



Bancroft's School

e-Bulletin



Monday 11 March 2019

News

- Congratulations to our team of Shivan Aggarwal (RS), Zaki Lodhi (L4S), Shanuga Rubaraj (RE) and Anika Vijay (RS) who were the winners of the Essex Round of the UKMT (UK Math Trusts) Team Challenge Competition which was hosted at Bancroft's last Tuesday. KEGS were in second place and University College School, in their first visit to the Bancroft's held heat, were third. Roding Valley High School were fourth. Twenty nine teams from Essex and north London visited us, including teams from Chigwell, Woodford County High School, New Hall, Haileybury and Queenswood. The Bancroft's team will now compete in The National Final which is on Monday 17 June at the Royal Horticultural Halls in central London.
- On Saturday, eight Bancroftians attended the City of London Boys' School Model United Nations, representing Brazil and Venezuela. Andrew McGregor (L6W) was awarded Best Delegate on the ECOSOC Committee, a real achievement in his first conference of this kind.
- We had a wonderful Inter House Music and Speech Competition last Friday in which every house rose to the challenge of the new format. Choral speaking items on the theme of "Judgement" were especially powerful, alongside excellent Instrumental ensemble arrangements. East House linked their performances with creative use of the drums and were just pipped by West House who won the trophy with their unforgettable rendition of "Fossils" and the Finale from "The Carnival of the Animals" arranged and directed by the talented Alex Yan (L6W).
- The Old Bancroftian biennial Careers Fair for U4 to U6 pupils and their parents was a great success. The feedback we have received has been hugely positive with many of the large number of pupils who attended commenting on how useful it was. Our students found the advice and information provided by the OBs both valuable and informative; for many of them it proved to be quite a watershed moment in helping them appreciate the range and diversity of careers open to them after leaving Bancroft's. There are also many misconceptions and myths that exist within the School regarding subject options and future, potential careers, the evening helped to dispel several of them. Our students benefitted enormously from the advice the OBs provided which will undoubtedly allow them to make informed and considered decisions in the future.
- We celebrated International Women's Day with a packed week of varied events. Students immersed themselves in activities to raise awareness about gender inequality issues around the world. The events ranged from a mixed gender football competition, to a film night to a careers fair. All fundraising went to support The Red Box Project which aims to tackle period poverty in schools. Thank you to the pupils and teachers who worked hard to make the week a huge success; it is hoped that this will become a fixture of our School year.

Calendar and Forthcoming Events

- *Taal* takes place on Friday and Saturday this week. Please note that all tickets for the Saturday night performance have already been sold; there will be some tickets available for purchase on the door on Friday.
- Our annual art exhibition at the View Gallery opens on Saturday 16 March. As well as canvases by our A level L6 and U6 artists, there will be a collaborative work by the Removes on show. Entry to The View, Rangers' Road, Chingford, E4 7QH is free and it is open Tuesdays to Sundays, from 10am to 5pm.
- We would like to welcome all parents and friends of the School to our second sports event which is taking place on Sunday 24 March at 2.00pm at West Grove, There will be a round-robin football tournament which will see the staff compete against a parents' team and an Old Bancroftians' team. At the same time, there will be a netball tournament also involving staff, parents and Old Bancroftians. The games will begin shortly after 2.00pm and there will be pizza bar on hand to provide refreshments all afternoon. We look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible.
- The first round of the German Spelling Bee competition takes place on Monday and Tuesday lunchtimes this week in Room 120. The top three students will make it through to the London Regional Final on the 25 March.

Monday 11 March

5.00-7.00pm Francis Bancroft Memorial Service

Tuesday 12 March

4.00pm *Taal* Rehearsal

Thursday 14 March

4.00-6.00pm

Taal Rehearsal

4.00-8.00pm

5th Form GCSE Drama tech run

Please note the Classical Society Quiz which appears in the printed Calendar has been postponed

Friday 15 March

Arrival of Spanish exchange partners from San Sebastián

Addition to the Calendar

L4 to The Big Bang (UK Young Scientists and Engineers Fair) NEC, Birmingham

Addition to the Calendar

P1&2

30 5th Form pupils taking the Physics Olympiad

Addition to the Calendar

P3-5

Fifth Form Additional Maths mock exam

1.30-4.30pm

5th Form GCSE Drama rehearsal

Addition to the Calendar

6.30pm

Taal performance

Saturday 16 March

Exhibition of Artwork by the Removes and A Level students until 28 March
(The View Gallery, Rangers' Road, E4 7QH)

5.30pm

Taal Dinner followed by

7.00pm

Taal performance

Sunday 17 March

10.00am – 6.00pm 5th Form GCSE drama rehearsal

Monday 18 March

8.25am-12.25pm 5th Form GCSE drama rehearsal

Change to the Calendar

7.00pm Drapers' Hall Concert, Throgmorton Avenue, London, EC2N 2DQ.

Tuesday 19 March

1030am-4.00pm HPV Dose 2 immunisations – Removes girls (A1/A2)

1.00-8.00pm Bancroft's Primary Science Fair (Great Hall)

4.00-6.00pm GCSE Drama exam

CCF Parade rehearsal

Wednesday 20 March

Am Fifth Form GCSE Geography fieldtrip

Thursday 21 March

Departure of Spanish exchange partners from San Sebastián

Addition to the Calendar

9.00am L6 deadline for U6th A Level subject choices and Additional Studies options (via HSMs)

9.00-11.45am U6th photos

12.30-1.00pm U6th group photo in the Quad

12.30-1.10pm Classical Society: The Punic Wars. A history of some of the most bloody wars between two of the greatest powers

4.00-8.30pm Cambridge Physics Lecture, Prof Malcolm Longair

5.30-7.00pm Private View for parents and staff of exhibition at The View Gallery, Rangers Road, Chingford

6.00-8.30pm Piano Masterclass

Friday 22 March

6.15pm West House Family Evening

Saturday 23 March

8.00am-5.00pm ABRSM Exams

Cambridge Science Fair

Sports Results and News

Hockey

The 1st XI were on the wrong end of extremely tight score-lines twice last week, losing 1-0 to Haberdashers' Aske's and 3-2 to Chigwell but playing excellently in both games. The 2nd XI, however, beat Habs 4-1, and the U15s dominated a triangular tournament with Habs and Chigwell.

The U14 As and Bs had a win and a loss respectively against Haberdashers' Aske's, but the team of the week were the U12As who cruised through the Essex Cup unbeaten and will now be representing Bancroft's in the East of England regional round on Thursday.

The U12s and U13s struggled with depleted squads against Felsted at the weekend but the U12s will have the chance to put that right this week.

Netball

The U13s played Haberdashers' Aske's Girls on Monday evening and secured 2 wins and 2 defeats.

There was some excellent netball on show for our Seniors against Forest on Wednesday and, although the 1st team lost, the 2nd and 3rd teams both won; a special mention goes to Eden Risby (5E) who played superbly for the 2nd team.

At the Kelsall tournament at Brentwood School on Thursday, the U15As came 3rd, narrowly missing out on the semi-finals by 2 goals, and the U15Bs came 7th.

Finally, on Saturday, our U12s and U14s hosted Chigwell with a majority of wins and an impressive performance by the U14A team which won 32-10.

Swimming

On Friday 8 March, Bancroft's was represented at this year's National Public School Swimming Relays (Bath Cup). With 70 girls' teams and 80 boys' teams competing, and with schools travelling from Northern Ireland, Scotland and England to compete, there were many of the country's top young talents in the pool.

Our boys' team of Thomas Liu (U6W), Oscar Saharoy (U6E), Zac Tiller (U6W), George Whalley (U6E) and William Bolitho (5W) put in excellent performances in their heats, improving on their times from last year.

The girls' team of Dora Zhou (U6W), Berfin Laursen (5W), Holly Timmis (U4E), Neha Pillai (L4W) and Kaitlin Lovell (RE) all swam personal bests in their heat of the 4 x 50m Freestyle Relay finishing in a time of 1.56.98, breaking the school record set at the same event four years ago by nearly 3 seconds. The girls progressed through to the final, which at this level of competition is a fantastic achievement. In the final the girls looked great, finishing 9th. Dora has represented the school since joining the Prep as an Alpha and her making the final in this her final year at school was very well deserved. The girls also set a new school record in the Medley Relay, (2.14.77) but missed out on the finals.

Sports Fixtures and Events

Hockey

Monday 11 March

4.30pm

U14A v Forest (A, E17 3PY)

4.30pm

U14B v Forest (H, Old Loughts)

Fixtures changed from Monday 4 March

Wednesday 13 March

2.30pm

Mixed 1st XI v Saffron Walden (H, Old Loughts)

4.30pm

U15A v Forest (A, E17 3PY)

Saturday 16 March

9.00am

U13A & B v Joyce Frankland Academy (A, CB11 3TR)

10.00am

U12A & B Chigwell triangular tournament (A, IG7 6QF)

10.45am

U15A v Watford Grammar (A, WD18 7JL)

10.45am

U14A v Watford Grammar (A, WD18 7JL)

Monday 18 March

7.00 for 7.30pm

Seniors' Hockey Dinner (Dining Hall)

Addition to the Calendar

Wednesday 20 March

2.30pm

2nd XI v Watford Grammar School (A, WD18 7JL)

4.30pm

U12A & B v Forest (A, E17 3PY)

4.30pm

U12C & D v Forest (H, Old Loughts)

Thursday 21 March

4.30pm

U13A & B v Forest (A, E17 3PY)

4.30pm

U13C & D v Forest (H, Old Loughts)

Netball**Monday 11 March**

4.30pm

U14 A, B, C & D, U15 A, B, C & D v Forest (H)

Tuesday 12 March

12.00pm

U14A King John School Tournament (A)

4.30pm

U12A, B, C & D v Forest (H)

Wednesday 13 March

1.00pm

U19A & B John Kelsall Tournament at Brentwood (A, CM15 8EE)

Thursday 14 March

2.30pm

U15A, B & C v Felsted (H)

Friday 15 March

2.15pm

U12A, B, C & D v Sevenoaks (A, TN13 1HU)

Saturday 16 March

9.30am

U13A & B v Dame Alice Owens (A, EN6 2DU)

Monday 18 March

1.40pm

Removes' Inter-house netball

4.00pm

U14-U15 netball tea

Tuesday 19 March

1.40pm

L4th Inter-house netball

4.30pm

U14A, B & C v Felsted (A, CM6 3LL)

Wednesday 20 March

1.40pm

Senior Inter-house netball

Senior netball tea

Thursday 21 March

1.40pm

U4th Inter-house netball

Friday 22 March

1.40pm

3rds Inter-house netball

Saturday 23 March

9.30am

U12A & B, U13A & B, U14A & B, U15A & B v North London Collegiate School (A, HA8 7RJ)

Sunday 24 March

2.00pm

Staff, parents and OBs netball tournament (West Grove)
Addition to the Calendar

Football

Wednesday 13 March

2.30pm

1st & 2nd XI v Highgate (Home, West Grove)

Wednesday 20 March

1st, 2nd & 3rd XIs v Merchant Taylor's (A, HA6 2HT)

Sunday 24 March

2.00pm

Staff, parents and OBs football tournament (West Grove)

Swimming

Thursday 21 March

4.30-7.00pm

Open swim-run event at Forest (A, E17 3PY)

Friday 22 March

9.00am-5.00pm

Thirds Inter-house swimming



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