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## BIG BANG FAIR 2019

On March 13, a group of Year 7 to Year 12 students descended on the National Exhibition Centre in Birmingham to visit the Big Bang Fair 2019. The fair is the largest science and engineering fair in the UK with over 100 exhibitions and interactive shows. Students thoroughly enjoyed the day with many considering following a career in science or engineering in the future.



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# POLITICS TRIP

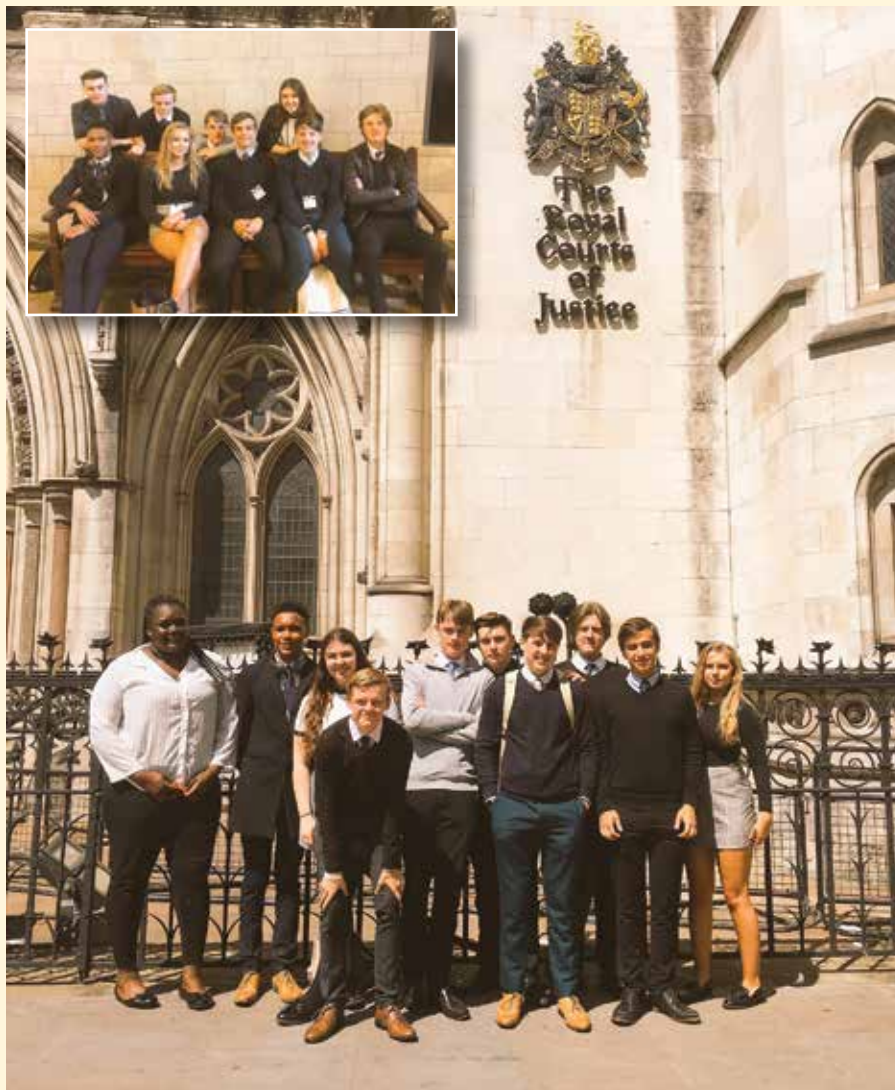
On the 21st of May, our Politics class was lucky enough to go on a school trip to London and visit the Houses of Parliament and the Royal Courts of Justice.

The first place we visited was Parliament. We were taken to Westminster Hall seeing where the trials of Sir William Wallace and Charles I took place, as well as meeting our great tour guide. We were shown the robe room as well as the many impressive and famous paintings of past monarchs and famous scenes such as the Battle of Waterloo and Trafalgar. Going around various halls and rooms in Parliament showed us the real, historical foundations of British politics which we had the privilege of seeing first hand. During our time there we were also shown the lobby of Parliament, where live TV broadcasts are done and where most politicians come and go. Perhaps the most impressive part of our time in Parliament was when we were allowed to go into the House of Lords. We stood by the benches, as we were not allowed to sit, and saw where our laws are shaped and made. Not long after our time at Parliament ended we headed to the Royal Courts of Justice to tour the building and see over eighty courtrooms, some with actual hearings taking place. Interestingly, we also saw the traditional wigs used for judges and barristers as well as

historical documents such as the court documents from the trial of Guy Fawkes; giving us an engaging learning experience. Overall the trip was a really memorable day with an incredible learning experience which helped us in our understanding of British Government and politics.

Thank you to our politics teachers, Miss Roberts and Miss Hawkins, who kindly accompanied us on the trip but especially to Miss Hawkins, who spent lots of time organising this amazing experience.

**Heather Niven Year 12**



# UCL SPECTROSCOPY DAY 2019

An enjoyable day was had at University College London (UCL). Year 12 students experienced using IR and MS techniques. They also experienced a taster lecture based on NMR spectroscopy. Many Thanks to Dr Robert Palgrave and Professor Andrea Sella for an informative and engaging day.





# JACK PETCHEY AWARDS 2019

## Jan 19 Winner: Louis McCarthy

Citation: Louis has worked extremely hard academically and has fully immersed himself in the school's extra-curricular programme. Louis has participated in mental health first aid training and is currently passing this knowledge on to year 8 students during form time. In addition, Louis regularly performs in school productions – spending hours preparing for the roles he has been given. Furthermore, he helps to run the lower school drama club. Louis is an excellent role model for younger students.

## Feb 19 Winner: Connie Burgoyne

Citation: Connie has gone above and beyond to promote the importance of inclusivity and kindness around school. She does this by leading by example both in lessons and during lunch breaks. As a result, she is admired by both students and teachers for her positive attitude. Connie continues to try to better herself by dedicating her time to a range of extra-curricular activities. She is an exemplary student.

## Mar 19 Winner: Matthew Chinnery

Citation: Matthew has had to overcome a number of hurdles throughout his

teenage years. For some this would be demotivating but not for Matthew. He has fought to overcome any challenges that he has faced and has shown outstanding courage and resilience in doing so. This has been especially evident this year as he has prepared for his GCSEs. Matthew has a positive attitude that is admired by both his teachers and peers.

## April 19 Winner: Amy Overington

Citation: Amy has pushed herself to be the best she can be both in and out of school. She is an outstanding student but also manages to dance and play cricket competitively. She has danced in the national finals for Disco Freestyle and Rock & Roll as well as being selected for the Essex County Cricket team for four years in a row. Amy has shown her sheer determination to better herself both academically and in her sporting ability by committing so much time to her endeavors.

## May 19 Winner: Owen Barry

Citation: Owen continues to push himself out of his comfort zone by actively working towards positive change in the school community. He frequently participates in school council decision making meetings

despite being in his first year at St Martin's. Owen's kindness and positive attitude has been recognized by both teachers and students at our school which makes him delight to be around.

## Jun 19 Winner: Rajat Jadhav

Citation: Rajat consistently works hard both in and out of school. As well as being a positive role model for his peers in school, Rajat has fully immersed himself in voluntary work in his free time. He has participated in fundraising events for those less fortunate than himself as well as helping to cook meals for those in local homeless shelters. Rajat is an inspiration to all young people as he promotes the importance of creating a caring community.

## Staff winner – Dr Chris Pearson

Since joining the school in 2004 he has had one day of sick leave, his students never have cover. His unstinting support of a number of faculty leaders, who found the role highly challenging and subsequently left, has brought about improvements in science. He is an excellent A level teacher, chemistry under his leadership has been ALPS 3 for the past two years.



# STRATFORD DRAMA TRIP

In July the Year 12 Drama and Theatre students travelled to Stratford Upon Avon to watch two performances by the Royal Shakespeare Company;



'Measure for Measure' and 'Venice Preserved.' The students took part in a five hour practical workshop, back stage tour of the two main theatres and experienced some street theatre at Shakespeare's birthplace. Students stayed in a local B&B and enjoyed walking around the old town, soaking up the historic ambiance. The activities completed over the weekend helped students with their Component 3 exam; Theatre Makers in Practice.

**Mrs Page, Head of Year 12 & 13**



## YEAR 11 'DEAD-END' TIE

Before year 11 students left they had a visit from Collingwood Learning to perform 'Dead End'. This is part of Safer Essex Roads Partnership's (SERP) road safety programme and delivered to highlight passenger responsibilities at a time when students may travel with newly qualified drivers.

'Dead End' is delivered through incredibly poignant monologues

interspersed with theatrical action, and imagery via a projection screen, the audience is guided skillfully through the key messages. We see the build-up to and the consequences of two crashes. Designed for this age group, the performance uses a 'talking heads' style approach with graphic descriptions of the crashes and the emotional scars. This performance has been



particularly effective as a means of communicating powerfully with Year 11's, who have proved highly receptive to this more sophisticated and emotive approach.

Key messages: Don't Drink/drug drive; Wear Seatbelts; Don't distract the driver; Don't speed or show off.

**Mrs Wilson, SEAL Coordinator**



# SUMMER MUSIC CONCERT



This year's Summer Music Concert took place on the evening of Wednesday 26th June, with a wide variety of performances from our talented students. Highlights included a toe-tapping rendition of the Blues Brothers theme from the Orchestra to open the show, a beautiful interpretation of Anne-Marie's 2002 from our Vocal Group and the notorious Soul Limbo from the Steel Pans to really get us in the summer mood.

Congratulations to all who participated in an outstanding evening of music, and thank you to the huge number of those of you who came along to support. Here's to the next one!

**Mr Harris, Head of Music**



## YEAR 7 AUTHOR'S VISIT

A fantastically successful world book day celebration took place. All the students made positive comments about the speaker, Jon Robinson, and the activities, it was a perfect balance between presentation and workshop. Jon Robinson said, that the students' approach was really engaging.

Our thanks go to Miss Casey, Head of Year 7, and Mrs Peters, Librarian and DEAR coordinator.





# YEAR 5 TECHNOLOGY DAY

The Technology Faculty hosted its annual Technology days for Year 5 pupils from Larchwood, Willowbrook & Ingrave Johnstone Primary Schools. The pupils learnt about multiple elements of the Technology faculty, seeing some of the equipment and resources it has to offer and getting hands-on with practical tasks. Pupils made their own wooden blockbot character, using machines and tools to assemble and customise it. They also had an opportunity to work in textiles using the sewing machines to construct and decorate bags for them to carry their characters in. The day was a resounding success, the pupils produced excellent results, working very hard throughout the day and thoroughly enjoyed themselves, whilst learning new skills that they do not always get the opportunity to experience at Primary School.

**Mr Morris, Teacher of Technology**



## STEM CLUB

During lunchtime in technology, Year 8 students have been busy working on downhill racing cars in preparation for a contest. Each student carefully had to manage car weight, performance and surface decoration to achieve the highest points in order to be crowned champion.

Year 9 STEM afterschool club enabled students to create powered rockets. Two teams constructed rockets that should successfully launch and land without breaking. The nose of the rocket for each test launch contained a small video camera to capture an aerial view of St Martin's School. Students have taken inspiration from NASA and Space X to design and make

their rockets, considering all the weight and aerodynamics of the structure. The team also worked with the Science department to create motors that would power the



launch, many thanks to Mr Smith for developing their understanding and the chemistry and physics behind the propulsion system. To attempt to land the rockets in one piece, the teams have also visited Mrs Fowkes in the Textiles department to design and assemble parachutes to deploy on descent.

**Mr Morris, Teacher of Technology**



# INSIGHT INTO MANAGEMENT



On the 9th and 10th July, managers from Ford and other companies came to St Martin's to work with the Year 12 students. This year marked the first year of a brand new challenge. Students were put into groups and had two days to create an app, market it and prepare a pitch for investment. This was a fantastic opportunity for students to have guidance from people of industry. They were able to develop core employability skills that universities and employers all look for. They had to think creatively, problem-solve, work as a team, manage their

time, and present to an audience. Developing these skills over the two days really helped students to reflect on how they can ensure they are as successful as possible post-Sixth Form. Alongside the app challenge was the traditional DART challenge – encouraging students to develop their business acumen by creating paper aeroplanes to receive orders and then reinvest their money in further rounds.

The winning DART team were Group 5 – James Baker, Jamie Benson, Ellie Bushby, Ben Charles, Brett Downton, Isabella Emerson, Katie Lewis, and Henry Nottidge.

The runners up of the app challenge were Group 7: Oluseyi Adaramola, Tabitha Dodge, Millie Hodges, Ansel Idanesi, Jack Jarvis, Taylor Kamall, Keerthana Krishna Rao, Jessica



Maher, Christian Vince, and Michael Wand. They designed an app to help track down lost pets.

The winners of the app challenge (and £10 Nando's voucher) were Group 3: Rishi Aggarwal, Richard Akinyebo, Nicholas Binnell, Charlotte Gibson, Caroline Hann, Jack Llewellyn, Luke Nipper, Serena Sangha, Josie Stansfield and Ali Syed. They designed an app to help people know when their fresh food is going off and to give them ideas on how to use it.

All the groups came up with fantastic ideas over the two days. It was a real pleasure seeing the future of our workforce come together and be so passionate and enthusiastic. There were some future leaders in the making in each group, and we are all incredibly proud of them.

The event wouldn't have been possible without the support of all our managers who have given up their time, the Sixth Form team, Mrs Stewart, Mrs Nichol and Miss McDonagh.





# DRAMA GCSE AND A LEVEL EXAMS



During the Spring and Summer terms, the Drama department was busy once again with year 10, 11, 12 and 13 creating a variety of scripted and original performances as part of their GCSE or A-Level courses. Year 10 created original pieces of work based on the topic Theatre in Education which they performed to year 8 students. Year 11 rehearsed and performed a number of scripted

extracts to a very high standard, performed in front of peers and a visiting examiner. The plays varied in genre and style and included *The Penelopiad* by Margaret Atwood, *Girls Like That* by Evan Placely, *Bouncers and Shakers* by John Godber and *East* by Steven Berkoff. Year 12 devised and performed original pieces based on a variety of thought provoking topics including *Dunblane*, *Refugees* and *Stockholm Syndrome*. They performed in front of an invited audience of friends, family and Drama students. Our year 13s' final practical performances were two scripted extracts; a group performance from Berkoff's *The Trial*, and monologues from *The Laramie Project* by Moses Kaufman. All performances were of a very high standard once again. The standard of practical work this year has been excellent and



we have been thrilled with the skill and execution of all the scripted and devised performances.

**Mrs Wilkinson, Head of Drama / DHoF Leisure and Arts**





# LITTLE MERMAID JR LOWER SCHOOL PRODUCTION



This year's production of Disney's 'Little Mermaid Jr' was the classic story of a girl yearning for the opportunity to live in a different world and gaining her freedom. The performances were a huge success due to the hard work and dedication of all the students and staff involved. As my fifth show, I have had the pleasure of working with many of the students since Year 7, watching them grow and blossom into some extremely talented performers. We have also been lucky to welcome in some amazing new talent in lead and supporting roles and featuring their skills as singers, actors and dancers. We were very excited this year to be putting on such a well-known play and the fact I managed to double

cast some of the main roles shows how much talent we have in KS3.

As always, I have had the support of a number of individuals who have contributed their time and efforts in producing the show. These include the Drama and Music Department who have assisted throughout the process. Miss Blackburn's contribution to the set and Mr Moseley's AV tech team ensured a professional looking and sounding show. I have also been fortunate enough to have been assisted by students in creating the show. Year 9 students; Darcy Pilgrim, Emily Ellis and Beth Savill have worked together to choreograph the dance numbers for the show. I have also had the assistance of Year 12 students with

a special mention to Lewis Barker-Moore and Joshua Freeman-Oram for their roles as stage manager and assistant director who have been outstanding throughout the whole process. All have helped to create a professional, exciting and fun show. I am incredibly proud of all the students involved and how outstanding their performances were and we are all very excited for what next year holds!

**Miss Barnes**  
**(Director),**  
**Teacher**  
**of Drama**





# SPORTS DAY 2019

On Tuesday 9th July St Martin's School students took a trip to Brentwood School for the annual sports day. After several years of rain, the weather finally went our way resulting in beautiful sunny skies for the duration. Everyone was in high spirits meaning fantastic enthusiasm levels from both competitors and supporters. As the day progressed it was clear that there were some great sporting achievements being witnessed by those in attendance

with new school records being made! With the 1500m run prior to the day and gruelling trials taking place to determine the runners for the sprint events, everyone was fighting to come out on top! There were a number of stand-out stars from each year group who picked up multiple medals for their house.

Throughout the day the lead was regularly changing. After a competitive day for all, participants

from Roman house managed to take the lead and become victorious for the academic year 2018/ 2019 with Games Captains Brody Moroney and Karla Venter collecting the cup.

Well done to all students, staff and parents for their commitment, involvement and support for the competitors.

**Miss S Ruffell, Head of House Coordinator**



## NEW SCHOOL SPORTS DAY RECORDS

I ESSELL	Yr 7B	100m	12.99 secs
L COSGRAVE	Yr 7G	100m	13.38 secs
A KING	Yr 7G	800m	2 min 32
A SWAN	Yr 7G	1500m	5 min 29
C COLLINS	Yr 7B	Discuss	25.00m
S FORD	Yr 7B	Javelin	26.76m
M EDWARDS	Yr 7G	Javelin	23.29m
L COSGARVE	Yr 7G	Long Jump	4.06m
S STEPHANOU	Yr 8G	300m	46.25 secs
I CALABRITTO	Yr 8G	800m	2 min 43
K MOLARD	Yr 8G	1500m	6 min 08
M BLACKLOCK	Yr 9B	800m	2 min 08
M DOWNIE	Yr 9B	Long Jump	5.15m
D MINORS	Yr 9B	High Jump	1.69m
O ADAMS	Yr 10B	800m	2 min 10
L SMITH	Yr 10G	100m	13.38
L SMITH	Yr 10G	Long Jump	4.30m







**Year 7 winners - ROMAN**  
**Year 8 winners - QUINLAN**  
**Year 9 winners - ROMAN**  
**Year 10 winners - BECKET**  
**OVERALL - ROMAN**  
**STAFF RELAY - BECKET**





# YEAR 10 MFL TRIP TO MUNICH

Over the past two years a languages trip to Munich has been organised for GCSE students and this year proved to be a packed schedule of many of Munich's most famous sights.

After an incredibly early departure from school myself and Mrs Ballard arrived in Munich and started off our trip with some fantastic 360° views of the city from the top of the Olympiaturm. After a spot of lunch at the Viktualienmarkt, we proceeded by public transport to the hostel to prepare for our evening out at the world famous Hofbräuhaus where students sampled traditional German cuisine such as Käsespätzle and Sauerbraten.

On day 2, we gained a wider understanding of Germany's history through a guided walking tour, which took us around many of the key sights where Hitler first made his attempts to gain power. This was followed by a visit to Dachau concentration camp (the first one built by the Nazis), the day was made complete by a relaxing visit to a bowling alley where we all enjoyed some light-hearted competitiveness after the long day of walking.



On day 3 after a traditional German breakfast, we headed by train through the picturesque German mountains and countryside to the iconic Neuschwanstein Castle, one of the most famous castles in Germany where we enjoyed a guided tour. After some quick photos of the palace (despite the 30 minutes of torrential rain) and learning about



King Ludwig II, we headed back to the town of Füssen to make our return trip to Munich. After some last minute souvenir shopping and dinner, we prepared for our final day.

Day 4 started off with a guided tour of the Allianz Arena, home to Bayern München FC and probably the best football stadium in the world. We learnt much about how the stadium lights up



What a beautiful city filled with wonderful, historical buildings and fantastic views. The food was delicious and the sights were impressive. A great experience with funny people and great teachers.  
Thomas Lamb - IOB2





depending on who is playing and the time of year. We ventured back into Munich city centre for some lunch before finally making our way to the airport for our trip back to the UK.

The visit to Dachau was very informative and I enjoyed both the bowling and the Allianz Arena. Oscar Lawson - 10B3



Overall the trip was a great success and an excellent way for all the students to practise their German speaking skills and to gain an introduction into German life, history and culture. All students were an asset to St Martin's School during this visit and it was a pleasure to accompany them to one of my favourite German cities.

**Mr Bourton, Teacher of MFL**



The train rides were an amazing way to view the city and the tours we went on were very interesting. Munich has such a lovely atmosphere and I had an amazing time. Libby Simmons - 10Q3



## BUDE



We took students to Adventure International during the May half term. Whilst there, the students participated in a wide range of activities including kayaking, canoeing, caving and surfing. Our students threw themselves into the activities, with some managing to conquer long-standing fears. The trip was a great opportunity for students to develop key skills they can use at school like perseverance, team work, independent thinking and creative enquiry. They made lots of memories

and had a fantastic time, forming new friendships and strengthening existing ones. On the final night, Will Chow (9H1) won the "Joker" award – for making his group and instructor laugh all week. Mhiyha Collins-Smith (8Q1) won the "Bottle" award for pushing through – even when things got tough. Finally Lenia Smith (10H3) won the "Superstar" award for throwing herself in to all activities and being an all-round superstar!

**Mr Shoker, Teacher of PRE and i/c of Careers**



## ETHAN METCALFE

Ethan Metcalfe was invited to attend the Malta International Karate competition. It was an amazing experience and valuable preoperation for the World Championships held in June.

Ethan did not medal this time but he maintained high scores throughout coming 5th in Europe in his kata trio, out of 19 teams, so we are all very proud of his amazing achievement, especially as they had only 2 weeks of training as a trio team!





# YEAR 11 LEAVERS FAIR







## YEAR 12 PATHWAY DAY

On Monday 8th July, Year 12 were all involved in Pathways Day, a day dedicated to their next steps, whether it be university courses or an apprenticeship. Those involved in university preparation listened to a fantastic talk about student life from the University of Sussex before doing a carousel of activities based around their application, including writing personal statements, involving super-curricular activities and the actual UCAS application process. Dr Crawford from Cambridge University also presented to those students interested in applying to either Oxford or Cambridge and ex-students attended to talk about their experiences, which the students found incredibly useful.

Those choosing the apprenticeship route were involved in a session run by Aim Apprenticeships, allowing them to become more aware of what apprenticeships are available and where to look for them, as well as a Hidden Job Market workshop, making the students think outside the box when deciding on their future plans. Connor Knight, an ex-student and now radio presenter, came to speak to the students about his experiences.

The day was a great success, and particular thanks go to the ex-students that gave up their time for our current students.

**Mrs Howell, Head of Sixth Form**



# SAINTS RETAIN NATIONAL ROUNDERS TITLE



The St Martin's School U14 mixed rounders team are finishing for the summer break on a high after being crowned National Champions at this year's National Schools finals in Leicester.

It was a sense of déjà vu for Saints as they took the title for the second year running and the 4<sup>th</sup> time in total.

## **District Champions**

Their journey to the final started back in May at the district round of the competition where Saints took on schools from the local Brentwood area. Saints stormed through the district round beating both Shenfield School and Anglo European, 8.5-5 and 12-6 respectively.

As District Champions they then progressed to the County Finals in June which had eight schools competing from across Essex including Grays Convent High School, Bromfords School, Davenant School, Mayflower High School, The Boswells School, Ramsey Academy and Saffron Walden County High.

## **County Champions**

Superb team work in the field from Ed Walker and Elliott Jarvis and exceptional batting from Georgia and Holly Fredrickson secured straight wins against all of their opponents and a ticket to the national finals.

Having dominated both the district and county rounds the team travelled to the University of Leicester for the finals last week. The day-long tournament saw schools competing from all over the country and started with group stages which Saints controlled with ease.

Denham Minnor and Jasmin Sena's teamwork as backstop and first base ensured any batsman missing Josh Kirby's fast bowls would walk. Saints finished top of their group after beating all four schools in their pool.

In the quarter finals, Saints faced Clyst Vale Community College from Devon. Intelligent decision making in the field particularly from Sophie Wilson and Phoebe Mills, coupled with well-timed risk taking when batting resulted in a 6.5-3.5 win.

Saints fielded first in their semi final game against Ripon Grammar School from North Yorkshire and kept the opposition down to only 3 rounders. St Martin's batted well and the game was called after the 5<sup>th</sup> ball as Saints had exceeded their opponent's total.

Saints won the toss in the final and elected to field first, chasing a 5.5 total to take the Golden Bat back to Essex. The Hutton based team showed exceptional skill and faultless teamwork. With a potential 18 balls to bat St Martin's were able to take the national title on the 10<sup>th</sup> ball.

Miss Hayley Jackson and Mike Read who had coached the mixed squad with Charley Barrell said "our team was made up of girls and boys from years seven to nine, each of whom played integral roles at different stages and rounds of the competition. Their commitment to training coupled with their desire to win made this a winning squad from the start. The standard of play was extremely high and we are so proud of their achievement."



# SAINTS SECURE THE TREBLE



The St Martin's girls' football teams have been celebrating after winning the Mid Essex 7 a-side leagues for all three year groups in Year 7, 8 and 9.

The 7-a-side football leagues are open to all schools in the Mid Essex area and this year saw 10 schools enter the Year 7 and 8 leagues and 8 schools enter the Year 9 league.

Saint's Year 7 teams secured 8 wins and 1 draw in total across their 9 games. A superb striking partnership from Marcia Edwards and Sophie Willson helped the team to score an incredible 52 goals in total throughout all of their league matches. In particular their games against Chelmer Valley School which Saints won 11-1, and games against Plume School and Sandon School were both won with 9-0 victories. Solid defending from the regular two centre backs Daisy Marshall and Ella Robins also meant that the team only conceded 5 goals throughout all of their matches.

Saint's Year 8 team emulated their younger teams' success winning 6 of

their matches and drawing 2 in total. Stand out performances throughout the season certainly came from the two centre backs Sian Sharpling and Alice Freeman who were formidable in their defending roles. Alex Syed the team's goal keeper also pulled off some amazing saves to ensure that Saint's didn't concede a single goal throughout their 8 matches.

Saints oldest team of the three, also led by example. Against a tough pool of schools, Saint's Year 9 girls secured 5 wins and 1 loss. Their most dominant game of the season was against Sandon school which they won 5-0. Grace Wickham and Ashleigh Giessing both new players to the squad this season certainly proved a success with Wickham pairing up with Freya Godfrey in attack to make a deadly striking duo and Giessing taking to goal helping to maintain



an impressive record of only 2 goals being conceded all season.

Miss Hayley Jackson and Amy Bryant who coach the girls' teams are thrilled by their collective achievements: "to win all three year groups is testament to all of the girls' hard work and commitment to their training. Mid Essex is an exceptionally strong area for football and girls' football is continuing to rise year upon year. It has been a pleasure working with the girls and we look forward to their continued success next season".



## STUDENTS VISITING FROM CHINA

Many thanks to all those involved for hosting the Chinese visitors. They thoroughly enjoyed the visit and the whole experience. They were really impressed by the outstanding school, helpful staff and friendly students. This has been a great experience and they will cherish the memory and friendship they have made.

**Zong Wang, EES for Schools**





# RAMPAGING CHARIOTS



For the 9th year running we are entering the Rampaging Chariots competition sponsored by Leonardo UK. A returning team of Year 10 students; Alex Benson, James and Harry Broun, Callum Emery, Joseph Godfrey, and Brody Maroney will be accompanied by this year's Year 9 students; John DeTorres, Tommi Davis, Jacob Newton, Toby Rumbold, Aidan Tucker and Raghav Ramkumar.

The students have worked after school to manufacture a remote control robot, from a kit of parts supplied by Leonardo UK, to take part in the competition against other schools from Essex. The events encompass an assault course, two-a-side football, and a sumo event. The event took place on Saturday 6th July.

## Rampaging Chariots - results of their competition on Saturday 6th July.

In the competition against other schools from Essex the teams took part in the three events of the competition. The Year 9 students put on a good performance but were knocked out of the sumo and assault course early on. They made the semi-final of the 2-a-side football, but had machine issues. The Year 10 team were runners up in the sumo and 2-a-side football events, and they won the assault course with the fastest time of the day.

Well done to all those involved.

## Chelmsford Science & Engineering Society Schools Competition:

On Friday 28th June, George Barrett, Mateo Bouchat, Chloe Amber Flack, Rekem Ereku and Jay Wood attended the CSES Schools competition at Anglia Ruskin University, to display their GCSE coursework. They were each interviewed by a panel of engineers and their coursework assessed to the CSES criteria. They behaved impeccably for what turned out to be a long day. At the end



of the day Chloe Amber Flack was runner up for the Student's Choice award (chosen by all the students attending), and Rekem Ereku was awarded the Student's Choice. Since then we have found out they have all won a CSES award and will be attending the award ceremony on Wednesday 17th July.

## Mr Parker, Teacher of Resistant Materials and Computing





# TRIBUTE TO FREDDIE FELTON



Staff and students always speak fondly on how Freddie was kind and caring as well as the way he put others before himself. Freddie stood up for what he believed in and in particular he would not stand for bullying, he looked to always help others. When I used to pass Freddie in the busy corridors or whilst out at lunch, he would always stop and take the time to ask me how my day was going. Freddie cared for his friends deeply and that is evident in the tributes people have made over the last few months.

Freddie was passionate about sports, he loved football and supported his beloved West Ham United. Mr Read also helped to develop a passion for Rugby, so much so, Freddie went

on to join Romford and Gidea Park RFC. The number seven rugby shirt that Freddie wore and represented St Martins in this season has been retired. The shirt was framed and presented to Freddie's family. Recently Freddie's sporting passion was recognised during the Sports Awards Evening with a cup being dedicated to Freddie's memory. Because Freddie's team was West Ham United, students and staff were invited to wear an item of the famous claret and blue colours of WHU on the sad day we all said goodbye.

Mrs Wilson, using all her contacts, prompted the #ClapForFreddie which was shared online in attempt to get a minute's applause for Freddie during the WHU V Leicester City football club. During the 14th minute over 60000 fans joined in and clapped to remember Freddie in a fitting tribute.

A memorial bench has been placed in the area where Freddie spent his break and lunches. Connie Burgoyne (9H3) used her Jack Petchey prize money towards the bench. Mr Morris in Design and technology, kindly hand-made the bench plaque. Freddie's closest friends gathered once the plaque had been fitted to remember Freddie. Liam Allwood (9B3) read a personal and moving speech he had written to share his fondest memories of Freddie. There were lots of other personal and fond moments shared amongst the group that all represented Freddie's kind and loving characteristics.

Freddie will always be remembered fondly in the school community and will always have a special place in the year group. He had such a positive impact on the people around him and will be



remembered for his caring nature. In tribute to Freddie we are in the process of establishing "Freddie's Friends" as an anti-bullying support group. His peers will be trained to support others just like Freddie demonstrated. Freddie's Friends will support various different year groups and will continue to demonstrate the values Freddie stood for.

## Miss Bryant, Head of Year 9

*Fred was such a gentleman; he would always look after me. Even if I was in the wrong he would always have my back Fred would.*

*Fred always kept to his word, one of the best bits about Freddie was that he had his heart on his sleeve and he was honest.*

*Our man to man chats was most of the time emotional but it helped. Freddie would make me feel 100 times better. The best thing about them chats as well was he said that I was family to him and I have always got a place at his.*

*I will always remember when me and mum would take Fred to Rugby. We would buy Fred a Lucozade and his reaction to it was like it was pure gold, that was one of the things that always made my day. I always knew in my heart that Freddie was a true friend and I loved him like a brother.*

*The one true thing that will stay in my mind was the last training session before my operation. Fred got out of the car and started training. I was getting my boots on and my mum said to me "Never lose him as a friend because he will be your friend for life"*

*I love you Fredo. I will never forget your smile and your kindness was inspirational.*

**Written by Liam Allwood 9B3**



# EXHIBITION OF A-LEVEL WORK FROM PRODUCT DESIGN AND FASHION AND TEXTILES STUDENTS



Wednesday 12 March saw an exhibition of work produced by year 13 students studying A-Levels in Product Design and Fashion and Textiles. This was an excellent opportunity for students to be proud of their work, show their parents and receive some essential feedback helping them with their own evaluative comments.

Work displayed ranged from model houses and theme park rides, to tents and stage show costumes.

The work has been produced to high standards and many visitors commented on how impressed they were with the pieces they saw. Technology staff are grateful to all



of the parents and teachers who attended and supported the students.

## YEAR 10 TEXTILES; ROYAL OPERA HOUSE SCHOOL'S COMPETITION



*Kennedy Sanders final design for the corset she created.*

their sketchbook, make an element of a product based on their design ideas and submit a 90 second video evaluating their project and finished product.

The judging was very difficult; the St Martin's winner was Kennedy Sanders in 10B1 who produced a corset with skirt for Juliet to wear in the balcony scene. An honourable mention goes out to Mia LeHellidu in 10H2 who made a jacket for Romeo to wear to the ball with a highly detailed epaulette and Millie Payne in 10H1 who made a dress inspired by nature embellished with flowers.

We wait to hear how Kennedy did in the next level for the national competition.

Year 10 students were invited to participate in a competition run by the Royal Opera House in Covent Garden. The competition was launched with a visit to their workshop in Purfleet where the students toured behind the scenes of the costume and stage production departments. A highlight of the day was working in the costume department to learn a new technique, and produce a miniature moquette of an outfit suitable for the musical *Wicked*.

Students were asked to research, design and make a costume suitable for one character from the ballet of *Romeo and Juliet*, the next ballet that the Royal Opera House will be portraying.

All students exceeded our expectations with the work they produced. To be entered to the Royal Opera House students were required to select three pages from



*Moquettes from students produced in an hour in the costume department at the Royal Opera House, Purfleet.*