

PARENTS NEWS

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Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parents

I wish you and all the students a relaxing and enjoyable half term.

Juliet Strang

Star Class Competition

The Star Class in year 11 goes from strength to strength. The competition between the students is hotting up as they all hope to be the student that achieves the most A*s this summer. We have discussed paradoxes, used open-space technology, unravelled polynomials and debated Darwin. All members of the Star Class are entering this year's Star Awards hoping to lift a coveted award. The big news is now that there is a *rival star class*. Other year 11 students have set up another Star Class wanting to prove that in fact they are the best. As we know, as we celebrate Darwin's birth, competition is natural and encourages achievement. Good luck to all Star Class students and may the best team win!!

Mr Street

British Airways Flag Award

The following 26 students have passed the British Airways Flag Award test in Urdu/Panjabi. Congratulations to all of them:

1. Bilal Qisar 2. Shafaq Syeda 3. Ammara Javaid 4. Farid Ahmed. 5. Usman Rana Khizer 6. Aqsa Noor 7. Shahbaz Malik . 8. Jameel Mannan. 9 Hifsa Shaukat.

10.Sana Chaudry 11. Abubakar Reedygull. 12.Tayyab Shakeel. 13. Palwasha Khan. 14. Qais Safi. 15. Saarim Suleman. 16. Aadi Malik. 17.Nayab Allah- Rakha 19.Henna Hussain. 18.Aaqib Muhammed. 20.Tanzeela Iqbal. 21.Kamran Ahmed. 22.Raminder Singh. 23.Inderpal Arora. 24 Aysa Hussain 25. Aaliyah Hussain. 26 Mariam Khan.

Urdu Poetry Competition

A group of 10 students are going to attend the Urdu Poetry competition organised by the London Borough of Ealing on Saturday 14th February 2009 at Ealing Central Library, Ealing Broadway Centre, W5 5JY.

Mrs Dhaliwal

Sports Leaders

This week a number of students in Year 10 and 11 demonstrated their Sports Leader skills by assisting in the running of tournaments with local primary schools. 12 Year 10 students organised and officiated an indoor Athletics Event at Southall Sports Centre, whilst 5 Year 11 boys assisted with the officiating of a football tournament at Three Bridges Primary School. The students involved all did a fantastic job, and the Year 5 and 6 students all had a great time! Well done!!

Wednesday 11th February

Today, 12 students from Year 10 volunteered to organise an Athletics Event for Year 5 and 6 pupils from three primary schools: Blair Peach, Hamborough and Beaconfields. We were all paired up, and had to manage an event. We had to encourage the pupils and measure and record the results accurately. It was a great experience for us as we developed our sports leaders' skills further and used them in a practical situation. We had a great time and are hoping to take part in future sports events. Marjan Nadem 10SP, Ifat Nisar 10HK, Samara Zafar 10DX, Habiba Alam 10HK, Stacy Vas 10HK.

Ms Walton

Year 7MY Trip to Science Museum

Braving the bitter cold and arctic conditions, 7MY set off and explored the Science Museum on Tuesday. Here they found out about the devastating effect of Global Warming and how we are all contributing to it. As a result 7MY are now more energy aware and are more reluctant about leaving their carbon footprint on this fragile planet.

Mr Murphy

Stars in a Story

Graphic Artist Stephen Hall has been working with a year 7 English Group as part of the Creative Partnerships 'Stars in a Story' scheme. The children have been learning drawing skills and techniques to enable them to create cartoons and storyboards. They will create a piece of artwork based on the story 'Kensuke's Kingdom' and record the process using words and pictures.

Ms Atwill and Ms Smith

STAR AWARDS 2009 A GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY!

Dear Parents

Villiers Students need not be bored during the half-term holiday! They can revise their schoolwork and find opportunities to enter excellent work into this year's STAR AWARDS COMPETITION. There are 10 categories;

Music, Drama, Dance, Business and Enterprise, Photography, Film Making, Writing, Sporting Achievement, Science and Invention, Art and Design.

I know that your son or daughter has the time and the talent to make you a proud parent by entering the STAR AWARDS COMPETITION. They can send in their entry online on starawards@villiers.ealing.sch.uk or give their entry to me, Mr Jones, in the school library on their return to school after half-term. PLEASE, PLEASE take advantage of this opportunity to support and encourage your child to participate.

Thank you so much.

Regards—Mr Jones

Science Revision Classes

Tuesday 17th Feb - AB's class 10S5 – Physics - 9.30am -1.30pm

Wednesday 18th Feb - AB's class 11R4 and 11S3 – Topic B1b - 9.30am -1.30pm

Thursday 19th Feb - AB's class 11R4 and 11S3 – Topic P1a - 9.30am -1.30pm

Friday 20th Feb - AB's class 10R1 – Physics - 9.30am -1.30pm

Ms Abbas

The Arts Council in association with the Metro newspaper are offering FREE tickets for under 26s About the initiative

Arts Council England in association with Metro brings you the new scheme, A Night Less Ordinary. Launched in February 2009 the scheme offers thousands of free theatre tickets to anyone aged 26 and under for all sorts of theatre events including comedy, tragedies, musical theatre, dance, modern mime, plays, circus and much more. There are more than 200 venues participating throughout England and you can search them all from the home page. So what are you waiting for?

How to get tickets

It's really easy – visit www.anightlessordinary.org.uk and just type in your area or postcode to search participating theatres near you. Have a look at what's on offer and grab your tickets quick - before someone else does! You'll need to contact the Theatre and state that you'd like to get the FREE tickets for under 26s run by the Arts Council

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Junior Basketball Team

The Junior Basketball Team 'Villiers Vipers' ended their season with back-to-back wins over Dormers Wells and West London Academy this week. On Tuesday, Dormers Wells made the short trip to Villiers' gym for our only home fixture of the season. In front of a handful of Year 9 spectators, the team quickly went into a lead and eventually ran out winners 49 – 22. Then yesterday evening, the team travelled to West London and again they struggled to score in unfamiliar surroundings; the team is not used to playing on full size courts. For the first three quarters of the game, the scores were very close although we were just in the lead each time. Villiers managed a six point lead going into the final quarter. The height and strength of the team then proved too much for the West London squad and we eventually ran out winners by 38 points to 29.

This has been an excellent season with four wins and only one loss to Twyford. We will have to wait for the published tables to find out whether the 'Vipers' actually won the league. Well done.

Team: Shabaz (Captain), Priyesh, Harjit, Arshad, Bobby, Amardeep, Ashpreet and Hanad

Mr Strutt (Coach)

Choir Auditions

The choir needs more students to join. Auditions will be held, one-on-one, in X3 Wednesday 25/2 at the beginning of lunch. Please prepare a song of your own choice to sing at the audition.

Hope to see you there.

Miss Pedersen