

## From the Headteacher

**Thanks** to all those who came along to the BSA AGM last week. It was a delight to see a demonstration from the Inclusive Zone Basketball team and for some parents and staff to have the opportunity to try out the sports wheelchairs bought via the BSA. We also saw the science telescope purchased with BSA funds. The funds raised by the BSA have increased significantly in the past year, partly due to parents committing to a standing order gift aid donation. Please do consider giving this way if you can't give of your time.

**This** issue is full of outstanding reports including huge successes in PE in national and county finals. Many congratulations to all involved. We were also delighted to welcome the Mayor to Beaumont once again and thank her for all she has done to support young people in St Albans.

**Our** congratulations to Mr Atkinson, Deputy Head, on his award of NPQH (National Professional Qualification for Headteacher). Our very best wishes also to Mrs Hosegood as she starts her maternity leave.

**Thank** you for your continued support especially during the external exam season.

Elizabeth Hitch

**Rob's festival**  
Beaumont school  
Saturday 23 June 2012  
2pm - 8pm

An event held to commemorate Rob Williams to raise money for the Prince's Trust Charity and BSA.

Prince's Trust

Come along and enjoy a day of music, dance, sport and much more entertainment!

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The June Calendar is on page 12 of this edition of Beaumont Life

Beaumont welcomes comments from parents/carers and families about any aspect of school life.  
Please contact us via our email [admin@beaumont.herts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@beaumont.herts.sch.uk)

**BSA NEWS**  
**ROB'S FESTIVAL 2012**  
**SATURDAY 23 JUNE 2PM - 8PM**  
**PLEASE PUT THIS DATE IN YOUR DIARY**  
**AND SUPPORT OUR THIRD ANNUAL SPORTS AND MUSIC FESTIVAL.**  
[www.facebook.com/robsfestival2012](http://www.facebook.com/robsfestival2012)



**WHAT'S ON?**

- Bands and Dance Troupes
- Stalls and Activities run by the School Houses
- Raffle, Tombola, Games
- Sumo Wrestling, Bouncy Castle
- BBQ
- Hog Roast
- Licensed Bar and Soft Drinks
- Sweets, Cakes, Teas and Coffees



**AND MORE!!!**

**From 12 midday to 2pm**

**Entertainment 2-8pm**

*Dance Troupes  
Beaumont Student Bands  
St Albans Rock Choir  
Emily Capell  
Straw Bear  
Problem Solved  
The Unarmed  
The Scratch*

- 500 members of Rock Choirs of Hertfordshire sing at 12 noon as part of a World Record Attempt by Rock Choirs around the whole country!
- The Rob's Sports Event takes place - 5-a-side Football including teams of school staff

**Let's see if we can beat last year's fundraising total of £13,500  
(shared between The Prince's Trust and the BSA)**

**TICKETS** will be available through School:  
£10 for adults, £5 for students (11-18), Under 11's free

**Parents and Guardians - The BSA NEED YOUR HELP on the day!**

**Please** consider volunteering for one or more time slots shown opposite:  
please circle as applicable and return to Reception,  
or if you prefer you can download a copy of the reply slip from the  
BSA page on the Beaumont School website

[http://www.beaumontschool.com/about\\_us/bsa.php](http://www.beaumontschool.com/about_us/bsa.php)

Alternatively, drop an email to [bsa@beaumont.herts.sch.uk](mailto:bsa@beaumont.herts.sch.uk)

Thank you!

**Parents who help for one or more of these time slots  
get a discounted half price ticket!**

*If you, or your company, are able to support this fundraising event by providing donations in the form of equipment; catering supplies eg paper cups, plates; beer, wine, soft drinks; raffle prizes; marquees/gazebos; or a monetary donation then we would be delighted to hear from you. Please contact us at [bsa@beaumont.herts.sch.uk](mailto:bsa@beaumont.herts.sch.uk)*

*Thank you.*

# ROB'S FESTIVAL 2012

## I CAN HELP!

Please consider volunteering for one or more time slots below: please circle the session time(s) you can do and return to Reception as soon as possible or email [bsa@beaumont.herts.sch.uk](mailto:bsa@beaumont.herts.sch.uk) Thank you!

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ CHILD \_\_\_\_\_

FORM \_\_\_\_\_

Contact (phone and email): \_\_\_\_\_

I can help with the following sessions (circle the time)

SET UP: 8-10am      10-12noon

GATE: 11am-12pm   12-1pm   1-2pm   2-3pm   3-4pm   4-5pm   5-6pm   6-7pm   7-8pm

BBQ: 11am-1pm      1-3pm                      3-5pm                      5-7.30pm

BAR: 11am-1pm      1-3pm                      3-5pm                      5-8pm

SOFT DRINKS AND TEA/COFFEE      11am-1pm      1-3pm                      3-5pm                      5-8pm

CLEAR-UP: 7-9pm



### Charity Art Fair – in aid of Dorothy House Hospice, Bath



Mrs Lynsey Lloyd (Textiles teacher) is organising a Charity Art Fair, hosted by Beaumont school, on Friday 6 and Saturday 7 July to raise money for the Dorothy House Hospice in Bath where her father was cared for last November when he was very ill with cancer.

With the help of colleagues and friends in the Technology and Art departments, Mrs Lloyd is putting on this event which will give people the opportunity to purchase a wide range of arts and crafts pieces, all donated by friends, family and staff. Items range from oil paintings, photographs, art textiles and prints to handmade jewellery, cards, cushions and jewellery boxes. Prices will all be very reasonable, entrance is free, and all proceeds will go to Dorothy House Hospice. Refreshments will be provided by Mrs Johnston, Head of Food Technology.

Mrs Lloyd is organising the Fair in order to give something back to the Hospice. All proceeds will be donated to the Dorothy House which she says “gives an outstanding quality of care to the terminally ill, and to whom I will be forever grateful for the love and care they provided to my Dad during his battle with cancer.”

**Friday 6 July, 7-10pm**  
**Saturday 7 July, 10am – 4pm**  
**Technology foyer, Beaumont School**  
**Please come!**



## Focus on.....

# The PE Department

## Inclusive Zone Basketball



**On** Tuesday 15 May the Beaumont Inclusive Zone Basketball team travelled to Stoke on Trent to take part in the national tournament after cruising through the regional round. The opposition looked tough as we were the youngest team involved in an Under 18s competition.

**Our** first game proved to be the toughest as we had not yet found our rhythm and we were up against the reigning champions. Unfortunately we lost this fixture but we came out of it happy as we defended superbly and the opposition's coach congratulated us for a well-fought game.

**We** went on to lose one other group stage game to the eventual winner by one basket but comfortably won our third game by 10 points. After a great effort during the group stages we managed to get to the semi-final; again we were up against the South-West team who boasted an U18 B player. After a well fought game they managed to topple us by four points.

**After** this we went into our third place playoff full of confidence and it showed as we won comfortably to confirm third place.

**It** was a great effort from: Liam Baskett (c) Jacob Bockenbauer, Will Moroney, Zach West, Jacob West, Jack Norman, Olivia Almond, Morgan Jeggo.

**Finally**, many thanks to Mr Willsher and Mr Jump for organising everything and being great coaches.

**Will Moroney and Zach West 8R**

## Under 16 Squad reach second consecutive National Final

**After** travelling to Nottingham on Friday 11 May, we arrived at the Wildcats Arena to compete in our second National Final in two years. We met our quarter-final opponents from last year, Holy Trinity School, in this year's semi final and started extremely well. We went 12 - 6 up after the first quarter and extended this lead by two at half time. A strong third quarter, where our defence was a lot more positive and aggressive, saw us win it 19 - 12, giving us a 46 - 31 lead going into the last quarter. We played smart in the last quarter, conserving energy for the final, and held our opponents at arm's length, winning 52 - 40. Kieran top scored with 21 points, Jamie hit 14 points and Aidan 9. Jack, Ben and particularly Josh played some great defence and everyone contributed well to the win.



**It** was great to see Tayo Oyefusi, (our former senior captain and National Finalist) at the finals and he helped coach the boys throughout the day. It was also good to have parental support, which certainly helped the squad in both games.

**Our** final was a real clash of styles with Greig Academy, Hackney playing a fast break and aggressive man to man defensive system. We played a more controlled team based offence and help defence, where we would back up the man marking the player with the ball. We started well and were only three down after the first quarter and although we stayed in touch and were only four down at half time, we had missed a number of inside shots which could have given us a lead. Kieran had an outstanding game, scoring an impressive 44 points (average 32 points for the season) also hitting three three point shots and would have been MVP in the final if we had managed to overturn this eight point deficit. We worked extremely hard in the fourth and won it by two points. This however meant a six point loss, no disgrace against a very strong Academy team. It was a great performance and the result only hinged on very small margins and on another day we may well have come out on top.

**The** Under 16 boys squad have been tremendous over their whole time at Beaumont, winning a District Championships, two County Cups, runners up in one, a National Championships and Runners Up in this year's Nationals, They also remained unbeaten for almost two seasons, winning 29 straight games. The boys were obviously disappointed to lose in the final but when they look back at their record over the last couple of years they should be extremely proud of what they have achieved. Well done to all of the boys who played this year, you have been a credit to Beaumont.

**Squad:** Kieron Gastaldi Davis ©, Aidan Gastaldi Davis, Jamie Moroney, Josh Smithers, Max Robson, Jack Nevin, Ben Hackwood, Luke Hazlehurst.

**Mr Stewart**

You can now follow the PE Department



**@BeaumontPE**

on Twitter for updates for fixtures, results, notices, lesson resources and general info!

Information is also posted on our blog:

[www.beaumontschoolpe.blog](http://www.beaumontschoolpe.blog)  
[spot.co.uk](http://spot.co.uk)



## Recent Sporting Achievements



**Congratulations** to Year 8 Libe Fadrique who was selected to play in the Herts A team in the recent East Regional Hockey tournament; the Team was unbeaten – well done Libe!

**Congratulations** to Year 8 diver Emily Saunders who recently took part in the National Skills Final in the UK. This involved diving from 1m and 3m (apparently this involved some somersaults). Emily was competing against everyone in the UK having qualified in all the regional finals. She was the youngest out of approximately 30 competitors and she came 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Well** done to Harriet Finlay who took part in the National Schools Cross Country Championships for the Hertfordshire Senior Girls Team recently in Somerset. The Hertfordshire Senior Girls team came 17th. Harriet had a very good race – finishing 103rd out of 307 runners. She was also the second Hertfordshire finisher – and was delighted with this after starting seventh in the “pen”.

**Adam Jones** of 10S has been named St Albans Hockey club young player of the year. Many congratulations to him.

**Jess Beton** of 8N has been selected to represent Team England, as part of her dance school, at the Dance World Cup. She will be performing in Austria at the end of June. She has been selected to perform as part of her tap quartet, her song and dance trio and in a number of modern dance groups.

## Year 7/8 Girls County Cup Final v STAGS 2 May

**Having** beaten Simon Balle in the Semi-Finals, our final was against local school STAGS. We thought we were in with a good chance but we also knew that STAGS had already beaten Queens (to whom we narrowly lost out in the 6-a-side tournament in November) so it could be a very close match.

**The** match was a very fast-moving game with play being fairly equal for much of the first half. Our defence was very strong and prevented their talented centre forward from getting shots on goal. We had many more shots on goal than STAGS and some great goalkeeping by their keeper prevented us taking the lead until just over half way through the first half when brilliant passing skills from the team gave Kristal the opportunity to strike. Goal!!! The team continued to play with even greater enthusiasm after that.

**In** the second half, we started strongly but there were a few crunching tackles where Beaumont “came off worse” meaning several rolling substitutions had to be made. Mr Sievwright was a brilliant “First Aider” and soon we had our players back on the pitch! Both teams continued to play fantastic football and the game was very tight.

**Towards** the end of the second half, one of our players surged into the box with a good chance on goal and was fouled by one of their defenders. Penalty!!! Everyone turned to me to take the penalty but were very reassuring and said “it didn’t matter if I missed” which made me feel better! Fortunately I struck the ball really well and it rocketed into the goal. We were 2-0 up!

**Our** supporters were really encouraging throughout the match and let out a great cheer when the final whistle went. We had won the Wix Shield!! (And another clean sheet for Morgan!)

**We** were presented with medals and an enormous Shield by the District Co-ordinator for the Herts Schools FA. He was very complimentary about both teams and said how much he had enjoyed watching such a high standard game.

**We** have had a great season. Thank you to Mr Willsher for training us during the season and for taking us to all the matches. Thank you to all the parents and staff who came to watch and to Mr Sievwright who helped us train before the match and dealt with all the casualties during the Final!

**Squad:** Morgan Jeggo (GK), Anna Biggs, Olivia Almond (Match Captain), Steph King, Molly Rogan, Mhairi Pennifer, Robyn Reardon, Kate Chamberlain, Juliette Angel, Adi Milton, Kristal Clarke, Lili Brown.



**Olivia Almond**

## Girls Rugby

The Year 8 girls rugby team was crowned Regional Champions on Saturday 28 April when they played the U13 contact final at Richmond College. An enthusiastic team led by Holly Brando showed off their excellent tackling and passing skills with a win against Helenswood School! The Hertfordshire champions booked their place at the Girls National Showcase as the winners of the northern regional tournament at Bishop Stortford. The girls were thrilled to have the opportunity to play in the final and the squad should be very proud of winning both the county and regional tournaments. It was definitely a day to remember!

Miss Dolan



We had an early start, arriving at school at eight o'clock; we were tired and nervous about the day ahead but after lots of funny chats and slightly out of tune singing on the coach our spirits were high, despite the bad weather.

When we arrived we started to warm up and play a few games on the field while waiting for the other teams to arrive. We always kept a good lookout for the teams that we thought we were going to have to play. After being trained by members of the England women's rugby team and doing other various activities we were warmed up and ready to play in the finals. We were all scared, but ready to do our best. We lost the toss so the other team started with the ball, but with a great tackle from Anna and good passing between the girls we scored our first try. As the game went on, we scored more and more whilst not allowing the other team score any. With everyone subbing on and off the pitch we all took part in the game; we all tackled, passed and communicated well and there was good tackling from Libe, Becca, Leah, Maisie and Esme and some quick hands from Laura and Emily. Tries were scored by Ellie Hackwood, Georgina Bagge, Olivia Almond, Olivia Scrimgeour, Anna Biggs and I. The final score was 35-0 to Beaumont and we were thrilled!

After celebrating and collecting our medals we got changed and headed over to Twickenham. When we arrived we all had a great lunch. We then went to the rugby museum and shop. Some of us bought different souvenirs to remind of the great day we had. We got our tickets and headed into the stands to watch the main event, 'Army v Navy', which was a great game. We picked up a lot of game tips and had a fantastic day, but we did see a little more than we should have...

We'd like to give a BIG thank you to Mr Panting who trained and supported us, Miss Dolan who has been with us since our first ever match and Miss Moody who came along to support us on the day.

Holly Brando

## Beaumont PE Department – Sports Awards Evening 2012 – Wednesday 27 June

This year's Annual Sports Awards Evening will once again be an opportunity for the school to recognise the outstanding contribution that many Beaumont pupils make to school sport. The evening will also provide an opportunity to reflect on yet another year of outstanding achievement resulting in several National successes.

Invitation letters are first being issued to those pupils who have received nominations from the PE department for winter sport activities. Summer sport nomination letters will be sent out after half term.

This year the evening will also provide the opportunity for all attendees, and the rest of the school, to get their hands on some outstanding lots from the Sports Awards 2012 Auction. Items include a holiday for up to four in Spain, a first team signed Arsenal FC shirt and a signed Saracens RFC shirt.

Details of how to bid for all items listed within the Auction will be coming out to all parents within the next week or so. Make sure you don't miss out!!!

Mr Jump

## A Message from Maths

After half term it will be the Mathematics' Department policy not to lend out any equipment. All students must ensure that they come equipped every lesson with the following items: pen, pencil, ruler, protractor, compass, and a scientific calculator. All of these items are available to buy from the Maths Department.

If any student has any difficulty in acquiring any of these items then they should come and see me.

Mr K Smith, Head of Maths



# The Biology Department

## Biology – The study of living things

**Those** of you who have lessons in room 47 may have noticed our resident Biology pets this year. We have three Giant African Land Snails. They are fed largely on a diet of cucumber. They also have some cuttlefish bone which provides the raw materials needed to make their shells. We got them in October when they were around 20mm though they are now considerably larger and could get as big as 200mm if we keep feeding them!!



## Gifted and Talented Science Club

**Since** September Mrs Lofthouse and Dr Jones have been running an after school club for students identified as Gifted in Science. The idea was to try and extend opportunities for students that may sit outside of the curriculum. It has involved master classes run by teachers at school in areas such as Science in the Media and Crime Scene Investigations. We have also been lucky enough to have guest speakers talking about a range of topics from satellites to cancer. We would like to thank Dr E Brown and Dr A Stagg who have children at the school and kindly gave up their time to come and talk to the group about their particular field of expertise.

**During** the last term students have undertaken their own projects ranging from 'Investigating the amount of Vitamin C in fresh Orange Juice' to 'Which antibacterial cleaner is really the most effective at killing bacteria', and 'Which coating on marble chips will protect the structure from Acid Rain'.

**If** there are any other parents out there who would be willing to share their knowledge or talk about their field of work, whatever the science background, then please contact the school. Your input would be appreciated and the students would benefit from the range of experiences that give them a greater insight in to the world of science.

Mrs Lofthouse

**At** the beginning of the year we started attending the Gifted and Talented Science club. We discussed a variety of science issues in the news, learnt about forensic science and were lucky enough to have visits from guest speakers. After Christmas we started working towards getting our bronze CREST award. This involved choosing and planning a project and each working on it for a minimum of 10 hours. We chose to investigate how the Vitamin C level in oranges changes over time. We enjoyed doing our project as we were able to use techniques that we hadn't learnt about in lessons, such as titration. It was a great opportunity to learn about how scientific research is carried out. Thanks to the help of Dr Jones, Mrs Lofthouse and our sixth form captains we were able to successfully complete our project and will hopefully be receiving our award soon.

Sioned Armstrong, Louise Timmins,  
Bethan Llewelyn Year 11

## From one of our Biology captains

**Studying** Biology A Level we learn about a large variety of things concerning our own anatomy and the world around us. From the syllabus I have become more aware of the importance of maintaining good health to a much larger extent than I knew before, and a more in depth knowledge of biochemistry. In our lessons, we do several practical experiments which enhance our understanding of the content itself and I have found this very useful as well as enjoyable. Issues surrounding ideas such as evolution and natural selection have become topics of discussion amongst the two classes and I always look forward to Biology lessons.

Steph Wallis



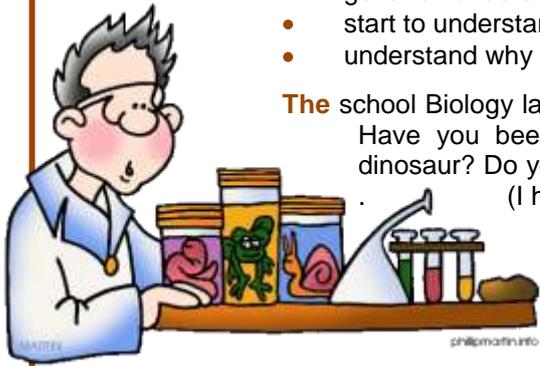
**When** some ancient seer decided that education was a good thing I am sure that they had Biology on their mind. It must be one of the most 'top banana' subjects ever in school.

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Where else can you

- learn how your body works
- get a full understanding of our wider biological effects on the planet
- start to understand why our body goes wrong and gets ill
- understand why we are unique through having some insight into genetics



The school Biology labs are like a world within a world – something akin to an Aladdin's cave. Have you been amazed by the giant snails, seen the talking penguin and talking dinosaur? Do you know who Ellie is? Have you swum in the Biology pond with the newts (I hope not)?

I have been lucky to have taught this fantastic subject for 35 years. As our understanding and technology improve the insight given into this subject becomes ever more mind-blowing. Hooray for Biology. Long may it live.

Mr Whyman

## Year 10 Question Time with the Mayor of St Albans

**Councillor** Lee joined Year 10 students at one of their weekly Assemblies to answer questions covering topics ranging from the state of St Albans High Street, stereotyping of young people and the implications of libraries closing, to what the role of Mayor involves on a day to day basis, whether she felt she had to be 'better' at her job because she was a woman, and why she had originally wanted to be Mayor

The students worked on their questions as part of the 'Skills for Success' initiative introduced recently - a programme designed by teaching staff to further develop independent learning skills in students throughout the school. Year 10 students undertook an 'Ask Quality Questions' project where they were given some information on the Mayor's responsibilities in St Albans. Each student's task was then to devise a Quality Question for the Mayor, and the winning one from each form was then selected for the 'Question Time' based event

**Councillor** Lee was welcomed by Mrs Hitch, then joined the 180 Year 10 students to face her questioners. She thanked the students and their teachers for the opportunity to come to Beaumont and reminded them that they were privileged to be at such a lovely school. Councillor Lee answered the students' questions in a thoughtful, honest and open manner and kept them interested and engaged for the whole session. She talked enthusiastically and passionately about the St Albans district, the people who live and work here, and her role as Mayor and gave the students a fascinating insight into the issues they had raised. She also encouraged them to believe that they had a voice in local affairs and should contact their District Councillors if they had any ideas about what the Council could be doing for the youth of the District.



## Music News

The Vocal Ensemble will be singing at the Alban Arena on Saturday 30 June. They are joining Adoramus, a large Christian ecumenical choir and orchestra for a Jubilee Concert. Tickets from Alban Arena priced £14, £18, £22.



## Textiles News

Year 8 worked very hard last term in Textiles to create a range of waistcoats and then presented them as a sales campaign.

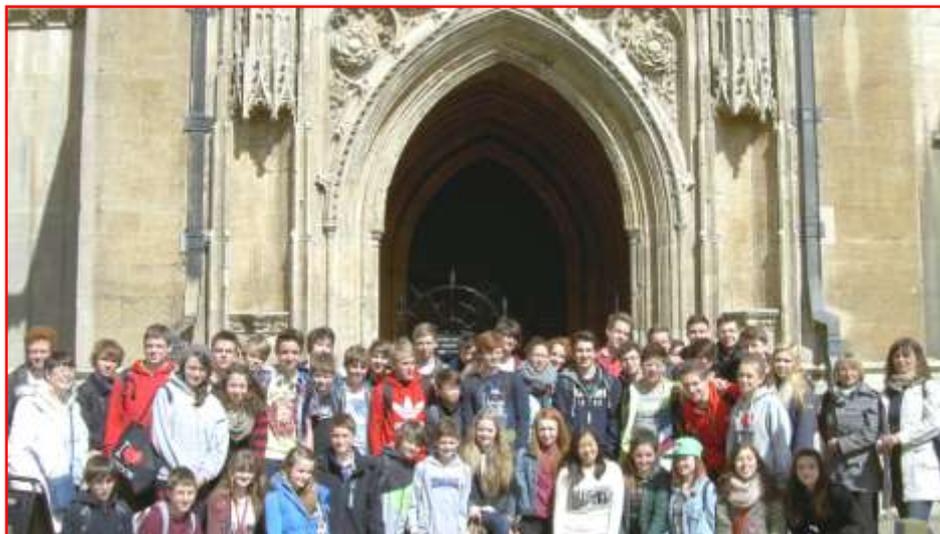
**Congratulations** must go to the winning group for Punk/Hippy waistcoats. The group was from 8R: Morgan Jeggo, Matthew Ellis, Monica Bulut and Molly Rogan. They presented a very well organised and lively campaign and some stunning waistcoats. Well done from Miss Crompton.



## The German Exchange: Hans-Purrmann Gymnasium students come to Beaumont: 16 – 24 April 2012

**The** Exchange students arrived on Monday 16 April and on Tuesday they joined us in our school lessons until lunchtime, when they went off into St Albans for the rest of the day to visit Verulamium Park and the Roman museum.

**On** Wednesday morning we all went to the Town Hall, where we had the opportunity to speak with the Mayor and the Macebearer. After the visit to the Town Hall, the Exchange students departed for London where they visited many of the iconic places such as Buckingham Palace and The Houses of Parliament. On Thursday the students spent the whole day in Brighton where they were able to go on the beach and go on a tour of Brighton Pavilion.



The Exchange group and the German partners outside Kings College Chapel in Cambridge.

**On** the Friday they spent another day in London, where they went shopping and visited more London monuments. In the evening on Friday, they were able to see 'Billy Elliot'.

**We** also enjoyed a day altogether with our partners in Cambridge. They were all very impressed with Kings College chapel and two of the Germans gave excellent presentations about the colleges and student life in Cambridge.

**Edward Anders 9S**

**I** hosted an Exchange partner and really enjoyed it. On Saturday, we went on a tour of Wembley Football Stadium! Enzo was interested in seeing Wembley, not because it is a football stadium but because it also hosts huge concerts! It was very exciting because it was the first time we had all been there! After the tour, we went to St Albans city centre to show the Germans what the city looked like and what shops it had.

**On** Sunday I had to play football so my mum took Enzo to see Stanley Kubrick's house. Enzo is a huge fan of his films and could not believe that Kubrick lived so close to here! In the afternoon we went Go-Karting! That was really good, and I also think it was the first time the Germans had ever been Go-Karting, so they had a lot of fun.

**Overall** it was a great weekend and although I was tired by the end, I enjoyed being able to take part in the Exchange very much.

**Jacob Ponte 9S**



99 people, including Exchange partners, parents and staff attended the Farewell meal!

**On** the evening of Monday 23 April all of the English and German pupils, our parents and a number of staff met at the Old Albanians Club House. We all had an excellent meal and reflected over the wonderful week we had had with our German Exchange partners. We chatted about which were our favourite days, what we did at the weekend and many other things.

**Towards** the end of the evening all the German partners stood in a line and said a few words to their family to thank them for the week they had spent. My Exchange partner Gideon said "Thank you for the wonderful week I have had," and "I love your dog!" After all of the Germans had spoken, we chatted some more before gradually heading home. It was a great way to end the Exchange.

**Edward Etheridge 9R**

I have learnt a lot from the German Exchange, and have many new memories of my time in Speyer and from when our partners visited St Albans. I definitely improved my German speaking skills and have a greater understanding of the language in general. However, I have not only gained more accuracy with my German, but also a new friend whom I will be visiting again in the summer. I now have more confidence in my speaking just from holding a simple conversation with my Exchange partner, Eric, and I have learned lots of extra useful vocabulary.

**The** Exchange is an interesting experience, and one which is also great fun. It should not be missed by anyone! I strongly urge everyone to try it, because it will improve your speaking and give you the opportunity to meet new people and make some great friends.

**Joshua Howell 9R**

## Curriculum Enrichment Day Food Technology Department

**Today** we made chocolates! For the first part of the day we watched how people in factories work and how collaborating makes a difference. We learnt about batch production then set off to make the chocolate. **Dara, 7E**

**At** the beginning of the day Mr Polding demonstrated to us that you work better in a team, not by yourself. Then we brain-stormed different chocolates; my team thought of 103. **Juliette, 7E**

**At** the start of the day Mr Polding gave us a brilliant presentation featuring Mucky Matilda, who taught us that we should be hygienic. **Ella, 7L**

**CED** day was brilliant. We learned loads. We were set different jobs to do. If you didn't do your job properly you would get a P45 which is the sack. **Thomas, 7E**



### The Chocolate Truffles recipe

1 batch – makes approximately 24 truffles

**1 can (400g)  
200g  
50g  
100g  
5ml**

**Condensed milk  
Rich tea biscuits  
Cocoa  
Desiccated coconut  
Vanilla essence**

#### Method

- Place the biscuits in a food processor. Crush these into fine crumbs (approximately 20-30 seconds). If you do not have a food processor, place these in a plastic bag or saucepan and bash with the end of a rolling pin or potato masher.
- In a mixing bowl, add to the biscuit crumbs:
  - All of the condensed milk
  - 25g cocoa (leave 25g to one side for stage 4)
  - 75g desiccated coconut (leave 25g to one side for stage 4)
  - 5 ml vanilla essence
- Stir with a spatula until thoroughly combined.
- Spoon the mixture into approximately 15g portions (1 heaped teaspoon), roll between your palms to make a spherical shape. If you have damp hands, this helps with the rolling.
- Roll each truffle in coconut or cocoa powder (alternatively – sugar strands, chopped nuts or hundreds and thousands can be used).
- Chill the truffles in the fridge for approximately one hour to set into shape.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO JO MAHER AND VISTA WHO HAVE  
WON THE MAYOR'S PRIDE AWARD FOR  
'Community Oriented Business of the Year 2012'**



**FLEETVILLE PARTNERSHIP COMMUNITY NEWS**

Vista will be offering support services for children, young people, parents, families and schools in the St Albans community. We will be developing new services over the next two years and we value your thoughts and comments. Do feel free to contact Jo Maher at any time on **01727 855134 Option 2** or **07939 111152**.

**SOME GOOD NEWS!**

**Vista has been awarded 'Community Oriented Business of the Year' in the Mayors Pride Awards! Thank you to all who have supported us – the team is very proud!**

**SCHOOL FAMILY WORKER**

Beaumont has a dedicated School Family Worker **Sarah Ellis** who can help you with supporting your child/ren. She can be contacted direct or through school. **sarah.ellis@fleetvillejm.herts.sch.uk 07557 354620**

**PARENT SUPPORT**

We offer individual support as well as a variety of information and guidance to services. We will be offering courses and workshops over the next two years. Call Jo Maher for further information on 01727 855134 Option 2

**MARSHALSWICK YOUTH PROJECT – Drop-In for Young People in Years 7, 8 and 9**

Wednesdays in the Park Drop-in for young people every Wednesday from 3.30-5.30pm at the Alban Way and Marshalswick Childrens' Centre facility in Sherwood Park, Sherwood Avenue, Marshalswick. FREE Entry and FREE Refreshments. Contact: **youthwork@ymcacentralherts.org.uk**

**Dealing with Your Pre-Teen and Transition – Thursdays, 14 June - 5 July 2012, 7.30-9.30pm**

A four week course to help you understand what may lie ahead in the teenage years! Run by Parent Centred Support and Vista at Marshalswick Alban Way Childrens Centre, Sherwood Avenue, AL4. Cost £15.00 per person. for the course. To book call 07557 361246 or 07939 111152 .

**Understanding Self Harm Workshop – Wednesday 20 June – 7.30-9.30pm**

This workshop looks at issues surrounding self harm. Held at Fleetville Junior School, 228 Hatfield Road, St Albans, AL1 4LW. Cost £5.00 per person payable to secure a booking – call 07557 361246 or 07939 111152 .

**Self Esteem and Your Teenage Girl Workshop – Monday 2 July - 7.30-9.30pm**

Explore how you can raise self esteem and confidence in your teenage daughter. Run by Parent Centred Support and Vista. Cost £5.00 per person for the course. To book call 07557 361246 or 07939 111152 .

**Sexual Health and Personal Safety Workshop – Wednesday 4 July - 7.00-9.00pm**

A greater understanding of \*binge drinking culture \*rights of young people and parental responsibility \*under age activity and sexual pressure \*where to go for help. Run by Helen Upton, PCSO, School Nurse and Vista. Cost £5.00 per person for the course. To secure a booking call 07557 361246 or 07939 111152 .

**First Aid for Teenagers – Saturday 7 July 2012 - 9.00-1.00pm**

A four hour accredited course for young people aged 13 years and over who babysit or care for children run by MGM Training. It will be held at Fleetville Junior School, 228 Hatfield Road, AL1 4LW. Cost £25.00 per person payable to secure booking – call 01727 855134 or 07939 111152.

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**We** are delighted with the success of the Art Textiles/Creative Embroidery Class (age 16 and above) run by Mrs Lynsey Lloyd on Wednesday evenings. Classes continue after half term; to register your interest contact Carole Heselton.

**Mr Chris Polding** is running a woodwork class on Tuesday evenings for adults - ideal for anyone wanting to develop their wood working skills and is suitable for beginners and those with more experience. Working under expert guidance with a wide range of tools and equipment, you will be able to produce a wooden item of your choice.

**Life Drawing Classes - age 16 and over – Ideal for A Level Art and Design students**

Sandringham School will be running life drawing classes on Thursday evenings from 7.30 – 9.00 pm from 14 June to 19 July. Learn how to sketch and draw the human body in a variety of media working with a life model. Perfect for A Level students wishing to develop their portfolio and adults wishing to develop drawing skills. Bring your own A2 sketchpad and pencils; other materials will be provided. £50 for students aged 16 – 18, £75 for adults over 18.

## News from the Governors

**The** Community Committee met in March and May. In both meetings we considered the school's analysis of the effect of the Local Authority's funding formula for special educational needs and the disadvantageous position of Beaumont. A formal submission has been made to Hertfordshire's Director of Education on this topic and we await a response.

**The** Committee conducted a review of the ways in which the Governing Body does and could engage with the school community: parents, staff and pupils. The review showed that governors use a wide range of formal and informal methods such as surveys, attendance at parents' forums and other school events, direct contact with staff and students in departmental reviews, review of feedback and complaints files, and staff exit interviews. A number of other ideas for building on these processes were identified and these will be considered by the full Governing Body later this year.

**In** addition, the Committee reviewed reports on looked after children and child protection procedures and policies on drugs education and accessibility. In coming meetings it will be reviewing the school's equalities policies and the results of the recent parental survey.

Kevin Doyle, Chair of Community Committee

## Students please take care in Oakwood Drive

**Please** remind your children to remember road safety at the school gates particularly at the end of the day. There have been cases of students stepping into the road without looking, which could obviously cause an accident.

Thank you

## June Diary Dates

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| Mon to Fri | 4-8 | <b>HALF TERM</b>   |
| Mon        | 11  | Year 12 students return from Exam Leave<br>New Year 9 into Year 10 timetable starts  |
| Tues       | 12  | Parent Information Evenings: Year 7 France 6pm, Year 7 Germany 7pm - Hall  |
| Weds       | 13  | Sports Day<br>BSA Committee meeting 7.30pm Library   |
| Thurs      | 14  | Governor Resources meeting 6.30pm Boardroom  |
| Mon        | 18  | Year 7 and 8 Spelling and Reading tests this week  |
| Tues       | 19  | Beaumont Life deadline<br>Year 8 Drama Club Show – Charlie and the Chocolate Factory 6pm – school grounds  |
| Thurs      | 21  | Reserve Sports Day<br>Governor CTL meeting 6.30 Boardroom<br>Parent Information Evening – Rosas – 6.30pm Room 40   |
| Fri        | 22  | Last GCE exam am<br>Year 13 Clearance  |
| Sat        | 23  | <b>Rob's Festival/BSA Event 2-8pm - Field</b>  |
| Mon        | 25  | <i>Lunchtime charity wheelchair basketball match – TBC</i><br>Year 7 Drama Club Show 'The Lion King' 6pm - school grounds  |
| Tues       | 26  | Music Dept visit to Jersey Farm Day Care Centre – lunchtime onwards<br>Governor Community meeting 6.30pm Boardroom   |
| Weds       | 27  | Last GCSE exams am<br>Year 9 students visit Fleetville Year 6<br>Year 11 Clearance pm – Hall<br>Vocal Ensemble workshops with VOCES8 1.30-3.30pm, concert at Bedford School 6.30pm |
| Thurs      | 28  | Sports Award Evening 7-9pm Hall<br>Sixth Form Conference (new Year 12)<br>Year 10 Final reports issued<br>New Year 7 Information Evening 6pm-8pm                                   |
| Fri        | 29  | Sixth Form Conference (new Year 12)<br>Year 12 Business and Economics Eureka Challenge trip to Birmingham<br>Student Voice Day   |
| Sat        | 30  | Vocal Ensemble performance with Adoramus Choir, Alban Arena 7.30pm   |

for details of sports fixtures please check the PE Blog [www.beaumontpe.blogspot.com](http://www.beaumontpe.blogspot.com)