



Newsletter

19th December 2019

Special Commendations

Special Commendations have been awarded to:

Bulman

Leon Hancock for being helpful, positive and consistently working hard in Maths.

Rochelle Harris for taking part in the Christmas Concert, playing the violin in her first orchestra performance.

Phoebe Wheeler-Wooding for a particularly moving and effective piece of writing about being elderly in PSHE.

Sophie McCammon for her consistent hard work in A level Geography.

Amy Deane For consistent hard work, effort and resilience during this half term in Psychology. In particular Amy's completion of her work so far in the Addiction module has been exemplary.

Lucy Davies for outstanding progress in German

Francesca Billington for her consistent effort and progress in D&T throughout the course

Kathryn Jones for her dedication to learning in Maths.

D'Oliveira

Gareth Evans for his unswerving cheerfulness, pleasant manner and getting an excellent score in the recent end of unit test.

Grace Osborne for going out of her way to be helpful and kind.

Declan Holloway for being helpful and positive in all of his English lessons.

Izzy Edwards for outstanding progress in German

Lorna Beecroft for showing a determination to succeed in Child Development and producing some outstanding work in her controlled assessment tasks.

Poppy Powell for her consistently excellent attitude to learning in Craft and D&T lessons

Leila Whitehouse for unwavering outstanding effort in Maths this half term

Danielle Greensall for excellent progress in Biology.

Josh Tanner for his excellent work ethic and response to feedback in Geography.



Parks

Daisy Taylor and Ewan Sanders for being consistently outstanding students of English.

Charles Clews for an excellent result in the recent maths assessment

Skye Hennessy for her enthusiasm and willingness to get involved with House competitions, representing the tutor group.

Skye Hennessy for her outstanding attitude to learning.

Dylan Rolfe for being helpful and positive in French.

Owen Fallon for an excellent term in maths and an improvement in his PPE from the Summer term.

Jasmine Kilmartin for her resilience and determination towards improving her running. Jasmine has made great progress, which was evident at the recent Biathlon where she achieved a personal best time, improving by 17 seconds and also in the recent cross country event where she came 3rd in the District competition.

Daniel Leavesley for excellent progress made in Maths this half term

Auguste Juseviciute for her consistently positive work ethic in Biology.

Stanley Broadway for the overall improvement in his work.

Bella Allen for her unfailing commitment to her learning and her progress in Physics.

Rowling

Molly Anne Webb for always being polite and supportive of her peers in her science lessons. Demonstrating a very positive attitude to learning and making good progress in science.

Stephen Cashman for excellent problem solving in Maths.

Daniel Hansen for being a positive member of the tutor group and for stepping up to help another member of the group when needed.

Marnie Harkus has been nominated by both her Science teachers for her continued effort and achievement in Science.

Tom Quinn for excellence in maths.

Bruno Osman-Hopes has had an excellent half term in PE. He is a first class Gymnast, enjoys fitness and is always ready to support others in the group.

Kyle Westacott for dedication to his learning in Maths.

Ellie-May Preston for being a kind and helpful member of her tutor group.



Ben Clay for excellent effort and achievement in Geography

Winslow

Louis Blackwood for a sustained improvement in attitude and focus in English.

Holly Bourne for consistently giving her best and making great progress with some new ways of writing in English.

Jacob Wilesmith for his ongoing positive contributions to his tutor group.

Finley Chandler for persevering in Food Preparation and Nutrition. His resilience really paid off with an outstanding practical this week.

Daisy Priestley for a superb term in mathematics. She is outstanding with her classwork, homework and contributes to all lessons. She has improved her PPE grade from the summer.

James Blake for his outstanding attitude and approach towards his Science lessons. James is always positive and focused, showing a natural desire to work hard, reflected in his excellent end of topic test results.

Matthew Hemmens Ross for his hugely improved attendance this term. He has achieved 100%.

Amy Carter for her level of commitment to her GCSE courses.

Other Student Successes

8LW French worked hard for their assessment this week and Miss Bowerman was impressed with their attitude.

8LR French have worked very well during lessons are a pleasure to teach.

Many students **from 9B1 French** have been keen to volunteer with our middle school activities and they also have an excellent attitude during lessons.

In D&T **Amy Carter (W)** and **Morgan Hughes (D)** have made their excellent effort and progress in lessons, demonstrating resilience to improve their making skills and thereby producing high quality practical work.

Mr Such congratulates the following Year 9 students for their consistent effort and progress, producing creative and quality practical work in the Y9 Make Off project: **Pheobe Crabb, Paige Goode, Sophie Howard, Mia Gardner-Smith, Abbie Morris, Callum Hey, Auguste Juseviciute, Ayane Misawa, Ben Beesley, Mia Goode and Beth Edwards.**

Year 12 Theatre Studies students have been making very creative pieces of work, showing impressive analysis and independent thought.



Lily May Degenkolb has been able to demonstrate independent thought when it comes to the analysis of *Of Mice and Men*.

Well done to everyone in 9LW who performed on the stage last week. Particular mention to **Louis Blackmore** and **Leo Goddart** who improvised on the spot a dialogue between Slim and A Policeman.

8LMJ continue to demonstrate some excellent team spirit and house competitiveness.

The Year 11 Great Droitwich Bake Off

A number of food students in Year 11 were given an on-the-spot creative challenge of making a flavoured and shaped bread independently within a 50 minute timeframe this week. The Great British Bake Off inspired task was approached with enthusiasm and vigour by all. Well done to **Charlie Richardson, Caitlin Denby, Alex Kovacheva, Madison Prentice, Millie Hawkeswood, Martha Frapwell, Alex Eaton and Jack Sindaco**.



Year 9 MFL Leaders with Witton and Westacre Middle Schools

The Year 9 MFL Leaders have been assisting successfully with Year 7 activities again this term. 60 students from Witton and Westacre Middle Schools visited the High School on Tuesday 3rd December for French Christmas Carols in the theatre and to make Christmas cards for the Senior Citizens' Party the following day. The Middle School students were a credit to their teachers and the Year 9 students showed very impressive leadership skills.





Year 9 Visit to the Liverpool Slavery Museum



The History department ran its annual year 9 trip to Liverpool slavery museum for the workshop and tour of transatlantic slavery. The students were excellent ambassadors for the school, polite, courteous and engaged with the learning at all times and threw themselves into their workshop and tour with engagement and focus.

The sensitive nature of the topic and the genuine artefacts such as leg manacles, carvings, religious ornaments, weapons and textiles required a maturity and responsibility on the part of the students and they did not disappoint.



Christmas Concert

This Wednesday saw an excellent evening of musical performances from students from year 8 through to year 13. The students showed a great deal of musical skill and professionalism as they performed in a variety of musical styles including Christmas favourites, Jazz standards and traditional tunes.

Particular thanks to Kobie Morris and Brad Eversham for providing excellent lighting, sound and photography for the concert and to the Music staff who worked with the students. Congratulations to all of the performers for a fantastic evening's entertainment.

Toby Barker, Jude Carr, Rachel Cheah, Daniel Chorley, Marius De La Guerre, Billy Deacon, Kurtis Duffy, Vicki Embleton, Bradley Eversham, Amelia Freeman, Megan Golding, Sophie Gomersall, Lorna Gwillam, Olivia Hale, Rochelle Harris, Joe Harrison, Archie Hartles, Sophie Howard, Auguste Juseciuvite, Charlotte Kay, Liam Knight, Nathan Law, Jasmine Leverett-Hawes, Charlotte McCammon, Kanon Misawa, Ayane Misawa, Oliver Morgan, Kobie Morris, Cliona O'Brien-Hodges, Eva Palmer, Lottie Plant, Mary Poynton, Maisey Prue, Nathan Redfern, Hope Rose, Rebecca Ross, James Rudkin, Jonathan Smith, Pamela Stacey, Emma Thompson, Hazel Ward, Sophie Wardley, Jessica Welsh, Annie Williams and Ben Wood





Cross Country

The District cross country event was held at Bromsgrove School on Thursday 5th December. The PE department was delighted with the number of students who expressed an interest in the event and it was difficult to select sixteen participants from the strong field of runners. Those competing demonstrated grit and determination against tough competition, on the muddy course, and should feel proud of their achievements. Special mention goes to **Bea Rusby** who came 7th in the junior girls event, **Jasmine Kilmartin** who came 3rd in the inter girls event, **Ben MacCallum Banks** who came 4th in the inter boys event and **Georgia Fox** who came 1st in the senior girls event. Congratulations and good luck to all four students who have qualified to represent Bromsgrove and Droitwich District in the County competition at the University of Worcester Lakeside campus on Saturday 1st February. All students demonstrated grit and determination against tough competition on the muddy course, and should feel proud of their achievements. Well done to all:

Izzy Sprague, Jack Osbaldiston, James Rudkin, Emily Sprague, Izzy Rollit, Jack Millwood, Fred McGough, Ruby Boulton, Matty Nestorowski, Hollie Pheasant, Eric Neumann, Brandon Connaire.



Inclusion Festival

On Thursday 5th December, twelve students took part in an inclusive sports festival. They all took part in a range of Olympic and Paralympic sports activities with the help of sports leaders from Worcester University. Activities included wheelchair basketball, blind football, goalball and boccia. It was evident that all students enjoyed the experience and engaged in all activities with great enthusiasm. Points were awarded throughout for attributes such as effort, sportsmanship and teamwork, with the Droitwich Spa High School students gaining second place amongst a number of local schools. Well done to: **Ella Blakemore, Kyle Hartwell, Taylor Brighton, Kiren Punnamoottil Mathukutty, Righley Burford, Owen Smith, Reece Smith, Brandon Hey, Sam Pointon and Chris Kirby.**



Toast Masters Public Speaking Evening



Congratulations to the Year 10 students who spoke with clarity and confidence at the Toast Masters Public Speaking Evening. Following an eight week course led by members of Malvern Speakers, they gave very engaging presentations on a variety of topics as well as giving impromptu speeches on topics which they had not prepared.

The students who took part were:

Grace Pedley	Ballet
Harriet Rochelle	Who is the best Defence against the Arts Professor in the Harry Potter story?
Amy Ford	How the media presents us
Joe Garbett	The Greek Gods
Emma Thompson	Bizarre Mysteries
Erin Pheysey Wilton	Why should you muzzle you dog?
Pamela Stacey	The Importance of Beauty

Carol Service

On Monday evening the Music Department led our Carol Service at the Methodist Church in Droitwich. The singing and playing was a very high quality and the event was very much enjoyed by the staff, parents and other members of the local community.



And Finally

The Staff and Students wish you all a Happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year

