

No. 7

16 October 2009

Open Evening

Thank you to all those who helped at last night's Open Evening. To support the staff and governors, there were a huge number of students and our visitors were rightly impressed by you. Well done!

Open Morning

This is from 9 am until 11 am on **Tuesday (20th October)** and is for prospective parents, not our own parents. It is aimed at those prospective parents who have pre-booked to see the school working normally and in the daylight.

The Autumn Concert

A final reminder that this will take place on **Wednesday 21st October at 7.30 pm in the school hall**. Tickets are available from reception price £5.00 (£2.50 concessions). All are welcome to what will be an excellent celebration of the work of all our main ensembles.

Charity 2009

Students have voted for the choice of charities for 2009:

- **St Nicholas Hospice (Their 25th anniversary Year)**
- **East Anglia Children's Hospice**

- **Malaria No More (Devoted to ensuring Malaria becomes a disease of the past)**
- **Children With Leukaemia Research (Inspired by the walk past CUS by Ian Botham)**
- **Sense (Supporting those who are Deaf /Blind)**

All the selected charities have links in some way to students, parents or staff currently in our community. Our charity team and Sixth Form will be working hard to raise money to support all of these. We thank you in anticipation of your support.

Non-Uniform Day

Our first event for the new charity team is also the first of this year's non-uniform days. It will be held on **Thursday 22nd October**. Tutor group representatives will collect the minimum contribution of **£1** during next week and all the contributions will go to Charity 2009. Students are reminded that they should dress appropriately for school with **no bare shoulders or midriffs** and that **it is a normal working day**.

Students will also be receiving details of the **2009 Charity tops** which are being sold to raise funds. Orders will only be accepted with payment.

Pre Christmas Craft Fayre

A reminder that this popular event is being held this year on **Sunday 15th November from 10 am to 3 pm**. We shall be asking parents to support the PTA by sending in tombola prizes and/or cakes for this event and, of course, by attending and letting friends, family and work colleagues know that the Fayre is back with a variety of stalls with suitable gifts for Christmas.

Year Group News

Years 9 and 10

- Next week is **mathematics test week** for all groups.
- All parents in years nine and ten should receive through the post next week an invitation to attend the **post-interim consultation** with their child. These will commence on **Friday 6th November** and run until **Friday 13th November**.

Year 11

- An early reminder that the **post 16 evening** is on **Thursday 19th November** between 7 and 9 pm. Students will be issued with the sixth form brochure in advance of the evening.
- **MFL students:** Please bring back any orders for Language Revision Guides by **your return from work experience**.

Fixtures

19.10.09
U16A Football v Mildenhall (a)

20.10.09
U14B Football v Newmarket (a)
U16 mixed Western Area Team Table Tennis Tournament (a)

21.10.09
U14A Football v Mildenhall (a)
U18A Football v Mildenhall (h)
U14/U16 Netball v Stowmarket (a)

“The County Courier” and “The Accolade”

“The County Courier” will be published next Thursday to cover the week immediately after half term. The October edition of “The Accolade” will also be sent home next Thursday, the last working day of the month.

“Bon Voyage”

We wish the **2009 Japan group** and those leaving for the **Battlefields tour** next Thursday, as well as those departing for the **Art/History trip to Paris** on Friday successful, worthwhile journeys.

Half Term

School closes for half term **next Thursday** and resumes on **Monday 2nd November**.