

# Newsletter

Useful information for students, parents and the community

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## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

### WEEK A

Mon 13<sup>th</sup> Oct Whole school Photos  
Governors Christian Ethos  
Group 4.00pm

Tue 14<sup>th</sup> Oct Tetanus/Polio/Diphtheria  
Injections

Wed 15<sup>th</sup> Oct Open Evening  
6.30pm – 9.00pm

Thu 16<sup>th</sup> Oct Full Governors Meeting  
7.00pm

### WEEK B

Mon 20<sup>th</sup> Oct Yr 11 Parent Consultation  
School closes @ 1.00pm  
College Cabaret  
Performance week

Tue 21<sup>st</sup> Oct Tetanus/Polio/Diphtheria  
Injections (catch-ups)

Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct Governors Finance Meeting  
4.00pm

Thu 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct Governors Meeting  
Pay & Personnel 4.00pm

As you will know we have had Ofsted in this week conducting a school inspection. We are pleased with the initial judgements that have been made about the school and will be able to share these with you over the next few weeks when the report is officially published. The Ofsted process is important as it helps to provide quality assurance to what we do in school. One of the outcomes of Ofsted will be an action plan that we will devise to show how we will make further progress. We will be sharing this with you later on in the term.

Jim Parker

## NEW CAREERS OPPORTUNITIES AHEAD

Next Monday, 20 October, from 2.15pm until 3.15pm we have a visit from Major Hoensch of the Armed Forces Careers Office. He will be able to talk to you about and answer questions on careers in the Army, Air Force or Navy. This would be an ideal opportunity for students in Year 10, Year 11 and Year 12 to find out more about applications, jobs, training and to ask questions in an informal atmosphere.

If you would like to join in, please come and find me in the Careers Office at the back of D block on Wednesday to give me your name.

Mrs J Stubbs  
Work related Learning Co-ordinator

## DUNSTABLE COLLEGE COURSES: TASTER COURSES IN OCTOBER:

Wednesday 15 October: 1 – 3 pm (*will mean missing periods 4 & 5*)

- Travel & Tourism – Air Cabin Crew
- Multi-sport – Fitness, Sports Therapy & Coaching

## Thursday 16 October: 10 – 3 pm (ALL DAY EVENT)

- Hair & Beauty Day

**Flexible Dates & Times can be arranged to learn more about**

**CACHE childcare course. See Mrs Stubbs in Careers Office (Mondays to Wednesdays) or email me at [stubbsj@mansheadschoo.co.uk](mailto:stubbsj@mansheadschoo.co.uk)**

**C/ BT Apprenticeships (“Heroes required with 3 – 5 GCSEs grade C and above”): call Amy Flynn on 01234 – 242447.**

Mrs J Stubbs

## TEENAGE READING

It's not always easy to get teenagers to read; so here are some recommendations of books that have been read and enjoyed by some of our students....

### **Twilight – by Stephenie Meyer**

This is the first of a series of books about first love, forbidden love and vampires!

Described by The Times as...**“guaranteed to suck in sulky 13+ girls for hours”**

and with the first book being released as a film in December this series will be popular for a long time.



### **The Cherub series – by Robert Muchamore**

#### **Book 1 The Recruit**

A fast-paced action thriller - this is the first of 12 books in the series

(10 have been published so far)

The blurb reads...***a terrorist doesn't let strangers into their home but their children bring their mates home; the terrorist doesn't know that one of these kids has bugged every room...this kid works for Cherub.***



All books in these series are available to borrow from our school library.

**Mrs S Yates**  
Librarian

## PARENT GOVERNOR NOMINATIONS

We currently have a Parent Governor vacancy on our Governing Body. A separate letter, inviting nominations from parents, together with information about being a Parent Governor, was sent home recently via your son or daughter. Further nomination forms are available from the school office and should be returned by Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October. If there are more nominations than vacancies, an election will be held.

If you would like any further information, please contact

**Sue Wilson, Clerk to the Governing Body:**  
Tel: 01582 679415.

## SCHOOL PRODUCTION 2008-09

We are very pleased to be able to formally announce the title of Manshead's school production for this academic year- ***School's Will Rock You***. This production is a school version of the massive west end hit show *We Will Rock You* and should therefore provide a fantastic opportunity for any student who wishes to be involved. Auditions for main characters will be held before half term and any student wishing to be part of the chorus is welcome to join in with the show also.

Watch this space!!

**Mrs Foster, Mrs Owen & Mr Hooper**  
Music Technology

## CAST FOR THE SCHOOL PRODUCTION

We are very pleased to announce that the main characters in this year's school production of ***School's Will Rock You*** will be played by:

**Galileo- Steven Peacock (Yr13)**

**Scaramouche- Eilish Murphy (Yr11)**

**Killer Queen- Joanna Harris (Yr13)**

**Meat- Nadine Turk (Yr10)**

**Britney- Jahale Jureidini-McLeod (Yr9)**

**Khashoggi- James Clark (Yr11)**

**Pop- Simon Willis (Yr12)**

**Teen Queens- Jenny Flower (Yr11), Charlotte Harrison-Webb (Yr11), Danni Devine (Yr11) and Brooke Tyler (Yr11)**

Thank you very much to everyone who auditioned on Tuesday! It was a really fantastic day and really encouraging to see so many students attend the auditions. Smaller parts are yet to be cast and Chorus is open to everyone so please join in. Dance auditions will be next Tuesday lunchtime.

Thanks,

**Mrs Owen, Mrs Foster & Mr Hooper**  
Production Team

## UNDER 16 RUGBY COUNTY CUP

### **Manshead 0 Hastingsbury 15**

With 9 players missing from the victory over Queensbury, Manshead played with valour and pride to admit defeat to a surprised Hastingsbury.

Well played to **Jamie Squibb** and **Michael Minchin** who played a year above themselves.

**Mr K Gordon**  
School Sports Co-ordinator

## **UNDER 15'S ENGLISH SCHOOLS NATIONAL CUP**

### **Kingswood 8 Manshead 3**

Travelling up to Corby was obviously too much to handle for the 'superior passing' Manshead team, but the brute force and long ball appeared to be our downfall.

**Mr K Gordon**  
**School Sports Co-ordinator**

## **NETBALL RESULTS**

### **Year 11**

- v - Cedars Won 23 -10
- v - Queensbury Lost 11 -10

### **Year 9**

- v - Cedars Lost 11 - 8
- v - Queensbury Lost 10 - 3

Many thanks

**Ms C D'Emanuele**  
**Teacher P.E.**

## **RUGBY QUARTER FINALS**

### **Under 14's County Cup Rugby**

Ashcroft - 17 Manshead - 15

### **Under 15's County Cup Rugby**

Manshead - 10 Harlington - 31

Manshead unfortunately went out in both competitions to narrow losses. Hopefully next year will be more successful.

**Mr K Gordon**  
**School Sports Co-ordinator**