# **Important Notices and Upcoming Events**

#### **Attendance**

Late Detentions on Friday's after School. A reminder to all parents that these are for lateness to school registration and lessons:-

- Student late twice in one week 40 minutes
- Three lates in one week 1 hour
- Four lates in one week 1 hour and 20 mins
- Five lates or more in one week 1 hour and 40 mins
- Gentle reminder please report your child's absence on a daily basis.

#### How to Report Student Absence

Please remember that ANY student absence needs to be reported on a daily basis by

- ⇒ telephoning 020 8695 2100 Option 1 or extension 105
- ⇒ emailing <u>attendance@bp.lewisham.sch.uk</u> or <u>cordreys@bp.lewisham.sch.uk</u>
- ⇒ Or text (by replying to a text we have sent you previously)

Please ensure that you speak clearly, leave the student's name, form and the reason the student will be absent. You must also remember to send a letter with the student on their first day back explaining the absence for the records.

### **2016/2017 Term Dates**

# Spring Term 2

Tuesday, 3rd January to Friday 31st March

#### **Summer Term**

Tuesday 18th April to Wednesday 19 July (Half Term is from 29th May to 2nd June)

#### **AUTUMN TERM 2017**

Monday 4 September to Friday 20 October (Half Term is from 23 to 27 October) Monday 30 October to Wednesday 20 December

#### **Upcoming Events:**

#### March 2017

14th March - Pi Day

24th March - Y10 Geography — Lake District Trip

- Lewisham Book Quiz

29th March - Y7 Academic Reviews & Ys 8-11 Citizenship Day

30th March - Y9 Parents' Evening

**April 2017** 

3rd - 17th April - Easter Holidays

18th April - INSET DAY—College closed to students

19th April - Maths Count on Us Challenge Trip

Y8 Gifted & Talented University Taster Day

21st April - Y7 Day Trip to France



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# **Principal's News**

#### Women's event at The House of Commons

On Thursday evening we attended The House of Commons for a special Year 9 and 10 girls' event as part of the world women's' month. A fantastic and special event with successful women speaking to our girls in a fantastic location! More details and photos to follow next week.

World Book Day - well done to Mrs Baverstock and to Year 7 students



There were lots Year 7 students who had dressed up as a character form a book - but in the end there were only four students who won the overall prize for best interpretation of a book character and they are:

Nicole Joyce-Stoute Kira Ludwig Janelle Tedam Gabriela Kurczyna

A massive well done to these four girls and to all year 7 students who dressed up.

Jack Petchey Awards - well done to Mrs Patrick for organising the Bonus Pastor involvement at The Jack Petchey Award ceremony at The Broadway Theatre on Wednesday evening. Bonus won big!!



Clarissa Ragrag also performed in her usual amazing manner!

Well done to Clarissa Ragrag,

Vinceray Ikegbunam, Oliver

nominated by our students.

well done to

Chidi Ikwunze, Thalia Dougourou,

Greenslade, Daniel-Luke Mbondo

O'Driscoll and Anthony James. Also

Mr Petrie who also won an award as

Lovely photos here of students alongside Sara Williams Director of Children's services for Lewisham.

Mrs Holden - Principal

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# **Attendance & Punctuality**

#### **Attendance**

Please see inside the back page for information on how to report your child absent. **Punctuality** 

| Tutor Groups with<br>highest attendance | %       | Year Group<br>Attendance | %      |  |  |
|---|---------|--------------------------|--------|--|--|
| 7MR                                     | 98.57%  | 7                        | 97.30% |  |  |
| 8LM                                     | 99.60%  | 8                        | 97.34% |  |  |
| 9DA                                     | 99.20%  | 9                        | 96.63% |  |  |
| 10PJB                                   | 991.30% | 10                       | 96.97% |  |  |
| 11JY 🙀                                  | 100%    | 11                       | 97.94% |  |  |
| Overall school                          | 97.23%  |                          |        |  |  |



| ATTENDANCE MATTERS     |        |  |  |  |  |  |
|------------------------|--------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Last Week's attendance | 96.34% |  |  |  |  |  |

| Year 7<br>Tutor<br>Groups | Lates | Year<br>8<br>Tutor<br>Grou<br>ps | Lates | Year 9<br>Tutor<br>Groups | Lates | Year 10<br>Tutor<br>Groups | Lates | Year 11<br>Tutor<br>Groups | Lates      |
|---------------------------|-------|----------------------------------|-------|---------------------------|-------|----------------------------|-------|----------------------------|------------|
| 7CC                       | 4     | 8CB                              | 3     | 9AD                       | 11    | 10CBR                      | 2     | 11CH                       | 3          |
| 7DM                       | 9     | 8CD                              | 6     | 9CE                       | 3     | 10GL                       | 4     | 11EP                       | 2          |
| 7JJ                       | 6     | 8LM                              | 5     | 9CM                       | 10    | 10JS 🦠                     | 1     | 11EPR                      | 4          |
| 7MMA                      | 4     | 8SC                              | 6     | 9DA                       | 10    | 10PJB                      | 3     | 11EW                       | 4          |
| 7MR                       | 5     | 8TB                              | 11    | 9EM                       | 7     | 10SD                       | 4     | 11JY                       | 4          |
| 7SY                       | 5     | 8VC                              | 4     | 9MA                       | 7     | 10SS                       | 7     | 11PJ                       | 2          |
| Total                     | 33    | Total                            | 35    | Total                     | 48    | Total                      | 21    | Total                      | <b>1</b> 9 |

**Total Number of Student Lates: 156** (Last Week's Total: 226)

# **Attendance Awards**

Achieved 100% Attendance: 11JY Best Attendance overall: Year 11

**Punctuality Awards** Achieved 0 Lates: ~

Best Punctuality overall: Year 11

The Year group that gets the most "Best Overall Attendance" and "Best Punctuality awards" over this term will get 5 house points for every student.

NB: Lateness to school twice in one week will account for an after school detention on the Friday of that week—see back page for more information.

Failure to attend a Friday Detention may result in a Saturday Detention being given.

### **Student Voice News**

Elections have taken place in Student Voice, the votes have been counted and verified. I can confirm that the following students have been elected and taken up post in the roles listed

The idea is that these roles will motivate students to take more of a lead in Student Voice and make sure the work they do is shared with students across the school.

#### Congratulations to:

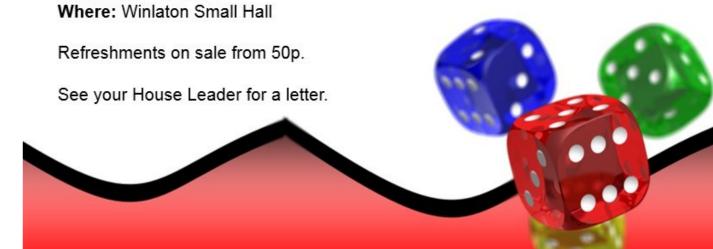
President – Clarissa Ragrag Vice President - Claire Gainey Secretary – Emily Shanthakumar 'Marketing' - Daniella Boateng



# **Board Game Café**

When: Tuesday 14th March 2017

Time: 3.05 - 5.00pm



#### **PE News**

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# Netball Match Report — Olivia Tchine ~ BPCC student and London Pulse team member

On Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> February Ms David, Ms Fullilove and Mrs Jones along with some lovely netball students went to watch Olivia Tchine compete in the NPL London Pulse Team vs Hertfordshire Mavericks, at the Copper Box Arena.

The event #Make London Super consisted of a big build up to Olivia's 'Big Match'. We first had two dance performances to watch which were amazing. The first dance act was 'Khronos Agoria' Britain's Got Talent semi-finalists. Their dance involved boy's martial arts which was exciting and explosive! The second dance act was a dance medley performed by the Brit School students. This was upbeat and extremely well-rehearsed.

At 3:45pm there was a warm-up game by the England Men's Netball Team vs The All Star's Team, which consisted of celebrities. Actress and Writer Meera Syal famous for The Kumars at Number 42 and Goodness Gracious Me, Olympic Medallist - Rower Jessica Eddie and Jazz Singer and Actress Collette Cooper were all on the court as part of the London Pulse All Stars! They were joined by some rather exciting and well known former England players. The England Men's Netball Team Won 18-12, which you would expect them too. This game was very fun to watch as there were some funny characters on the court.

Before the 6pm start time of Olivia's match her team came to warm-up at 5:15pm. The 45 minute warm-up was inspiring for our students to see as a lot of preparation and hard-work was already being executed. The first quarter of the game was extremely close with the score line being level for the majority of the game. Olivia appeared nervous but still put away some fantastic shots as GS. London Pulse were behind by four goals 16-12 when returning to the court for the second quarter. The second quarter was the toughest for both teams. Hertfordshire Mavericks were making some great interceptions and London Pulse were also. London Pulse managed to win some more points to increase their score and catch up with Mavericks. The score line was extremely close at half time with Mavericks on 25 and Pulse on 25. Olivia had the rest she needed at half time and then came back with more ease and confidence for the third and final guarters. The third guarter was outstanding from the Pulse team after bringing on some fresh legs and making more drives and cuts than ever, London Pulse lead 43-36. They went into the fourth quarter ahead by six points. Pulse took their chances and ran with it. Olivia was on fire as she held her position and was fed the ball by her C and WA with accuracy and control. The final score was London Pulse 60 – 50 Hertfordshire Mavericks. This was an outstanding achievement for London Pulse as they are the new London Team and this was their first ever game playing against well-known and established Hertfordshire Mavericks.

The female PE teachers and students that came to watch Olivia were very proud of her efforts and abilities on the court, which was reflected in her coach keeping her on the court for the whole entire game.

Well done Olivia what an excellent role model. We wish yourself and London Pulse U19 every success.



#### **Faith Matters**

Having reached the first Sunday in Lent we are well on our way in preparation for Easter and the Resurrection of our Lord. I read a beautiful description of Pope Francis' speech for Lent, written by one of my priests. I would like to share this with you:-

For Christians the season of Lent, lasting from now until Easter on 16 April, is traditionally a time for fasting, abstinence and more concentrated giving to charity, along with trying to improve our spiritual lives and making an effort to look at where our lives are going. Even if we're not religious it is possible to see the value of a time of the year when we can 'change gear'.

Moreover, as we see every year before Christmas, many people in our country, of all faith backgrounds or none, give very generously to charity.

This last aspect of Lent is addressed by Pope Francis in the special message he has issued for Lent this year. In it he reflects on Jesus' parable in the gospel of Luke of the Rich Man and Lazarus (Luke chapter 16, verses 19-31). As you may know Jesus tells a story of how a poor man, named Lazarus, languishes outside the house of a rich man who feasts inside his house without helping out the poor man outside. They both then die and their positions are reversed. The poor man is in heaven, the rich man in torment. The



pope writes: 'The parable then shows that the rich man's greed makes him vain. His personality finds expression in appearances, in showing others what he can do. But his appearance masks an interior emptiness. His life is a prisoner to outward appearances, to the most superficial and fleeting aspects of existence. The rich man dresses like a king and acts like a god, forgetting that he is merely mortal. For those corrupted by love of riches, nothing exists beyond their own ego. Those around them do not come into their line of sight. The result of attachment to

money is a sort of blindness. The rich man does not see the poor man who is starving, hurting, lying at his door.' There is something here in the pope's words for all of us - and many people in the world who need help and compassion; for all of us Lent can be a time to grow, to try and become better people.

#### Reflection:

<sup>7</sup> "And in praying do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do; for they think that they

will be heard for their many words. <sup>8</sup> Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him. <sup>9</sup> Pray then like this:

Our Father who art in heaven,

Hallowed be thy name.

<sup>10</sup> Thy kingdom come,

Thy will be done.

On earth as it is in heaven.

<sup>11</sup> Give us this day our daily bread;

<sup>12</sup> And forgive us our debts,

As we also have forgiven our debtors;

<sup>13</sup> And lead us not into temptation,

But deliver us from evil. (Matthew 6:7-13)

