Bury in Bloom Greene King Green Fingers Awards

On Tuesday 3rd October, Vanessa Lyons and Rowan Steggles went to the Athenaeum to represent the school Gardening Club at the Bury in Bloom Greene King Green Fingers Awards, where they were awarded with the Bronze Award! On arrival there was a reception with food (the chocolate chip cookies were very popular!) followed by the presentations.

Last year the gardening club met on a Tuesday and Thursday and worked hard digging and planting, they grew plants and vegetables, some more successfully than others! Some students dipped in and out and some helped water every day.

This year Gardening club takes place on a Tuesday and Thursday, and we already have some keen gardeners attending but there's always room for more!

Going for Silver next year!

Mrs Reeman

Year 10 Notice

Congratulations to Year 10 who have made an excellent start to key stage 4. I was really proud of the students who attended Duke of Edinburgh last weekend, they showed resilience , determination, and kindness to one another. I look forward to seeing you all at the Year 10 information evening on the 10^{th} of October at 7.00 pm

Mrs Wray

Sixth Form Open Evening

Tuesday 17th October 2023 18:30 - 20:00

No booking required, please come along to find out more about our outstanding sixth form.

Idiom of the week- German

Da kannst du Gift drauf nehmen

Literal Translation - You can put poison on that!

English Meaning - You can bet your life on it!

This following German idiom doesn't sound very friendly, but it means that something is a sure thing. I find it amusing that poison in German is Gift.

MFL Department

Year 10 Art Trip

Our 48, Year 10 Art and Textiles Students visited Cambridge Museums' this week to make studies for their first project of the year on the theme of 'Structures'.

We enjoyed being inspired by a range of amazing creatures from 'pangolins' to the' praying mantas' in the Zoology Museum followed by an exploration of fossils, a *Megarachne* and dinosaur bones in the Sedgewick Museum.

A short walk in the sunshine to the Botanical Gardens enabled us to take in the atmosphere of the city and work up an appetite! The final stop at the Botanical Gardens enabled students to explore the amazing glasshouse structures containing tropical plants, cacti and alpine flora and fauna.

All the students worked with care on their drawings and gathered fantastic photos and research that they can use to develop their own 3D structures and prints over the coming months.

Thank you Year 10, an excellent start to the course and a great trip.

Ms Chacksfield





Drawings made in the Zoology museum by Darien Almojuela

Sketchbook page of observational studies by Alicja Jagodzik





Duke of Edinburgh Qualifying Expeditions 2023

On the weekend of 30th September we had the pleasure of taking 67 Bronze and 18 Silver, Duke of Edinburgh students on their qualifying expeditions. Both Bronze and Silver walked from Centre Parcs to Two-mile Bottom and camped overnight, they cooked for themselves making some impressive meals on their trangias. The following morning, they broke camp with the Bronze group walking to their end point at Lynford Arboretum and the Silver group continuing their expedition to Thorpe Woodlands, where they again set up camp and, despite walking for two days, took part in an energetic game of rounders! The following day they walked to their end point at Euston where they were picked up by the minibus.

All the groups did amazingly well to cope with route changes, blisters and sore shoulders! Despite the large number of students, they organised themselves well and were always polite and good humoured. We were blessed with the weather and grateful to the staff who gave up their weekend to supervise groups.

The training for Bronze and Silver 2023-24 will start after October half term, a letter inviting students to enrol will be sent to parents

Mrs Reeman



Breast Cancer awareness month Mr Turner is running the London Marathon for Breast Cancer Now!

October is Breast cancer awareness month. This is a chance to spread the word about signs and symptoms of primary and secondary breast cancer and show support for people who have been affected by this. For more information on what's going on in October and how to get involved please visit the



Breast Cancer Now website.

https://breastcancernow.org/if? gclid=EAlalQobChMlyfytqPXhgQMVtQDmCh2ukQiYEAAY ASAAEgJJpvD BwE

Mr Turner is running the London Marathon in April 2024 in support of Breast Cancer Now. If you would like to support him and this fantastic charity, his fundraising page is below. Good Luck to Mr Turner and all the other staff taking part in the London Marathon in 2024.



https://2024tcslondonmarathon.enthuse.com/pf/benturner04

Year 10 Netball Matches

The Year 10 Netball team travelled to Castle Manor last night and won both of their matches! 5-0 vs Stowupland and 8-0 vs Castle Manor. The team have been working hard with Mrs Smart throughout the past year, and this was shown in their gameplay. Some excellent shooting from Isabel Basham and Eva Torfinn. Players player from Castle Manor was given to Faith Hawes, so congratulations to you, especially on your first netball match competing for the school! The girls have some more matches coming up after half term, so good luck in those!

Mrs Wright



U14 Boys West Suffolk Cup

St Benedict's 2 - 0 Newmarket Academy

On Wednesday 5th October, the year 9 boys had their first football fixture of the year. It was in the first round of the West Suffolk Cup against Newmarket Academy. The first half was dominated by Bennies, scoring early on through a great run and finish by Jakub Mrozik. The rest of the half saw Bennies have numerous chances on goal but were just unable to find the net. We finished the half with a goal from Cam Tilly, using great footwork to take it round the keeper, but unfortunately the goal was overruled for offside. Second half saw Newmarket gain more possession as they grew into the game. Bennies had to defend well to deal with the pressure put on from New-

market. Bennies then hit some second wind towards the end of the half, as they started creating chances again. Some excellent wing play by Monty Bailey, saw Marcel Wiewiora gain a chance just inside the box, which he finished first time into the roof of the net. The game finished 2 - 0 to Bennies. The boys played fantastically well! We now move into the quarter final of the West Suffolk Cup!

Mr Bates

Y10 Girls Cross Country Results

Please accept my apologies, as unfortunately by mistake I didn't include the Y10 Girls results in the article about the Inter House Cross Country Championships.

Eva Torfinn (10A) ran a super race to finish in 16.12. Violette Davy (10L) and Ciara Evans (10A) were stride to stride throughout most of the 3,600m course, but Violette just got the better of Ciara in the home straight with only a second between them. Daisy Constant (10L) and Faith Hawes (10A) also had a good battle for 5th and 6th places with Daisy finishing in 23.02 and Faith in 23.11. Emma Jacobs (10C), Erin Boyd 910L) and Molly Crisp (10A) also ran strongly to finish in the top ten places. The teams race positions were as follows:

1st Nursia, 2nd Monte Casino and 3rd Subiaco.

Mr Murphy