



Westbourne Sports College Newsletter



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Key Dates

- 25th-29th October—Half Term

Linguists of the Month

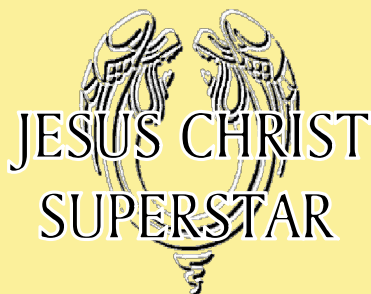
Our Linguists of the Month of September were:-

- Olid Miah, Year 7
- Nargis Hoque Year 8
- Samantha Kemp Year 9.

Congratulations and well done!

PLAYERS REQUIRED

for years 10 and 11 rugby starting next term.
Please see Mr Hibbert.



The Drama Department are putting on Jesus Christ Superstar on 7th, 8th and 9th December. Cost £5 adults £3.50 children and concessions

Tickets on sale from after half term at lunchtime to students - outside student services to members of the public from the front office.

OFSTED REPORT

WESTBOURNE AN IMPROVING SCHOOL AMBITIOUS TO GO FURTHER

As I am sure you know we were inspected by Ofsted at the start of this month, and I am pleased to share their report with you.

Their full report can be found on our website at www.westbourne.suffolk.sch.uk.

The Inspectors said we are an improving school and that the improvements being brought about by well-thought-out strategies that are having a positive impact on provision and, in turn, on outcomes for students.

We have seen record exam results year on year, and have nearly doubled the number of students achieving 5 top grade GCSE in recent years, and I am especially pleased to see how the report emphasises the qualities of our students.

The Inspectors were very impressed with the behaviour of our students and their awareness of the value of diverse cultures and of moral, spiritual and social issues.

I am also pleased to report that we received good grades for all areas that concerned the health, welfare and safety of our students and the way it works with parents and other partners. The inspectors reported that “students were enthusiastic in their praise for the school’s good care, guidance and support, and that students were well known as individuals.”

“I was particularly pleased that students felt “that bullying incidents were rare and they are confident that there is always a member of staff to talk to should the need arise.”

We knew even before the inspectors arrived that the best overall grade they could give was satisfactory, because the new Ofsted framework makes it virtually impossible for schools who do not reach national average in raw results to get the top two grades.

The school’s results have improved significantly since the last inspection, but our overall grade has changed from good to satisfactory. Previous inspections were based more on how students progressed; now raw results are the main factor. However inspectors acknowledged that a recent rapid improvement in results is taking us very close to national averages, and they felt, like us, we are moving towards being a very good school in the next year.

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Year 9 Football

Match Report by Louis Godden & Ben Powley

Y9 Boys v Thurleston HS (National Cup 2nd Round)

Date Played : Thursday 7th October 2010

Full Time Result : 3 - 1



Westbourne's year 9 team went out looking for their first win in two years against Thurleston. Straight from the start, an eager Thurleston turned in a free kick. The bell had gone and around 20 or 30 Westbourne students came out to show their support. It worked because not soon after, Luke Fayers scored a blinder in the top corner on the counter attack and Westbourne were level.

After the break, Westbourne looked more comfortable and started attacking. After around 15 minutes, Lewis Playford scored and Westbourne were in front. Thurleston got frustrated and kept on the attack and Westbourne looked nervy. Yet with 3 minutes to go, after some linesman's decisions had stopped him before, Lewis Playford got his 2nd goal of the game and Westbourne's 3rd. Westbourne had won!

Westbourne are now through to the 3rd round of the National Cup, playing Holywells HS away on Tuesday 19th October, kick off 4pm. Well done to all the team and congratulations to Lewis Playford, for winning Man of the Match.

Team List:

Alex West, Louis Godden, Ben Powley, Ben Couszins, Gavin Coyne, Adrian Gilson, Lewis Playford (2), Luke Fayers (1), Jacob Powlett, Craig Marsh, Brandon Pooley, Jerelle Farrell, Jordan Williams, Sam Lockwood, Bradley Simpson



We are now recruiting Year 10 students who would be interested in joining the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme at Westbourne.

The concept of the DofE is simple – anyone aged between 14 and 24 can do a programme at one of three progressive levels which, when successfully completed, lead to a Bronze, Silver or Gold Duke of Edinburgh's Award. There are four sections at Bronze and Silver level and five at Gold.

With assistance from adult Leaders, participants select and set objectives in each of the following areas:

Volunteering: undertaking service to individuals or the community.

Physical: improving in an area of sport, dance or fitness activities.

Skills: developing practical and social skills and personal interests.

Expedition: planning, training for and completion of an adventurous journey in the UK or abroad.

At Bronze level, each section must be done for a minimum period of time. It must be monitored and then assessed by someone with knowledge of that particular activity to achieve an Award.

For further information and an application form please see Mr Foreman or Mr Wilmot or www.dofe.org



Dance Talent

Katie Walden (Year 10) has been identified as having exceptional talent/potential in dance and is currently studying at DanceEast Academy. Below is a quote from DanceEast:-



'Katie Walden is in her third year of training with the DanceEast Academy – a Centre for Advanced Training in dance which prepares young dancers for professional training. Katie was identified at audition as having great potential in dance and is in receipt of a Government grant to fund her training. She has worked extremely hard since she started with us and has shown great improvement year on year. Katie has a boundless energy which makes her a great example in terms of her commitment and work ethic and we look forward to working with her again on performance projects later this year which will allow her to showcase her skills on stage. Since starting with the Academy Katie has performed at the New Wolsey Theatre and Jerwood DanceHouse in Ipswich, and the Robin Howard Theatre and Bonnie Bird Theatre in London.'

Congratulations and well done Katie—we are all very proud of you.



Fantasy Football

Top 5 students in WSC league:-

Robert Miller	288
Reece Sleightholme	275
Jordon Loose	258
Charlie Gilbert	255
Thomas Winder	253

Top Teacher:-

Mr Ismay	248
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It's not too late to join in, please go to the link below and join the Westbourne league.

<http://fantasy.premierleague.com/M/fb.mc...>

Romanian Shoe Box Appeal

During PAL lessons students have been studying Romania. This year we have introduced the Romania Shoebox Appeal. This appeal provides Romanian families with a shoebox full of presents and useful items. If you are able to support the appeal by donating items or complete shoeboxes we would be most grateful.

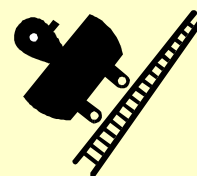
Please see letter sent home with students 8th October for further details on what items can be included.

We need all shoeboxes or donations by 2nd November 2010.

Many thanks, Ms P Hoar

Thorpe Park – this time its business!

In the summer term we took nearly 300 students to Thorpe Park as a reward for their good attendance, behaviour and performance in class. Last week Mrs Everett and Mr Baxter took 50 Business Studies students to the same venue, this time to learn about how such a large organisation constructs its business plan. As a bonus the students also learnt about the science of rollercoasters.



October Training Days

Whilst pupils enjoyed an extended weekend from the 14th to the 18th staff were working hard on their two training days. Numerous sessions were organised for the staff depending on their position and role in the school. Some staff updated their first aid qualifications, whilst others received high level specialist training in improving teaching and learning. Improving our knowledge of the computer systems that control our data and understanding how to use that data effectively also featured, as well as improving our understanding of conflict resolution skills.

Training days can be an imposition on parents but they are also vital in ensuring that the staff develop their skills and understanding. Thank you for your support over this issue, it is greatly appreciated. For your information the final two training days are scheduled on the following dates:- 4th January 2011 and 26th April 2011.

Open Evening

Having had to postpone our original Open Evening due to the OFSTED inspection we were a little nervous about whether our new date of Wednesday 13th would reach our prospective parents. We need not have worried, as around 350 guests turned up to explore the school, watch our displays and talk with our pupils and staff. It is always good to celebrate the best of Westbourne, and meet our new prospective students and their families, but the aspect that gives us great pride is seeing our own students helping on the night, leading guided tours, supporting staff in their departments or helping with the organisation of the evening.

Comments from potential students and their parents were very positive including the following email received:-

'I would like to thank for the two fantastic guides, Mitchell Baker year11 and Kieran Bell year 7, during the open evening. We enjoyed the evening and they did an excellent job showing us around and explained everything to us. My son was very excited about Westbourne!'

If your son or daughter helped, thank you for allowing them to help us – they made us very proud.

Lost Property

We have a huge amount of hoodies, jackets and other items of clothing in our Lost Property left over from Summer Term.

If you son/daughter has had an item confiscated or lost please ask them to see Mrs Herd in Student Services.

Anything that has not been claimed by the end of term (17th December 2010) will be donated to a local charity shop.



Sporting News

Our Y10 boys football team are through to the 2nd round of the National Cup having beaten Stowupland HS 5 - 2 at home recently. Two goals from Barzan Mohammed, two from Kyle Hammond and one from Ryan Pennock. Well done to them and the rest of the team which included DJ Driver, Rhys Hall, Connor Grimwood, Curtis Pryke, Jordan Castaldo, Jordan Bell, Josh Dixon, Daniel Sorrell, Ennes Ozbek, Charlie Gilbert and Hayden Copping. They play King Edward VI School next.

Our Y11 boys football team are also through to the 2nd round of the County Cup having beaten Kesgrave HS 8 - 2 away on 23rd September. They must next play either Stoke or St Albans in the 2nd round. Well done to Jake Lally, Tom Wood, Jake Ward, Joe Thompson, Jonathan Fryatt, Euban Cattermole, Shqipdon Osmani, Kieron Lally, Ryan Vince, Zack West, Matthew Hayward, Scott Gordon and Taku Nyakupinda.

Unfortunately our Y11 boys were not as fortunate in the Knock Cup and National Cup after losing against Holbrook and Thurston respectively on penalties.

Our year 10/11 girls football team put on a very encouraging display in their first ever game together in the Suffolk Cup against Stoke HS. Whilst they did not win the match, they should be praised for their effort and attitude. Well done to Kacie Moll, Terri Neal, Chelsea Wardley, Tia Norris, Carmen Collins, Ashleigh Trenter, Katie Walden, Michaela Hills, Tasha Abbott, Fay Handebeaux, Amelia Osman and Chenelle Clarke.



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Healthy, Active Lifestyle Clubs

A reminder that Sports Hall activities are on offer at lunchtimes to all students starting with year 7 on Mondays, year 8 on Tuesdays, year 9 on Wednesdays, year 10 on Thursdays and year 11 on Fridays. Starting at 1.15pm until 1.45pm.

Our fully equipped, state of the art Fitness Suite is also available at lunchtime every day for years 9 to 11 girls on Mondays & Thursdays, years 9 to 11 boys on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Further details to be found on school noticeboards.

Football Celebrations

Our year 7 boys football team are through to the 3rd Round of the National Cup following a forfeit by Thetford Academy and will play at Kings Lynn next. Well done to our Y8 boys football team who beat Gt Cornard Middle School 5 - 0 and who are through to 3rd Round of the National Cup, playing Claydon HS next.

Our year 9 boys got through to the 3rd Round of that National Cup but sadly lost 0 - 2 against Holywells HS.

Our year 10 boys are playing King Edward VI at home on 20th October in the 2nd Round of that National Cup and are through to the 2nd Round of the Suffolk 'John Turner' Cup having won via walkover and will play Farlingaye HS next term.

Our Y11 boys are through to the 2nd Round of County Cup, to play St Albans HS on Thursday 21st October.

Fixtures

Wed 20 Oct - Y10 boys v King Edward VI at home

Thu 21 Oct - Y11 boys v St Albans HS at home

Tue 2 Nov - Y9 boys v East Bergholt HS at home

Mon 8 Nov - Y7 girls netball v Farlingaye HS away, 3.45pm

Thu 11 Nov - Y7 girls netball v East Bergholt at home, 3.45pm

To be arranged, Y8 boys at home v Claydon HS

To be arranged, Y7 boys away at Kings Lynn (3rd Round National Cup)

To be arranged, Y7 boys home v Stoke HS (1st Round Knock Out Cup)

To be arranged, Y10 boys v Farlingaye HS (2nd Round Suffolk Cup)

Language Olympics

We entered the school for the European Language Olympics for the first time this year and were delighted by the enthusiasm shown by those pupils who took part.

The results are as follows:

Final Statistics for Westbourne Sports College

Total Questions Answered: 58128 questions

Total No. Points Scored: 19287 points

School Ranking: 67 overall out of 122 schools

Total Hours Spent Competing: 204 hours

Gold Medallists: 2

Silver Medallists: 0

Bronze Medallists: 2

Credit Certificates: 9

Questions Answered in Each Language: French:

40449, Spanish: 14213, Japanese: 1532, Italian:

1018, German: 620, Chinese: 225, Indonesian: 63,

Latin: 8,

Final Results were:-

1	Alice	Startup	3331	gold
2	Bronte	Brunsdon	3102	gold
3	Zeinab	faris	1676	bronze
4	Nargis	Hoque	1083	bronze
5	Andrei	Seymour-Howell	798	credit
6	Hannah	Vivas	676	credit
7	Marc	Horrex	651	credit
8	Liz	Thurlow	604	credit
9	Georgia	Laughlin	590	credit
10	Lily	Nunn	573	credit
11	Ifath	Rahman	551	credit
12	Rana	Ahmed	550	credit
13	James	Startup	499	credit

