 1pm**, together with students from other sixth forms in Bath and North East Somerset. We are providing transport to and from Bath Spa University and will leave school at 9.00am on Wednesday. We are asking for a contribution of £2.00 per student to help cover the cost of the coaches. This is the second year that this event has been organised by Bath Spa University and the local SACRE and if last year is anything to go by it should be a thought-provoking occasion.

### **Athletics Championships, Bath University**

A selection of Year 7 and Year 8 girls took part in the Minor Athletics Championships at Bath University on Tuesday June 29<sup>th</sup>. All students gave 100% effort and showed great determination and excellent team spirit throughout the day. Well done to all the girls who took part:

Alice McDonald, Milly Abbott, Isabella Patterson, Tania Vorster, Sydney Marshall, Molly Ricketts, Eloise Hanney, Amie Norris, Carys Cliffe, Caitlin Beddoe, Imogen Beddoe, Melody Gibbs, Ella Cousins, Erin Lynch, Danielle Bird, Sophie Chun, Izzy Dowling, Fran Gillow, Charlotte Folkes, Clare Kendall, Bridie Lynch, Beth Derrick, Emily Noad, Emily Clothier, Darcy Emery, Guylaine Roker, Helen Clegg.

Special congratulations to Tania Vorster who came 1<sup>st</sup> in the final of the 200m, Alice Reynolds 1<sup>st</sup> in hurdles and 1<sup>st</sup> in long jump, Milly Abbott 1<sup>st</sup> in 100m heat, Fran Gillow 1<sup>st</sup> in 800m, Emily Harris 1<sup>st</sup> in shot, Ella MacGregor Bellaart 2<sup>nd</sup> in Javelin, Sophie Mitchell 2<sup>nd</sup> in Javelin and finally the Year 7 relay team came 1<sup>st</sup> in their race. PE Department.