



Weekly News

16th November 2018

Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome to this week's newsletter.

We have been remembering the Centenary of the end of World War One in assemblies all this week. Sunday's commemoration in the Old Town was very poignant and I was proud that so many of our students participated in school uniform or as cadets. I am sure that all those who were there will certainly remember that day for a long time. In school, students have observed a minute's silence, and reflected on poetry and music on the theme of Remembrance. Miss Phillips selected very powerful poems and music. Sixth formers read the poems with sensitivity and clarity.

We celebrate a number of sporting successes this week, as you can see below. Well done to all.

Three of our young music leaders participated in a workshop on Tuesday and this will continue as part of Stevenage's cultural drive over the next two years.

All year groups attended a learning event yesterday led by inspirational safeguarding expert Marilyn Hawes. She provided a timely challenge to all our young people to keep themselves safe online and on the street and this ties into our PSHE programme. It was good to see many parents here for the evening session of last night.

Next week year 11 and 13 have their mock exams and I wish them all the very best for this important step in their progress towards next summer's GCSEs and A levels.

I hope you have a good weekend

Fact of the week... Editor Bennett Cerf challenged Dr. Seuss to write a book using no more than 50 words. The result was *Green Eggs and Ham*.

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Sports Leadership Event

15 Barclay sports leaders across years 7, 8 and 9, as part of Barclay's sports leaders programme, attended a leadership event at Stevenage leisure centre, organised by Stevenage Sporting Futures. Their role was to guide, support and lead KS1 pupils around to different sporting stations throughout the day. These pupils did a fantastic job and will be repeating the day next week to KS2 pupils. Well done to all involved, names below.

Ella Alderson, Maddison Knight, Dally Gogognon, Max Upchurch, Scott Yates, Lewie Harding, Taylor Buchanan, Wyatt Croucher, Olivia McMahon, Faye Feagan, Lily Davison, Caitlin O'Sullivan, Charlie Mills, Gaby Austin, Francesca Beretta.

Sporting Successes

Our year 10 Hockey team came 4th in the District including schools from Stevenage, Hitchin, Letchworth and Baldock. They played excellently and it was a very close game against Hitchin Girls, who we drew 1-1 after conceding in the final 30 seconds. Star Players of the Tournament Jasmyn Patmore and Josie Bygrave. Well done.

Our Girls girls football team won their match against Barnwell 5 - 2 on Tuesday. They played really well and scored some fantastic goals. The team was: Isabelle Wright (Captain), Erin Hayter, Chelsea New, Jessica Dunnett, Madison Knight, Abeigh Alcock, Abbie Webster, Julie Dymoke, Kelsey Cooper

e-Safety Workshop

On Thursday the school got involved in an e-Safety workshop working with Marilyn Hawes learning about Freedom from Abuse which was a hard-hitting workshop for all students, staff and parents. Thank you to all who came to the evening.

Student of the Week...

Year 7 - William Robinson - Nominated by Mrs Smith – PE Teacher for a great start to the Hockey unit during PE	Year 8 – Taylor Jones - Nominated by Mrs Moore – Cover Teacher for showing resilience and perseverance whilst tackling percentage	Year 9 – Thomas Lay - Nominated by Mr Corrigan – Geography Teacher for his excellent and well considered Geography Assessment which was	Year 10 - Hayden Vooght - Nominated by Mrs Norman – Head of Film Studies for being absolutely brilliant directing/filming the	Year 11 - Samuel Swan - Nominated by Miss Buttercase – Head of English for working really hard to make sure he is prepared for his
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showing fluency with dribbling.	questions resulting in good learning and outcomes	analytical and very critical.	Operation Edge Project.	English mock next week and for his excellent contributions in class, reflecting his hard work.
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