

# REVIEW OF THE TOMLINSCOTE WEEK



We had our Year 6 Open Evening last week, followed by school tours every day. It has been a pleasure taking the parents and Year 6 students around the school, with good purposeful learning taking place around the site and excellent behaviour from our students.

6th October 2017

## Year 7 Enrichment Day

The first Year 7 Enrichment Day kicked off with an inspirational look at the qualities of teamwork, from trust and support to the acute recognition of the skills of others. During the morning, students took part in some exciting practical team building activities, investigating an extensive array of collaborative skills. Then came the challenge of the day - to build a sturdy bridge spanning 600mm out of only paper, nuts and bolts. Each team assigned roles from creative designer to quality control engineer. They took these roles on with vigour and energy and got to work. During the building process, the students showed excellent communication, division of responsibilities and most importantly, the creativity to succeed in their task. One excellent demonstration of maturity stuck out during this section of the day when one team had a significant disagreement and, before any teacher intervention, were able to recognise where the team had weakened and devised a strategy to overcome this. Very impressive!

The competition came in the afternoon: bridge testing. The event was lively and supportive with the whole year group cheering each other on as the weights increased on their structures. The winning team achieved a massive 3.9kg of weights before their bridge gave in. This bridge showed an original design that hadn't been seen in previous years, a structure of corrugated and tubed paper which was unbeatable. Throughout the day, Year 7 showed excellent collaborative skills and were able to articulate their learning beautifully.

Well done Year 7!



## KEY DATES 2017

2nd-13th October  
Year 6 Tours

6th October  
German Exchange abroad

6th October  
Year 9 Battlefields trip

10th October  
French Exchange abroad

10th October  
Year 7 Parents meet the Tutors  
evening 3.15-5.45pm

19th October  
Year 11 Revision Evening

23rd-27th October  
Half term holiday



### **Year 7 Football success**

Tomlinscote beat Court Moor 4-2 in a game that we dominated, but the ball just wouldn't go in the net. Luckily, Captain Callum Champion managed to open up the scoring 2 minutes before half time taking us in with a 1-0 lead. Shortly after half time, they equalised through a beautiful free kick. As the game went on we finally started to get the ball in the back of the net, with Callum Sanghera scoring the 2<sup>nd</sup>, Jadynd Dundas with the 3<sup>rd</sup> and Logan Lowes with the 4<sup>th</sup>. Court Moor scored with the last kick of the game to make it 4-2.

### **Gymnastics success for Archie**

Congratulations to Archie Knowles (Year 9) who has been selected to represent the South Region again at the National Finals in November. Good luck Archie!

### **England Football training for Jenna**

Congratulations to Jenna Nall (Year 11) who will be training at the England Football camp this weekend.

### **Lifeguard Training Award for Sophie and Paige**

Congratulations to Sophie Virgin-Elliston (Year 9), who passed her Gold 1 certificate from The Royal Life Saving Society for lifeguard training. She has already achieved all levels at Bronze and Silver. This is an extremely useful award to achieve. Well done Sophie!

Congratulations to Paige Harvey (Year 9) who received her Stage 10 swimming certificate and her Rookie Life Saving Gold 2 & Gold 3 awards. Well done Paige!

### **Year 11 Football team**

The Year 11 Football team have seen plenty of action in the last 2 weeks with 2 league games and a County Cup game. The season kicked off with the cup game against Teddington who proved difficult to break down even when they had a man sent off at the end of the first half. Tomlinscote won the game in the last minute and go through to the next round. Up next were Collingwood; we spent much of the match in and around the Collingwood penalty area but found it difficult to break them down with 10 men behind the ball. The breakthrough came via Joe Waight and Tommy McCanna found a second before the final whistle. Tomlinscote got off to a very slow start in our most recent game against Eggar's where we found ourselves trailing by 3 goals in the first 20 minutes. We managed to pull a goal back and looked to be playing the better football at one stage. Eggar's came out stronger in the second half and added another to their tally which killed the game off. A change in gear came all too late for our boys with a second goal coming 4 minutes from time but the clock ran down whilst we started playing our best football of the match.

### **Years 9 and 10 Netball teams**

The Year 9 & 10 Netball teams played Woking High. The Year 9 girls lost, but made a valiant effort in the 3rd and 4th quarter to pull back some points. Player of the match was Millie Bates. The Year 10 team played really well and won 18-11. The player of the match was Leah Rushforth.



## **Parental Forum**

The Tomlinscote School Parental Forum meets three times per academic year to share views and ideas on numerous topics pertinent to the school. The items for discussion are circulated beforehand. All parents and carers are welcome to come along. The dates for this academic year are:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Venue</u>
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> November 2017	7pm	The Bee Hive
Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> February 2018	7pm	The Main Hall
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> May 2018	7pm	The Main Hall

## **Young Enterprise Fiver Challenge**

Congratulations to Marcus, Brendan, Nathan, Charlie and Shea (Year 7). They won Best Group for 9-11 Year olds in the Young Enterprise Fiver Challenge.

This was something that they were involved with at Ravenscote School and the boys received their award in September.

## **Mobile Phones**

We would like to emphasise that students are NOT allowed to bring mobile phones to school or take them on a school trip. The only exception is for students on the French and German Exchange trips and Sixth Form students.

This situation has always been the case at Tomlinscote and if staff are made aware that a phone is in school then it will be confiscated for 5 school days in the first instance. We are pleased that this situation was also agreed by the Parental Forum at our last meeting.

We really need your support with this policy and to ensure that phones are not brought to school or on trips.

Mr Major and Mr Hylan



## **Head Lice**

We would like to inform parents that there have recently been a couple of cases of head lice identified in school. Please can you check your child and treat as necessary.

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