



HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

- As we draw to the close of the first term, I look back, as ever, in wonder at all the activities Shene students have had the opportunity to be involved with. Since September, I have heard of the following:
 - Gifted and Talented Year 11 students are working with a social entrepreneur to develop a project on agroforestry in some of the world's areas of greatest need. They are aiming to market and sell fair trade and organic tea in the local community and map our carbon footprint in school, with a view to significantly reducing it. The organisation they are working with – SIFE – hopes to create young people who leave school as nascent entrepreneurs. They also intend to leave a legacy for the school after they have left.
 - 5 pupils are to be selected to dance with some students from the Royal Ballet. They will be supported by the National Gallery who select a painting which their dance will bring to life
 - Year 9 pupils will dance at the Sadlers Wells theatre following 10 training sessions
 - Year 8 pupils are attending Harlequins each week for Try Learning, an exciting learning initiative combining the academic

and sporting curricula

- Year 10 students are performing a play to celebrate Black History Month at the Powerstation in Barnes and to our primary schools
- Sports successes are rolling in and we are advancing in the EFSA National Cup
- Further news on the academy: the school, the Local Authority and the Academies and Enterprise Trust, the preferred sponsor, have prepared an Expression of Interest, which is a longish paper explaining in fairly broad terms what the academy will mean for Shene School. We have proposed ideas and strategies which we think parents/carers, students and potential Shene families will find attractive. More details about this will soon be available, including the whole document, and all stakeholders and potential stakeholders will be invited to consultation meetings.

Ms L Kirby
Headteacher, Shene School

FOOTBALL NEWS

Y 10/11 played their first league fixture earlier this month, securing a vital 3 points at home to Christ's. Due to the History trip the team consisted of Year 10s making the step up and Ishmail, Conor and Matthew providing experience down the spine of the team. Shene started strongly taking the lead through a great poacher's strike from Josh. Within minutes Christ's equalised from a badly defended set piece. Ishmail taunted the opposition defence throughout the half and scored 2 more to make it 3-1 at half time. The standard of play descended in the second half as Christ's scored a bizarre own goal then Josh scored again within a minute. At 5-

1 Shene switched off and let Christ's back into the game, making it 5-4. Some good last ditch defending and a couple of great saves from stand in 'keeper Youcef kept the visitors at bay. Josh made sure of the points completing his hat trick and sealing a 6-4 victory.

Team: Lehat, Shaw (McQueen), Goddard, Lawton, Hurdle-Allen, Duncan (Etienne), Russell, Johnson, Roby (Sang), Olufemi, McCarthy-Davis



Mr J Costello

TRY LEARNING TRIUMPHS

Our group of Year 8 Try Learning Students recently interviewed a selection of the Harlequins rugby team and these have been published online. I have attached a link below. Do have a look—there is some quite impressive writing here.

http://kmi4schools.e2bn.net/igfl_try_learning/

Ms S Richardson

PTA QUIZ NIGHT

The PTA is hosting a Family Quiz Night on **Thursday 12 November at 6.30 pm** in Hertford Hall. There will be a bar where you can buy snacks and drinks but please feel free to bring your own supper. Tickets are available at the door and cost £5 for adults and £2 for children and this price includes one drink. Family tickets are £12 (2 adults/2 children).



Ashley Ovenden studying on Kingston College's Jaguar Land Rover Young Apprenticeship scheme has won Young Apprentice of the Year 2009 award in recognition of his hard-work and commitment. The awards ceremony was held at Wroxall Abbey in Birmingham the former home of Sir Christopher Wren.

Ashley, now in his second year, was pleased to win an award. He said: *"I was very pleased to receive this award and my parents are extremely proud."* His course tutor Chris said: *"Ashley has worked very hard.... He is now in his final year of the Young Apprenticeship scheme and is on target to pass. He is enthusiastic and doing well."*

Ashley's course lasts for two years and when he has successfully completed it, he will achieve a Level 2 Technical Certificate in Vehicle Maintenance and Repair.

STUDENT COUNCIL VISIT TO CITY HALL

On Thursday 8th October Mrs. James took 10 Student Council representatives from years 7-10 to the annual Richmond-Upon-Thames Student Council Meeting held at City

Hall.

It started with all the Student Councils having lunch together. We had a guided tour of City Hall and had our Student Council meeting inside the assembly hall where Boris Johnson holds his meetings. Pupils learned about the Youth Parliament Elections which will be held in 2010. We also had an interactive quiz about London and learned why it is important to get involved in your local community. We all had a very enjoyable day out..



Looking forward to more Student Council events shortly!

Mrs V James

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Some year 10 GCSE Drama students were asked to work with Wayne Simons on a borough wide performance. The year 10 students have been performing a short piece that details the lives of famous and not so famous Black history characters. This is then followed by performances from floeticlara and drummers.

On Tuesday 20th October two performances were held in Hertford Hall for primary school students.

On Wednesday 21st October there were performances all day for Shene students.

On Friday 23rd October there will be an evening performance at 6.00 pm at the Powerstation in Barnes (tickets free).

Ms C Simms



DITCH THE PARTY JOIN THE WORKOUT!!!!

ZUMBA CLASSES IN SHEEN

Latin and international music are fused to create an explosive, booty shakin' party of a workout that will target all those problem areas and leave you on a high! This workout will burn more calories than any other class you do! It's fun! Zumba is "Exercise in Disguise." Participants are having so much fun, they do not realise they are exercising. It's different! The music, the steps, the moves, the class, the feel....are all like no other! It's easy! Zumba is designed for everyone. Participants of any fitness level, any background, or any age can start to Zumba. It's effective! Zumba is a cardio-based workout with components of resistance/sculpting training to tone the entire body.

LET'S GET THE PARTY STARTED!!!
Shene School – Saturday mornings (from Oct 31st) – 9.45 'til 10.45 £5 per class
Booking essential to avoid disappointment
CALL RACHEL for more information on 07967 104195
Or go to www.Zumba-london.com for more details

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