



NEWS & VIEWS

Be The Best You Can Be

Headteacher: Mr I Smyrk

Traditional Values

Learning for the Future

Outstanding Personal Achievement



Headteacher's Comment

Good afternoon, this week we said goodbye to our Year 11 and Year 13 students. Both year groups finished with honours assemblies receiving certificates for all their hard work and achievements. Year 13 followed their assembly with a BBQ while Year 11 enjoyed the traditional fun fair, BBQ and ice-creams. We wish all of the students every success in their exams and all the very best for the future.

In this week's News and Views, we share a variety of individual successes from students in Year 13, which I am sure you will agree shows what amazing talented students we have and what great achievements they have accomplished in each of their sporting activities. Well done to all of you and keep working hard *To Be The Best You Can Be!*

Next week we will be sharing Year 11 successes and also news from the fair.

Have a great weekend.



Year 13 Successes

FREDDIE WILKENS – YR13

I currently box for Repton Boxing club in Bethnal Green, have recently won two National Championships and three London championships and am currently competing for my third national title. I competed in Birmingham in February this year representing London in the National quarter, semi and finals where I won the England National Youth Championships 2023.



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Year 13 Successes cont.

FREYA GODFREY - YR13

I have recently been selected to represent England U19s in their upcoming camp in Spain where we will play friendlies against Germany and Switzerland. This is my fourth time being called up to the U19s although I'm currently only U18 so playing up a year. I also recently travelled to Portugal where I played against Norway, I got an assist and scored a penalty.

I have been representing England from U14s all the way through to U19s. I made my debut for the U19s against Slovenia in the U19 Euro qualifiers and scored my first two international goals. I have been on loan at Ipswich women's first team gaining minutes and experience in a first team environment; I won player of the month in October, my first full month with the squad.

Just this week I had my senior debut for Arsenal beating Brighton 4-0!

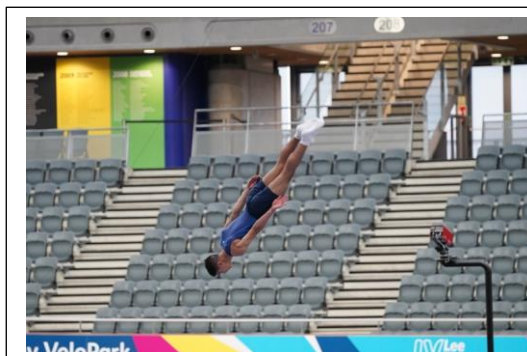
I've also just signed a three year boot/sponsorship deal with Puma.



JARED SMITH – YR13

I've been trampolining since I was 8. From Year 9 to Year 11 I trained up to five days a week and this saw me progress to compete nationally across the country. During this time, I was scouted and invited to a performance pathway camp with the top coaches in the country, and was pushed to my maximum potential off the trampoline, during key exercises and strengthening movements.

I then started competing in larger events and even participated in my first international competition in 2016. So far, I have competed at big event arenas in London, for example, the Lee Valley VeloPark and the Copperbox, where I won the National Final in November 2022. I've also competed in the Telford International Centre, on this occasion I won bronze medal.



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Year 13 Successes cont.

May Reid – YR13

I have been dancing since I was three years old, starting with ballet, tap and modern, I then took up Ballroom and Latin at the age of seven. I won my first Blackpool title in 2016 and was undefeated for five years, collecting a total of ten Blackpool titles. In 2019 I began my dance partnership with my current partner, Tom. Some of our biggest achievements so far include:

- 1st Blackpool Champions of tomorrow U21 Latin
- 5th British Nationals U21 Latin
- 5th Amateur 10 dance UK closed
- Top 18 Internationals U21 Latin

We have been lucky enough to compete against dancers from all over the world, in all major national and international competitions which take place throughout the year and also super league competitions which are almost every weekend. Last summer we had the amazing opportunity to travel to Italy for a 4-day camp; we competed on the first day and then attended some amazing lectures and training sessions.



Samuel Leslie – YR12

I started racing at the age of eight and since then I have been hooked on the sport. I have focused on road racing where I race with the Lee Valley Junior Cycling Team. This year started with a team training camp in Mallorca but I look forward to racing across Europe later in the year, with regular circuit and stage races in both Belgium and the Netherlands. I'll also be racing regularly in the British Cycling National Road Series. In July I'm looking forward to competing, with my team, in a week long stage race in the Junior Tour of Ireland.



Dates for the Diary

- 15.05.23 – 26.05.23 Summer examination series start
- 16.05.23 & 17.05.23 Lower School Production Rehearsals
- 17.05.23 -20.05.23 Year 10 Berlin Trip
- 17.05.23 -19.05.23 Year 13 Level 3 Food Science
- 18.05.23 Year 13 Exam Standardisation
- For PE fixtures please follow twitter @STMartinsSchPE or [click here](#) for further PE updates.

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