



Year 11 Prom 2024





21 June 2024





























Message from the Headteacher

With GCSE exams finally completed, staff and Year 11 students were dressed to the nines on Wednesday evening as we celebrated the Year 11 Prom in the idyllic setting of Forty Hall. Head of Year, Ms Walt and her team had dressed the hall and courtyard to perfection and prepared some wonderful treats and prizes. In a shock early election result, Savan was voted most likely to become Prime Minister, Alex James was the most likely Oscar-winner and Ellie and Giorgio were voted Prom Queen and King by their fellow students.

As I write, we are looking forward to the Year 11 to Sixth Form transition day on Friday – pictures to follow next week.

Sunday marks the beginning of Pentecost; we will be having another visit from Deacon Gregory to celebrate with us on Tuesday.

It was wonderful to see Year 5 from nearby St Paul's Primary School visiting us for a science lesson on Tuesday and enjoying looking at their pond water samples under the microscope. They produced some very accurate drawings of Daphnia (water fleas). If you know any parents of Year 5 pupils who live locally do please mention our FREE Year 5 Summer School on 24-26 July (further details on our school website).



# Faith – Sunday of Pentecost

The Feast of Holy Pentecost is celebrated each year on the fiftieth day after the Great and Holy Feast of Pascha (Easter) and ten days after the Feast of the Ascension of Christ. The Feast is always celebrated on a Sunday.

The Feast commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles on the day of Pentecost, a feast of the Jewish tradition. It also celebrates the establishment of the Church through the preaching of the Apostles and the baptism of the thousands who on that day believed in the Gospel message of salvation through Jesus Christ. The Feast is also seen as the culmination of the revelation of the Holy Trinity.

We look forward to welcoming back Father Gregory and Father Peter from St Mary's Wood Green, to lead our services for Pentecost in school assemblies on Tuesday.















# National Sports Week 17 -21 June 2024

This week St Andrew the Apostle celebrated National Sports Week by running interform rounders tournament across Yr. 7, 8, 9 and 10. Sports captains took on leadership opportunities in each year group by selecting teams for each match. Each form group participated in rounders match against each form group within the year. Form groups received one point for a draw, none for a loss and three points for a win. The winning form were as follows: 7J, 8P, 9S, 10S.

Highlights across the week saw brilliant catches from Matheos (Y7) and Myronas (Y10) with a brilliant caught and bowled.















"BE KIND TO ONE ANOTHER, FORGIVING ONE ANOTHER, AS GOD FORGAVE YOU." EPHESIANS 4:32

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# St Pauls CofE Primary School Visit



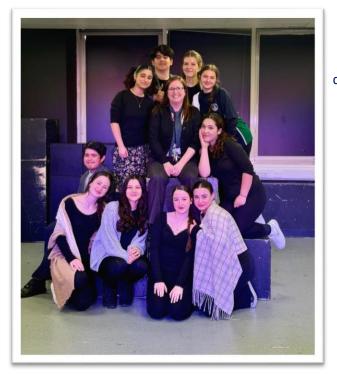
Year 5 students from St Pauls CofE Primary learnt how to use a microscope on their visit to St Andrew. They first practised on prepared slides of blood vessels and plant cells, then collected their own cheek cells to look at under the microscope before moving on to the live specimens from the pond water near the school

We saw copepods, brine shrimp, daphnia and lots of other organisms

Students practised focusing the microscope and ended by drawing what they could see.







### **GCSE Drama**

Congratulations to the year 10 Drama group who performed their devised pieces for their component 1 GCSE Drama exam. The group have been working very hard over the past 10 weeks to prepare original pieces of work for assessment. The students did very well in their recorded performances, and I look forward to seeing the written coursework for this component being as strong as their practical work! Well done to Crina, Mary, Asher, Isabella, Isha, Tyler, Marco, Maria, Mimi and Ella for all of your hard work - keep it up!

Mrs Nelson | Head of Y7 & Y9 & Lead Teacher of Drama

## **Protest Poetry Challenge**

In this week's Y9 assembly the finalists of the Protest Poetry Challenge delighted us with the recitations of their own protest poems. Truly WELL DONE to all the finalist from each English group who performed – you showed outstanding creativity, commitment and bravery. They are:

Alexei with the poem "Voice"
Michael G with "Reality"
Haryad with "Fists"
Anna Maria A with "War"
Dimitris with "Life Will Never Be The Same"
Kaine K with "Grind Season"
Raz with "Blazers"
Luca O with "No Homework"
Zsofia with "Gallop"
Chrysanthos with "I Don't Like School"
Anna-Maria D. with "Generation Expectations'
Panagiotis with "Stop Wasting Time"



Ms Nelson had a challenging task of judging the competition which saw students voicing their opinion on a range of subjects, from frustrations of being silenced, misjudged and stereotyped to the call for peace, seizing the moment, freedom and, of course, banning homework. Congratulations for joint second place to Anna-Maria for a moving piece on unrealistic expectations, and Kaine for encouraging all Y9 students to "grind" their future.

Panagiotis was declared our Protest Poetry Champion with his call to carpe diem:

"...For decades you toiled in the cubicle of stress and monotony Making someone else's dreams come true. You fuelled the corporate machine desperately, So maybe one day you could fulfil your dreams too..."
From "Stop Wasting Time" by Panagiotis

Ms Bassington | Head of English













Free SEND travel training workshop
Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> August 2024
10.15am – 11.50am OR 12.15pm – 1.50pm
RAF Museum, Colindale

Parents and carers, we would love to welcome you and your child(ren) to our fun and friendly summer travel training session. Suitable for children and young people (Year 6 and above) with SEND or those who are particularly vulnerable or anxious whilst travelling on public transport. Top travel tips will be shared to help make travelling easier and safer in this interactive workshop.

Limited spaces available – book soon to avoid disappointment! Please contact <u>road.safety@barnet.gov.uk</u> for more information and a booking form.

#### Free Dr Bike sessions in Barnet

Due to the success of the Dr Bikes in Barnet, particularly among parents/carers and children, these will be running again from July. The free Dr Bike sessions will be run by qualified bicycle mechanics. Members of the public can take along their bicycles to have a free, full safety check, which includes the condition of tyres, rims, gears, brake function and tyre pressure and adjustments can be made if required, all for free.



Location Name	Location Description	Date	Time
Finchley, Lodge Lane car	Yellow chevrons immediately to the right of the	10/07/2024	4pm to 7pm
park	entrance to the Car Park (opposite NL Auction		
	Rooms N12 8JH)		
Temple Fortune	By Bike racks outside entrance to M&S Food Hall	24/07/2024	4pm to 7pm
	at 820 Finchley Road, NW11 6XL		
Middlesex University	Pavement on The Burroughs, outside Middlesex	07/08/2024	4pm to 7pm
	University adjacent to Hendon Fire Station, 91 The		
	Burroughs, NW4 4BL		
High Barnet, Stapylton Rd	Area immediately to the right of carpark entrance	28/08/2024	4pm to 7pm
car park	(EN5 4LR)		



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