



NEWS & VIEWS

Be the best you can be.

Executive Headteacher: Mr Jamie Foster

Headteacher's Comment:

As we look forward to 'Aspirations Week' it was with a real sense of pride that I was part of the Sports Awards evening on Tuesday. Hundreds of pupils received their certificate for commitment to their sport and trophies were awarded to 'Player of the Year' in each discipline. Although the school has remarkably achieved three national finals this year, including the U15 girls' Nationals' runners up on Monday, 'Team of the Year' went to the Girls Trampoline team that were crowned National Champions 23/24.

In my closing remarks at the Awards Evening, I commented about the importance of feeling part of the school community and how extracurricular activities often provide the platform to develop the wider skills and character for future success. I know I would not be in my position had it not been for my involvement and influences in sport as a young person. I would encourage everyone to keep taking opportunities to find their 'passion' to support them to succeed in the future.

Finally, further outstanding achievements were showcased in the annual St Martin's Art exhibition that was simply stunning. The talent at the school takes my breath away every day and we should be very proud of our young people.

This weeks' Headteachers gallery goes to Ava Jackson in Year 7, for her achievement in coming second and third in the Royal Norfolk County Show. Well done Ava!



Year 12 Trip to Devon

The week beginning the 1 July, our Year 12 Geography class travelled down to Devon for the week to carry out fieldwork and research to use for our eventual A-Level Coursework; comprising 20% of our overall grade! On arriving at Plymouth station, the day commenced with the FSC Slapton Ley Coordinator showing the students around Plymouth City Centre to indicate where the final data would be collected.

The second day consisted of travelling to Beesands, where the students walked along the beach to look at the coastal defences and to gather information to decide what area to spend on the last day of our trip.

On the last day, the students independently gathered data within their groups, either in Plymouth City Centre or Beesands (all was located just along the coast from their accommodation). After the data was collected, the students arrived back to the centre to check the data and ensure they were ready to start their final project writeups. Report by Blaydon Stuart & Flinn Charleston



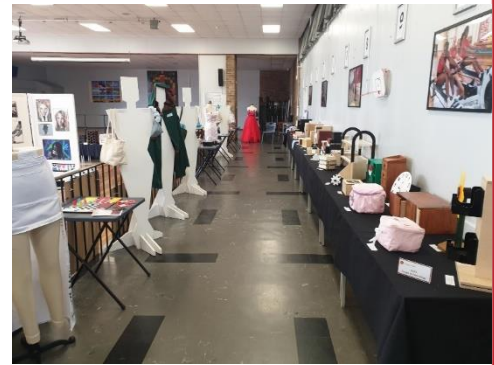
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★ The Art & DT Exhibition

On Wednesday this week DT and Art held their exhibition to display the work produced by our students. It was a great evening hosted by the Art & DT departments, celebrating the excellent work created for GCSE and A Level by our Year 11 and Year 13 students.

It was an inspiring evening with each piece displayed for everyone to enjoy. The food students provided canapes whilst the Year 12 music students performed alongside the show. It was a fantastic event and we are proud to share the amazing work created by our students.



★ Young Sporting Stars Honoured at Awards Evening

The achievements of our young sporting stars were recognised at our annual Lower School Sports Awards evening this week. The PE department enjoyed another exceptional sporting year and proud families watched as over 400 pupils were honoured in the presentations.

During the evening, each pupil received a certificate listing the sports (in which) they had been involved in throughout the year. The second half of the night featured over 60 trophies being awarded to pupils who achieved 'Player of the Year' status.



The most committed pupils in each year group were also honoured with a special award. In Year 7, Isabelle Holmes and Freddie Maskell were recognised. In Year 8, the awards went to Evie Cross and Wikto Berkowicz. The Year 9 recipients were Daisy Willingale and Adam Sewell.

In addition, The Freddie Felton Memorial Trophy was presented for overall contribution to Rugby. This very special accolade went to Ralph Phillips. We also presented three Young Helper prizes to Favour Oyegbola, Isabel Connor and Marcia Edwards.

Team of the year went to our U14 Elite Trampoline team who were crowned National Champions back in March. To finish the evening, two Lower School Overall Contribution Awards were given to the pupils who we feel have made the most significant impact in physical education and sport over the past three years. The worthy winners were Emmie Lole and Daniel Fadiora.



Dates for the Diary

16.07.24 - 19.07.24	Aspirations Week
17.07.24 -	Year 8 Author Visit
	Post 16 British Library Trip
18.07.24 -	Year 11 Prom
19.07.24 -	SMS House Games Day

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