

THE TCS Tribune

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SUMMER 2019

Dear Valued Parents, Carers and Members of the Community,



Welcome to the sixth edition of the *TCS Tribune*. This is our termly newsletter dedicated to sharing the activities of the students and staff in our wonderful school with our wider community. As usual, there is a plethora of material and there has had to be some judicious editing to fit everything in.

This has been another very busy and significant term. The emphasis of the summer term is around transitions. In particular, the eldest students in the school have sat their GCSE exams, demonstrating exceptional conduct and resilience; have had their leavers' assembly – a fitting farewell with music, speeches and awards and have attended their ball. The ball, once again, was one of my favourite events for the year

where I feel so fortunate and proud to be the Headteacher of such an incredible school with such wonderful students. As always, behaviour was exceptional, the students looked amazing and they managed to resist the temptation of the inflatables.

At the other end of the school age range, we have prepared for the transition of Year 6 students with a dedicated transition day and evening and a transition plus event for those requiring a little more support. These were well attended with 96% of parents stating that they were extremely happy with all aspects of the transition process.

We also welcomed Year 5 students across two days this term. The children engaged in a very exciting day of activities and finding out about Testbourne. Again, the evaluations were extremely positive with 100% of student scoring aspects of transition of 9 or 10 out of 10 and making positive comments about their enjoyable, useful and rewarding day. There are some quotes and photos on our website for you to enjoy.

There have been a huge number of events that you can read about in detail in this publication. Students have been involved in arts, performances, theatre, sports, science, enterprise and everything in between. One of Testbourne's great characteristics is the dedication of staff in leading the extra-curricular opportunities for the students. As I write, I am looking forward to our inaugural and prestigious Prize Giving Ceremony, our Festival of Sport and the Battlefields trip to name but a few. The term, and indeed the year, is full of rewarding experiences right up until the first few days of the holidays.

I should like to take this opportunity to thank our team of excellent support staff and teaching staff, without whom, none of the activities in this edition, or indeed learning in the classroom, could take place. Staff work tirelessly to give the best experiences possible to the children in our care. Please do join me in thanking staff if you get the opportunity.

I should also like to thank you, the supportive parents who help with events, support us in our work with your children and attend our events with such enthusiasm and good nature. You are the reason your children are so wonderful, and we are so fortunate to teach them.

J Beck

Mr J Beck, Headteacher



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DATES & CONTACTS FOR YOUR DIARY

SUMMER TERM

Last day of Summer Term:

Tuesday 23rd July 2019

*Testbourne will close at the normal time -
3:10pm*

AUTUMN TERM

All students return for new academic
year:

Thursday 5th September 2019

Wednesday 4th September is an INSET Day

HALF TERM

28th October - 1st November 2019

Last day of Autumn Term:

20th December 2019

INSET Days

Wednesday 4th September 2019

Friday 27th September 2019

USEFUL INFORMATION

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for telephone calls between 8:30am -
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Testbourne Community & Leisure News

Summer is a busy time of year for the Community Team with lots going on for the children and families of Whitchurch and surrounding areas.

The swimming pool is now open, and a timetable is available to download from our website or Facebook page and is displayed at the entrance to the pool. This is such a fantastic resource for the local community, and we've incorporated sessions to suit all; such as adult lane, inflatables and general swimming. We are currently working on a loyalty card scheme and hope to get these out mid-July.

A full summer programme of activities is now available too. We welcome our Open Access scheme which offers a range of fun filled activities from 10am – 3pm on set days throughout the summer. Our workshops have a theme and include crafts, sports, games and cooking and are for children aged 5 -12 years

Our special timetable of activities for families to enjoy together is also out now. With cookery, gardening, storytime and swimming there is something for everyone to enjoy! In addition, we have a trip to the excellent Millets Farm Centre near Abingdon and our National Play Day in August is sure to be a huge hit too!

Spaces are filling very fast for all our activities so do get in touch soon!

Please contact community@testbourne.school or visit and like Facebook/Testbourne Community & Learning to find out more about these activities and everything else that happens.

Ms C. Wright, Community Manager

Summer Fun

Testbourne Community School is providing fun and leisure for families and children all around! In our family fun program, the Community Office has especially organised fun, exciting trips such as the "Family Coach Trip". In this excellent day out we've organised it so that your family can have the time of their lives. You'll be going to places such as undercover beaches and a harvesting farm where you can choose what you'd like! We've also included a "National Play Day", this is where there are animal encounters, pop up play villages, giant games and more! Yet best of all, the entry is FREE! So make sure you apply as the places are being filled quickly! Please contact us at: community@testbourne.school or phone us at: 01256 892261 if you're interested! We hope to hear from you soon and give you a fun filled experience with your friends and loved ones!

Article by Year 10 Work Experience Student, Paige

TestFest 2019



TestFest 2019 attracted a great crowd to watch performances from an array of talented musicians, dancers and actors from Testbourne Community School. Over £1,100 was raised from the open-air mini Festival, organised by the PTFA, on Saturday 6th July.

TestFest opened with a stunning performance from the School's Concert Orchestra and Balalaika ensemble, who played an arrangement of the nation's favourite TV theme – Sherlock! The Balalaikas gave the piece an edgy and distinctive sound, resonating perfectly with the Eastern European influences of the original music written for Sherlock. The Orchestra then continued to play its own set before the Balalaika ensemble took to the stage, led by our Russian impresario and guitar legend, Adrian Zolotuhin. The ensemble played a great set of authentic Russian folk tunes, were suitably dressed in Russian attire (including a fur cap from the percussionist) and finished with the well-known Cossack song which involves traditional kicking of legs. All very energetic and crowd pleasing – despite the heat!



The afternoon also included musical performances from the Woodwind and Brass ensembles, playing an array of classics as well as themes from well-known musicals and films. Bella Voce choir also sang a medley of Disney songs as well as an Ed Sheeran classic and 'A Million Dreams' from the hit musical The Greatest Showman, all

in beautiful harmonies. GCSE Music students also performed a variety of music, from Muse to Billy Eilish, in bands, duets and solo acts.

TestFest has been going for five years and has given many students a platform to perform over the years, for example recent Testbourne leaver Eddie George debuted at TestFest and is now studying Music Performance at the prestigious Academy of Contemporary Music in London. Whether or not students are seeking a career in the music industry or not, performing in these ensembles to audiences helps to develop confidence and team work as well as develop qualities such as courage, responsibility, resilience and diligence through regular practice.



Testbourne Youth Theatre gave audiences an enticing excerpt from their recent work on a play they have devised called 'Silent Voices' which deals with issues around mental health. Performances from talented Year 8 and GCSE Dancers helped bring a different element to the Festival with some stunning performances.



The Art Department provided face painting, and the Science Department and prefects launched rockets with younger children. There was also a penalty shoot-out, plant sale, ice cream, popcorn, refreshments and a BBQ for the audience to enjoy throughout the afternoon. Wristbands helped give the event a festival vibe and the weather was perfect for lounging around in the sun – or shade from the trees in most cases! A huge thanks to all the PTFA members who organised the event with the Music Department and helped run stalls and

food outlets.

We are looking forward to the next one – Saturday 27th June 2020 – please save the date.



Leavers' Assembly

Friday 21st June provided us with the opportunity to say a fond farewell to all our Year 11 students, with their families and loved ones at the Leavers' Assembly 2019.

This was a very enjoyable ceremony with all students receiving a certificate of graduation and some prestigious awards; Holly Gilmour won the Headteachers award for achievement, Aiden Brown the Head of Year award for outstanding effort and Emily Watson the Governor's award for her contributions to charity and the wider community.

The event provided a final farewell after a gruelling exam period during which the Year 11 students all conducted themselves so well. Good luck moving forward in all that you do Year 11 and keep close all the memories you have made over your time at Testbourne.

Mr K Alderman, Head of Year 11



Year 11 Leavers' Ball

Wow, what a wonderful evening! On Friday 28th June, Year 11 celebrated finishing their exams and starting the next chapter in their lives. The Ball was held at Norton Park Hotel which provided a fantastic driveway for all the fancy cars, camper vans, tractors and even space hoppers to arrive along.

The event was glorious with our well-dressed students enjoying a fizzy mocktail on arrival, photos all night, a sweet stall and the traditional awards, dinner and dancing!

This was a lovely way to finish five years at Testbourne. For more photos please see our website.



TCS Prize Giving Ceremony



On 17th July we held our inaugural Prize Giving Ceremony in the stunning surroundings of the Guildhall, Winchester. It was a fantastic evening of celebration with over 145 students receiving awards in the company of staff, parents and guests.

Bella Voce provided high quality musical entertainment during the ceremony and they sounded exquisite in the superb acoustics of the Bapsy Hall. We were privileged to have Mrs Jean Thorpe, Secondary School Improvement Manager for Hampshire Inspection and Advisory Service, as our guest speaker. Jean gave a really thought-provoking speech which encouraged us all to be kind, try something new and act with integrity.

Students in each year group received awards for effort and achievement across all subjects. Our Heads of Year also presented awards to their year groups to recognise our learning qualities of courage, integrity, ambition, respect, leadership and responsibility. Senior Leadership Team Awards went to students who showed exemplary effort and behaviour, who were fantastic ambassadors for the school. Trophies were presented to recipients of the overall subject awards which recognised students who have shown exceptional dedication and commitment. We were fortunate to have sponsors, Mrs Philippa Roll, Director of Skills Shift Ltd, to present the Maths Award and Mrs Christine Beresford, Chair of Whitchurch Silk Mill Trust, to present the Technology Award.

The evening concluded with three very deserving recipients getting one of the special awards. Penny Horner, Chair of Governors, presented the Governors' Award to Aliya Briggs (Year 7), Mrs Penny Burt, Chair of the PTFA, presented the Community Award to Joe Baron (Year 10) and Mr Jon Beck presented the Headteacher's Award to Jack Lee-Smith (Year 10).

Congratulations to all our award winners and thank you to everyone who celebrated with us and made it such a successful evening. We are looking forward to Prize Giving 2020 already.

Thank you to our kind sponsors for supporting our awards; Access4Lofts North Hampshire Ltd, APG Cars, Create The Ripple, Fussey Piling, John Dollin Printing Services, Norton Park Hotel, Paperwork, Skills Shift Limited, University of Southampton, Vitacress Salads Ltd, Whitchurch Silk Mill. If your company would like to sponsor the awards next year, please do contact us.



New Intake Induction Day



On Wednesday 10th July we held our transition day for Year 6 students who will be joining us in September. This was in addition to two transition afternoons held for students to see Testbourne before joining us for a full day.

The Year 6 students travelled in for the start of the day, many of them getting on buses for the first time to go to school. We welcomed them at the school gates and they made their way into the Sports Hall to find out what their tutor group was – this was an exciting time, as they found out who their new tutor would be for September. After a short assembly they spent an hour in their new tutor groups, getting to know each other and learning about life at Secondary school, before having lessons in Science, Art and Geography. Our fantastic Year 10 prefects were supporting them all day and the Year 6 students feel more confident now about the transition to Secondary school in September.



In the evening, we welcomed the parents into school to listen to a talk by Mr Beck and two Year 7 students. They then met the tutors, and went to the Sports Hall for a 'marketplace' of stalls. These included information on lockers, the uniform samples from Skoolkit, information on PE kit and information on peripatetic music lessons. Head of Year 7, Ms Jenkins, was also available to answer any queries parents had. Also available was the Catering manager, Ms De Noia, the Librarian, Mrs Bates and

our Lead Teacher for SEND, Mrs Trotter.

Overall, the students and parents were very happy with the day and evening, and we are looking forward to welcoming our new students in September.



Year 5 Experience Days



We welcomed some very ambitious and courageous Year 5 students from local primary schools on both Wednesday 3rd and Thursday 4th July for our Year 5 experience days. On arrival, they assembled in the Theatre Hall and received a presentation, quiz and video about our school and learnt a song from 'The Greatest Showman' as well as finding out about our House system and school qualities (respect, integrity, courage, ambition, responsibility, diligence, leadership).

Each Year 5 day saw students experiencing a taster of Science, PE, Art and Music lessons at Testbourne and they got the opportunity to meet both staff and students. The theme was 'discovery' and they certainly discovered something new about Testbourne as well as learning new skills and knowledge by the end of each day. Each student also received a Testbourne bag and pen and even earned house points for demonstrating a learning quality in lessons (in the form of stickers).

From the feedback we received, we are confident that the Year 5s had a great time and our student helpers from Year 9 demonstrated both leadership and responsibility brilliantly well and did us proud. They were incredibly helpful, caring and supportive and the feedback from our Year 5s was excellent.

"I really enjoyed doing much more grown-up science and learnt lots about space and the planets in the solar system."

"I enjoyed playing human-tangle and meeting new teachers. I discovered new skills such as teamwork and collaboration."

"I enjoyed being able to make my own music using the iMacs and we learned about loads of things like the synthesiser, Theremin, whole tone scale and Moog."



Testbourne Eco Warriors

This year at Testbourne, the Eco Council has made some significant changes at the school and has gained many new members. We have made ourselves more prominent in the school by giving assemblies, running tutor competitions as well as introducing new ideas that affect all year groups.

Our initial aim was to introduce a more rigorous recycling scheme within the school, which resulted in teaming up with Radka Wigmore who is



the 'Champion' Terracycle representative for Whitchurch. We placed collection pockets in classrooms for teachers to collect used pens in. In just over six months, we have been able to recycle 10kg of pens, which is great for the environment as well as for local schools who benefit financially from recycling these sort of products. Next year, we hope to expand our Terracycle scheme by recycling crisp packets and empty cleaning products.

Another initiative we embarked on was introducing 4 green recycling bins to the playground, in the hope that students would only recycle plastic bottles to begin with. Sadly, this did not work particularly well because, despite our assemblies, students did not take on board the importance of not contaminating the plastic bottles with food items and other non recyclable material. We had the unpleasant task of trying to separate the bottles from the other waste and decided to take them out of circulation. Please help us by encouraging your children to use these bins for their intended purpose.

Upon realising the futility of recycling in the playground, we decided to try a different approach and launch a campaign to encourage students to not buy as many single use plastic bottles. Students expressed their annoyance that there were limited taps around the school to refill bottles. Therefore, we campaigned to get a new fountain installed in the playground. Next year, we hope to keep promoting the idea of reusing items such as plastic bottles, containers, forks etc. rather than students buying these items daily, to then throw away after only one use.

In the springtime, we planted wildflowers to encourage bio-diversity such as bees and butterflies. There was also a working bee to improve the courtyard which has been unused for a long time, allowing students to have a secluded, quiet green area to enjoy.

Lastly, we entered Hampshire County Council's 'Air Your Views', Air Quality Short Film Competition at the end of April, which aimed to make young people more aware of the damaging effects of air pollution. Ben in year 9 produced a fantastic video which although didn't receive first prize, was shortlisted and he was invited to attend an event to celebrate the success of the videos to support



the campaigns, which was attended by BBC presenter John Cuthill from 'Inside Out' show.



As a final message, we would like to thank Mrs Faulkner on behalf of everyone in the Eco Council for organising the meetings, letting us use her room and being so keen and passionate towards the environment. We look forward to welcoming Ms Brown as our new Eco Council leader next year.

“Cupcake Day” for The Alzheimer’s Society

A massive thank you to all the bakers, fakers, buyers and munchers who made Testbourne’s “Cupcake day” for The Alzheimer’s society such a success this year. We raised a phenomenal £127.93!

Our Bake off competition was judged blind by Mrs Gray. She had a very difficult decision on the day but she used the GCSE Food & Nutrition sensory analysis keywords to help her choose the winning entries.

The highly commended entries were awarded the following descriptors:

Rainbow chocolate cake:	Bubbly & Fattening
Gold Chocolate cupcakes:	Appetising & Expensive
Pride/Cookie monster:	Colourful & Coarse
Strawberry:	Fancy & Fresh
Ice-cream cones:	Bright & Attractive
Malteser:	Bright & Bubbly
Blue Mini:	Firm & Colourful
Gingerbread:	Crisp & Crumbly



The winning entry were the “Lemon meringue cupcakes” (Delicate & Fluffy) made by Mrs Tanner. Mrs Horner presented her with the official “Dementia Cupcake Day” apron. The apron and other official merchandise is available to buy on The Alzheimer’s society website. All proceeds go to fund the research and services which help people living with dementia and their families.

Mrs Horner, Art Teacher



Testbourne make Teen Tech Final!

Two teams made it through to the National Teen Tech Finals held at the IET London on Monday 24th June. Tyroponics (Mia, Elyse and Lauren in Year 10) and Horizon Smart Fleece (Martynas and Kian in Year 9 and 10 respectively) were chosen from hundreds of entries to compete in the National Finals.

On the day, the two teams had to create a stand and presentation to wow the judges into visualising their ideas for the future of farming and a self-heating fleece. Both teams were fantastic and did themselves and Testbourne proud.

Mrs Romain, Science Teacher



Gravity Lecture



On May the 14th we took a minibus to the University of Surrey for an evening public lecture given by Jim Al-Khalili, the president of the British Science Association, about the "Brief History of Gravity". Being a group of Teen-Tech students and Year 10s passionate about science, we all found the lecture very engaging, including the ingenious artwork from Jim's recent book (Gravity: A Ladybird Expert Book). All of us were interested in science, therefore found the trip very constructive. It was so popular, there were hardly any seats left in the lecture theatre! Some of my highlights were the black-hole CGI that were shown and the explanation of the equations which always baffle me a bit. Finally, I want to say a big thank you to the



science staff, who always manage to find trips that bring science to life, and give up their time to take us there!

Henry, Year 9 student

Arts Evening



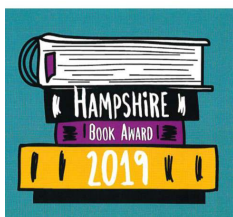
Art, Dance, Drama, Music and Photography all showcased fabulous work at this year's Arts Evening on Tuesday 16th July. A variety of skills and outstanding abilities were demonstrated by the students studying these different subjects.

"Excellent standard throughout"

"Beautiful artwork; so much talent"

"One word: wow!"

Hampshire Book Award 2019



Our HBA 2019 judges were a group of Year 8 students who recently took part in deciding the winner of this year's Hampshire Book Award. They had to read all six books on the shortlist, and on 3rd July we travelled to The Vyne School, Basingstoke to meet with other judging groups from the area. The shortlist was discussed and the votes were cast, and added to the other regional hubs, and the winner was announced as "Shell", by Paula Rawsthorne. This was considered a worthy winner by our team of judges, who will have a chance to meet Paula later this year.

Mrs E Bates, Librarian

Hampshire book awards 2019 was a great experience for me. We got to read 6 amazing books, each telling different stories from different genres. Talking with students from other schools helped build my confidence, as it meant talking to people I didn't necessarily know. When the results came in, it was cool to see that most of us had similar views and interests. All in all, it was a great day, and I would recommend it to any year 8 students next year.

Freya, Year 8 Student



Storyteller Visit

Acclaimed storyteller Michael O'Leary came in to lead a session with a group of Year 7 students on July 2nd. He shared tips on the craft of story telling, and kept the group enthralled with some of his own stories.

As he walked into the room, I could tell it was going to be fun. He had a cheery character when he wasn't telling stories but when he was, it was almost magical. Everyone listening was so immersed, it was as if the Ice Queen had turned them to stone. He talked about his childhood and how a shepherd had inspired him to tell stories. He also told us about how he picked up stories in the strangest of places, like a Women's Institute. He spoke with great energy and twinkles in his eyes. He was full of life which made him an amazing storyteller. Overall, I really enjoyed the visit.

Aidan, Year 7 Student



Meet the Authors

Kirsty Applebaum and Peter Bunzl

We welcomed Kirsty Applebaum, author of "The Middler", to Testbourne on 18th July. All Year 7 students had the opportunity to hear her talk about what



inspires her, from her favourite childhood books to the landscape she grew up in. She then involved students in creating the plot for a wild political dystopian story, after which they had the chance to get books personally signed.



We also had another exciting opportunity to meet an author thanks to Whitchurch Primary School. A group of Year 7 and 8 students visited WPS to meet the author Peter Bunzl on 6th June. Students heard about the inspiration behind his books and took part in a quiz involving some robotic dressing up!



Testbourne Youth Theatre - Moatfest

On Tuesday 25th June, Testbourne Youth Theatre gave the debut performance of 'Silent Voices' at 'Moatfest'; a drama festival held at the 'City of London Girl's School'. Sharing the day with a sixth form college, the students more than held their own displaying a performance of real maturity that impressed both staff and students from the other schools. The day was rounded off nicely with the pupils tucking in to a well earned pizza overlooking the Thames. The Testbourne community will have the chance to see this new performance on mental health issues when it is performed on Thursday 19th September in the Theatre Hall; more details on tickets to follow.



Mr J Carrington, *Head of Drama*



School Swimming Gala

The weather was perfect for this annual event. We had about 200 students coming out to compete this year both in serious races, including breaststroke, backstroke, front crawl and mixed relays, and some less serious races to add to the excitement. These included doggy paddle, a seal race and inflatable fish. Well done to all students who competed, we certainly had a lovely morning in the sunshine.

Final winners were Beech House and points were as follows: Beech - 189, Willow - 183, Ash - 161, Oak - 155



TCS students reach the Coding National Finals

On Monday 24th June, a team of five Year 7 students from Testbourne were selected to attend the finals of the prestigious National Open Schools Coding Competition at the University of Surrey in Guildford. Now in its third year, the finals saw over 30 schools from the UK to be judged as best app creator. This year's remit was for teams to create an app for their chosen charity. It was a jammed packed day with talks, competitions and the judging. Despite not winning, our Year 7s thoroughly enjoyed the day and gained great insight into potential careers/further education in the field of Computing and were inspired by the apps they saw at the competition. Congratulations to Tom, Jack, Adam, Michael and George for being excellent ambassadors for Testbourne School and the hard work throughout the year preparing their app.

Students, keep an eye out in the Autumn term for a chance to enter the next competition!

Mr Khawaja, Teacher of Computing and Business



Year 8 UKMT Junior Mathematics Challenge Results 2019

The Junior Mathematics Challenge is a popular mathematics competition with participants from schools across the UK. Forty students in Year 8 at Testbourne entered the competition and nationally over 300,000 students take part each year. Pupils with scores in the top 40% of participants are awarded bronze, silver and gold certificates in the ratio 3:2:1.

The Junior Mathematics Challenge is run by the United Kingdom Mathematics Trust (UKMT). It consists of a challenging and intriguing set of multiple-choice questions that are designed to stretch students and to stimulate an interest in mathematical problem solving. There are 25 multiple-choice questions that get progressively harder. Guessing the answers is discouraged as penalties for incorrect answers are given in certain sections of the challenge. The challenge has to be completed within one hour and it is sat in school under normal exam conditions.

The UKMT's aim is to advance the education of children and young people in mathematics. They organise national mathematics competitions and other mathematical enrichment activities for 11-18 year old UK school pupils.

A good proportion of those entered from Year 8 this year in May 2019 achieved the standard required for gold, silver or bronze awards.

A special mention goes to Ellis and Lena, whose scores qualified them for the Junior Kangaroo challenge.

Congratulations to them, and to all who participated.



**United Kingdom
Mathematics Trust**

Ellis	Taylor	Gold - Best in School (joint best)	Jasmine	Clarke	Bronze
Lena	Hadley	Gold - Best in School (joint best)	Noah	Howell Griffiths	Bronze
Michael	Jenkins	Gold	Zac	Allen	Bronze
Reuben	Fisher	Gold	William	Benke	Bronze
Reece	Inker	Silver	Oscar	Gatfield	Bronze
Benjamin	Hearn	Silver	Wong	Xia	Bronze
Isabel	Baron	Silver	Samantha	Snagg	Bronze
Ben	Thomson	Silver	Lucy	Burd	Bronze
Ruben	Oakton	Silver	Jude	Sapleton	Bronze
Isabelle	Daborn	Silver	Matthew	Benke	Bronze
Aimee	Green	Silver	Grace	Hickman	Bronze
Harry	Oram	Silver			
Amy	Bilton	Silver			
Rosemary	Turner	Silver			

Superstars!

County Superstars Final



After winning the area Superstars event we were asked to represent the Basingstoke and District area for the county finals. We turned up on a wet day to find out that all events would luckily be inside and swimming was first!

We made a strong start in the pool and then let ourselves down in the skills card game whereby we knew we needed to be better at communication to have performed better. Then on to all the individual events which included fitness station, curling, rowing, sprinting, cycling and skills shot. We found we fared really well in the curling whereby a lot of the team managed to hit the 50 points bullseye!

At the end we all knew we had competed to our very best and were very happy when we found out we had lots of podium placings, had won the whole event and were county champions!!!!!!

Well done to the whole team on representing the school so well.

Mrs E. Vallance, P.E. Teacher

Athletics Roundup

At the year 9 and 10 championships back in May the following students qualified for Hampshire Schools and their performances are listed:

Amelia - 2nd in Long Jump 5.31m
Arran - 4th Long Jump 5.15m
Jordan - 2nd Triple Jump 12.18m / 1st 100m 11.10 sec
Josh - 4th in 800m heat 2.29min
James - 4th in Discus 24.78m

At this event both Amelia (Long Jump) and Jordan (100m) achieved the qualification for English School Athletics which this year are in Birmingham on 12/13th July (see our Twitter feed for results).

At the Hampshire Schools Multi-Events championships, also back in May, Amelia came 3rd and Arran 1st. Both qualified to represent Hampshire at the Southern Regionals.

At the year 7 and 8 Athletics Championships at the end of June the following students qualified to represent the Andover district at the Hampshire Championships:

Rosie - 150m
Daniel - High Jump
Beau - 1500m

Individual Sporting Achievements

Congratulations to the following students:

Carys (year 10)

Selected for Hampshire Rugby Squad

Jodie (year 9)

Finished 2nd at the National Archery Championships

Lottie (year 7)

Selected for Hampshire Cricket Squad

Jack (year 9)

Selected for Berkshire Hockey Squad

Don't forget to let us know about your great achievements, sporting or otherwise, outside school!

District Cricket Champions!

Congratulations to the Year 7 and 8 boys cricket team who won the Andover District Cricket Tournament on 2nd July.

Cadet National Clay Shooting Competition

Congratulations to Gavin Herbert who was part of the team representing Hampshire & IOW at the Cadet National Clay Shooting Competition on 21st-23rd June. The 'A' team won the flush outright beating the CCF and placed very high in the combined results overall. Gavin was part of the 'A' team and received a gold medal for his efforts.



Congratulations, Ruby! National Youth Theatre



Congratulations go to our Year 11 student, Ruby, who has gained a place with the National Youth Theatre, following auditions with 6,000 other hopefuls nationally. Ruby received 1 of the 500 places available in just over 40 venues throughout the UK and will now remain a member of NYT until she is 26. She can then audition for any of their productions put on at major theatres & get help, advice & guidance from industry professionals. Famous actors who started their careers in NYT include Dame Helen Mirren, Daniel Craig, Orlando Bloom, Catherine Tate, Hugh Bonneville and Matt Smith.

When Ruby was in Year 8, she played 'Jane' in a UK touring production of Mary Poppins and has also played several roles in amateur productions, including 'Summer Hathaway' in our very own production of School of Rock! Congratulations Ruby and we hope to see you in a National Youth Theatre production, in the near future!



Testbourne PTFA News



This year we have helped to organise a Christmas Fair, Fun Run, Ceilidh and TestFest, raising vital funds for the school. We are focusing on raising money for the changing rooms which are used by the pupils and wider community and are in desperate need of a makeover.

We have set the date for some events for next year already:

- **AGM** - Thursday 10th October 2019 at 7.30pm in the school library.

Anyone interested in joining the committee or coming along to help at events is very welcome.

- **Christmas Fair** - Saturday 30th November 2019 from 11am - 3pm.
- **TestFest** - Saturday 27th June 2020.



We will be organising more events during the year. Do let us know if you have any great fundraising ideas.

100 CLUB

If you are unable to actively help on the committee then please consider taking part in the 100 club. There are 100 places in the club and each member is assigned a number from 1-100. Each participant pays £4 per month by standing order which entitles them to be entered into the monthly draw, where two numbers are picked.

The 1st Prize is £100 and the 2nd Prize is £50.

The remaining funds raised go towards the fundraising projects for the school.

If you are interested in joining the '100 Club', please email us for further details at ptfatreasurer@testbourne.school.

New members will be given a choice of the numbers remaining.

The draw takes place at the end of each month, or near to it as possible.

Winning numbers will be posted on the PTFA Facebook page and the school website.

We hope you will join us at one of our events or at a meeting.



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