



# NEWS & VIEWS

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**Outstanding Personal Achievement**



## Headteacher's Comment

Good afternoon, this week we held our first Sports Awards Evening since 2019, highlighting all the students' achievements throughout the year. Thank you to the local Deputy Mayor Councillor Gareth Barrett for presenting the awards to the students and a big thank you to Mrs Swan and her team for organising and putting together such an excellent event.

With sports in mind we also held our annual Sports Day today at Brentwood School. Due to Covid restrictions over the last few years this was my first one and it was great to see so many students taking part and cheering their friends on. I had the fantastic job of awarding students their hard earned medals which was an absolute pleasure. Thank you to Mr Gee for all his hard work in organising the whole day and the rest of the staff for running the events and looking after their tutor groups all day.

Finally, in this week's News and Views we hear all about the Year 12 trip to the Royal Society Summer Science Exhibition and our sports achievements this summer. Have a good weekend!



## Royal Society Summer Science Exhibition

On 7 July, seventeen of our Year 12 science students travelled to the Royal Society for the annual Summer Science Exhibition. This featured exhibits from different research groups, with projects ranging from predicting extreme space weather events to the use of llama antibodies to treat diseases in humans. One project students found particularly interesting was from Loughborough University, showing how they are creating catalysts to convert biomass into useful materials that can replace use of fossil fuels.

A careers session gave our students the opportunity to chat to scientists working on projects as diverse as berry juice solar cells and the Winchcombe meteorite. This gave different perspectives on science careers which we hope will inspire our scientists and help them with their post-18 choices.

There were lots of hands-on activities for students to try. Quite literally, some of our students tried out a 3D thumb extension which could be used to help individuals who carry out bimanual tasks.

We also got to see some of the fantastic projects being carried out by primary and secondary schools in the 'Young Researcher Zone'.

Mrs Rossiter, Acting Head of KS5 Science



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## Super Saints Summer of Sport

What an amazing Summer term we've had in the PE department. The sun has been shining and we've had cricket, rounders and athletics matches galore. There are far too many successes to report them all individually but here are a few of the highlights.

Our under 15 girls' team were extremely unlucky not to win the Essex Soft Ball Cricket Competition hosted at Hutton Cricket Club. There were just five runs between us and the winners in the final. Silver medals out of 18 competing schools in a county tournament is pretty impressive.

At the Brentwood District Athletics Championships Amelie Shipton broke the Year 7 record for 800m, running 2:22 and Amelia King smashed the Year 10 record with a time of 2:24. Five of our eight teams were runners up out of the seven attending schools and our Year 7 girls were crowned champions.

Rannika Meade was presented with the Victrix Ludorum award by the Brentwood District Schools Sports Association for achieving the highest individual female medal tally at the 2022 Championships.

In the National Schools Track and Field Cup all four of our teams made the Regional A Finals. This is a phenomenal achievement as it means that we are in the top 16 teams for each category in Norfolk, Suffolk, Cambridgeshire, Bedfordshire & Essex.

St Martin's students were well represented in every age group in the Essex School Athletics Championships. We had a grand total of 21 boys and girls chosen to compete for the Mid Essex district which was more than any other Brentwood or Chelmsford School. These were our medallists.

Eren Ozkoch	Gold	Junior Boys' Shot
Amelie Shipton	Gold	Y7 800m
Uchenna Okereke	Silver	Intermediate Boys' Discus
Marvellous Ojo	Silver	Y7 800m
Amelia King	Bronze	Intermediate Girls' 800m
Sienna Shipton	Bronze	Junior Girls' 800m
Abigail Swan	Bronze	Intermediate Girls' 1500m
Emmie Lole	Bronze	Y7 1500m

Finally, Sienna Shipton was selected to represent Essex at the English Schools Championships in Birmingham last weekend. She ran an impressive 42.0 seconds in the Junior Girls' 300m to qualify! Well done Sienna, we are all very proud of you.



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## Super Saints Summer of Sport Cont'd



U15 Girls Cricket Team County Runners Up



Amelie Shipton Year 7 Brentwood District Record Holder for 800m



Amelia King Year 10 Brentwood District Record Holder for 800m



Our Year 7 Girls are Brentwood District Athletics Champions



Rannika Meade  
Victrix Ludorum



Eren Ozkoch Essex  
County Gold JB Shot Put



Uchenna Okereke Essex  
County Silver IB Discus



Sienna Shipton Essex  
County Bronze JG 800m



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