



Dear Parents

Good luck to Year 11 who are taking their mock exams next week!

I hope everyone has a good half-term break.

Year 7 History trip to Chepstow Castle

The History department took the whole of year 7 to Chepstow castle on Friday 28th January. The trip would provide inspiration and information for the Year 7 Castle Project.



Despite the bitterly cold weather the boys bravely explored every inch of this superb Norman Castle, they studied its state of the art defences, scaled its towers and plundered the gift shop. We returned to school in time for lunch, frozen but full of enthusiasm for the work ahead.

Letters you should have received!!

Year 13 Parents' Evening Appointments – 10 March - Mr Dixon
Year 9 Dads' and Lads' 9 March - Miss Winchester

Forthcoming events:-

Fri 11- Sun 13 Feb – Ten Tors – Black Mountains
Mon 14 Feb Year 11 Mock Exams Week
Mon 14 Feb Parents' Evening 9T and 9U
Tues 15 Feb Year 12 trip to Oxford University
Tues 15 Feb 7.00pm Information Evening for Junior Rugby Trip to Paris, in the School Room
Thur 17 Feb 'Open Mic' Night in the Theatre
Fri 18 School finishes at 4.00pm for Half Term

Mon 28 Feb Year 8 Enrichment Week
Mon 28 Feb Visit to SS Great Britain and Aquarium
Thur 3 Mar World Book Day
Thur 3 Mar Yr 10-13 Army Careers Interviews
Fri 4 –Sun 6 Mar Ten Tors, South Wales
Sun 6 Mar Classical Concert, St. Georges, Brandon Hill

Duke of Edinburgh Awards

Congratulations to the following boys who were awarded with their DoE Awards:-

Bronze:

Christopher Andrews
David Barnsley
Matthew Cohen
Will Hammond
Oliver Lindsey

Leo Miller
William Pearce
Ozzie Rashed
Matthew Thomas
Chris Woodman

Silver:

Michael Bender
David Holliday

Mufti Day

Our latest mufti day was for Meningitis Research. Zak Milsom (Year 13) gave an impassioned appeal for support in assembly. Zak had suffered as an infant and he wanted everyone not only to be generous but also to be vigilant as the signs for the disease are well known and early diagnosis is vital. £460 was raised.

French Workshop

7 AS linguists from Badminton came for the first time to QEH to do an intensive French-speaking workshop with the boys.



After a series of "ice-breaking" interviews, pupils had to explain one aspect of the AS course in a presentation which was followed by questions from the floor. The themes included:

"Le rôle de la publicité" by Mike Beck

"Les avantages et inconvénients de la télévision" by Ben Woolf

"Les conflits entre les parents et les ados" by Jack Woodruff

"La musique de Stevie Wonder" by Edward Wren

"La place de la technologie dans la vie des jeunes" by Nick Wray

"Les jeux vidéos rendent-ils les jeunes violents?" by Nick Marsh

The session finished with discussions on contentious issues presented in pictures and lunch "ensemble"!



English Speaking Union

In the Regional round of ESU debating competition, Ali Roweth and George Bamber came first out of 6 teams and now go through to the Regional final. We wish them every success.

Football Results

Results of the matches with Clifton

1st lost 3-0

2nd lost 5-0

3rd lost 7-2

U15 lost 5-0

U15b lost heavily

Match vs Mark College

U14 won 6-1

U14 v Sidcot won 5-3

Matches v Kings

1st XI lost 2-0

2nd XI won 4-2

3rd XI lost 3-1

Matches v Wycliffe

1st XI won 3-0

2nd XI won 6-0

3rd XI drew 1-1

U15 drew 1-1

U14 won 3-2

Tom Pearce for the 2nd XI scored 4 goals and has now reached the 50-goal milestone.

Rugby Results

Matches v Catholic University School Dublin

U14A won 19 – 14

U14B lost 14 – 5

Against Brymore U16B won 15-12

Matches v Sir Thomas Rich

U15B lost 36-0

U14A lost 26-5

U14B lost 19-7

U13A won 17-7

U13B won 35-14

Hockey Results

Year 13 Hockey v Red Maids' won 2-1

Autobiography by 'Old Boy' Harridave Dutton

Former QEH boy, Harry Dutton's, autobiography "Up the Bumpy Lane" will be for sale at Waterstones, from February 12. Harry will be signing copies of his book at Broadmead in the morning and Cribbs Causeway in the afternoon on that day. The writer paints a vivid picture of post Second World War Britain, including escapades during his days at QEH! It is also available from Amazon or from Harry himself:

dave.dutton@cwctv.net

For Sale – Musical Instruments

Please contact Heidi 01291 624944 or 07818095616



Trumpet – make : Blessing
Very good condition £100



Flute – good for beginner
£50 (bought second hand for £90)



Cello - ¾ size Bought from Bristol
Violin Shop
Very good new condition in soft case
£300 (new £415)

Ski Trip – December 2011

Next December the school ski trip is to Folgarida in the Dolomites in Italy. The area is made up of 3 villages; Madonna di Campiglio, Marilleva and Folgarida, which are all linked and provide 180km of pisted runs.

It is a great area for all levels of skiers and offers something for everyone in a very scenic location. We will be staying in the Hotel Kapriol, a family run hotel just a few minutes from the lift, with a reputation for great food.



This is an all inclusive ski trip, including all travel from QEH, full board, ski hire, lift passes and full instruction.

We need to confirm the numbers with the ski company and it would be appreciated if deposits could be returned ASAP.

If you have not received a letter please contact:

jmatthews@qehbristol.co.uk

Asthma and the lost inhaler!

I continue to be handed a number of inhalers which have been lost and discarded around school. They have been abandoned in classrooms, the gym, and Failand. Most of these inhalers cannot be returned to their rightful owners as they are unnamed. Please help by naming them clearly and also encouraging your son to keep them safe. You can also obtain a special pouch, which holds the inhaler safe, and can be attached either to your son's bag, pencil case, keys or even round the neck. For further details of this handy device visit www.puffapouch.com
School Nurse

Gardening Club



Do you have any unwanted gardening tools? The Gardening Club is in need of more gardening tools, particularly small forks, trowels, large forks, rakes and is desperate for a spade or two.

Any donations will be received with thanks, and should be given to Mrs Rostrup, Mrs Guthrie or Mrs Steven.

Many thanks to the friends of QEH who have given a generous donation to the gardening club. We will now be able to buy all sorts of lovely seeds, cloches, compost and such like.

Last summer the pupils had many successful crops and with your help are looking forward to a busy growing season.



Paris Politics Conference



As ever the Paris trip proved a fascinating rite of passage for our year 12 boys. It was a packed weekend of entertainment with the bright lights of Montmartre and the Latin Quarter being nicely offset by the spicy debate at the Politics' Conference between Shami Chakrabarti, Tessa Jowell and Daniel Hannan. The boys returned as Renaissance men and many are already planning a return to explore further.

Be wined, dined and entertained, before dancing the night away at one of our most sociable and successful events of the year.

The Spring Ball will be held on Saturday 7th May.

Due to the popularity of the Friends Ball, there is always a high demand for tickets and a limited number of tables.

Please be advised that tickets will only be available to book online from the 5 March. They will then be sold on a first come, first served basis. Reservations will be held for 7 days, during which full payment will be required to secure your place. Ticket Price to be advised nearer the time.

All enquiries to:
katharinayeadon@hotmail.co.uk
(From 5th March)

The Linguistics Olympiad



32 boys from Year 9 to Year 13 have this week taken part in the second ever Linguistic Olympiad in the UK. The Olympiad is an intellectual competition where pupils have to solve linguistic data problems. A typical question offers a small sample of sentences or words from an unfamiliar language, and competitors work out the rules needed to produce some further example. The competition requires skills of analysis and pattern-spotting, but the focus on language patterns has a special attraction for many students.

If you would like to try out some problems of this year's competition, log onto:

<http://www.uklo.org/>

Although the Olympiad carries no formal exam credit, it is relevant when applying for university places or careers and can be included in UCAS application.

Pupils at QEH were selected for their aptitude in foreign languages and their willingness to be challenged. Years 9 and 10 were entered for the Foundation Level. Competitors were:

Year 9:

Stuart O'Connell
Callum Payne
Silas Lehane
Ben Phillips



Year 10:

Laurence-Elliot Key
William Holdsworth
Daniel Tindall
Andrew Galton
Chris Holland
Branden Looney
Joe Kesterton
William Bamber
Jack Millar
Harry Demetriou
Charlie Jackson
Patrick Tempny
Ben Horner
Ed Naish



Year 9 pupils came top!! Congratulations!

Results for the Advanced Level (years 11 to 13) will be announced after half term.

Participants were:

Ed Blancke
Mike Sole
Ben Morris
Nick Wray
Harry Wooldridge
Kit Aina
Mike Beck
Nick Marsh
Mohammed Amjad
Declan Rowe
Alex King
Jacob Warn
Leo Miller
Cameron Ree



M. Holdsworth MFL

Open Mic Night

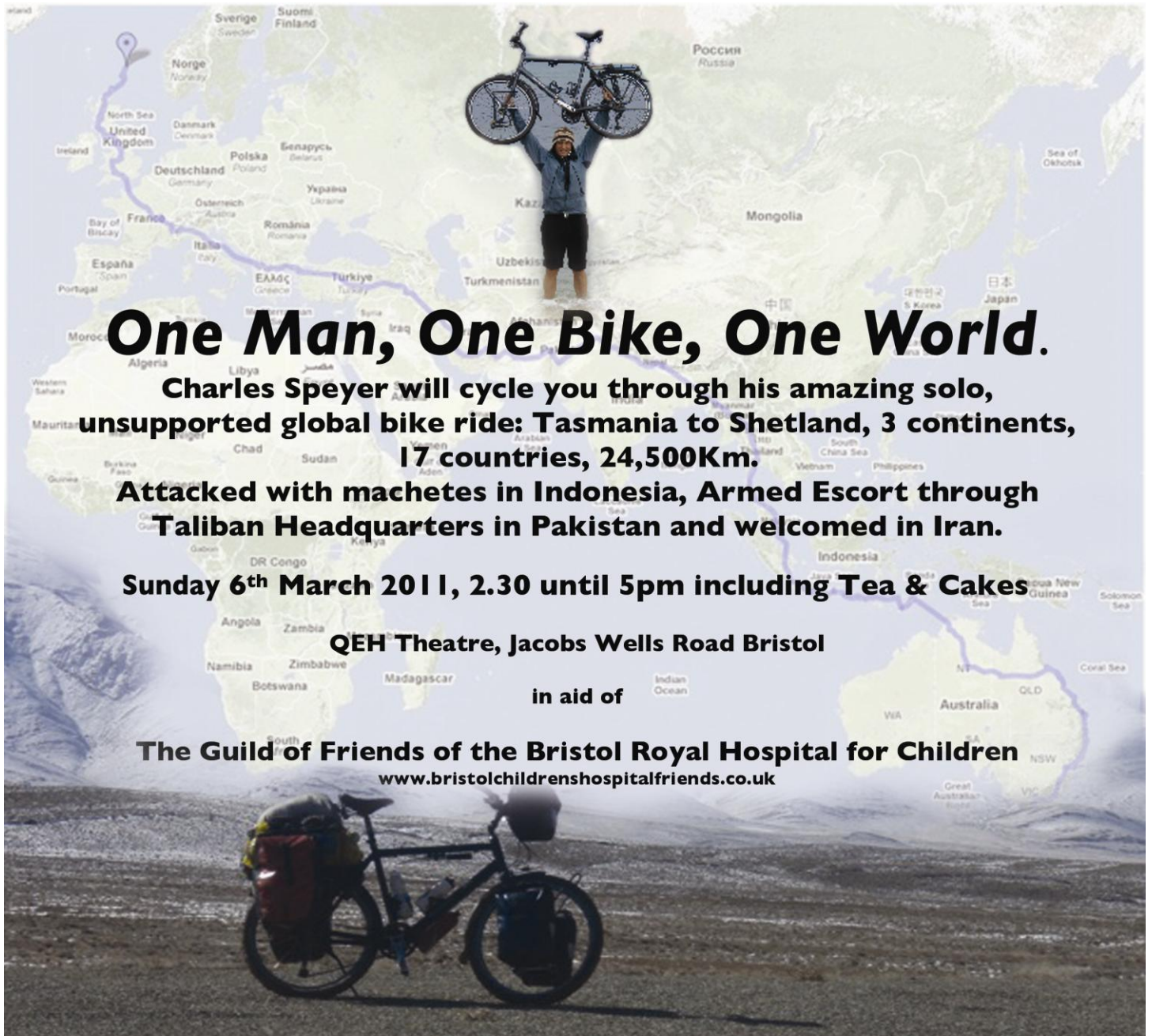


Thursday 17th February
7:30pm, QEH Theatre

Tickets available from School Office (£2 each)

Call 0117 9303040 to reserve

I wish to purchase tickets for Open Mic Night at £2 each. Total enclosed £.....
Cheques made payable to "QEH". Pupil Form.....
Signature of Parent



One Man, One Bike, One World.

Charles Speyer will cycle you through his amazing solo, unsupported global bike ride: Tasmania to Shetland, 3 continents, 17 countries, 24,500Km.

Attacked with machetes in Indonesia, Armed Escort through Taliban Headquarters in Pakistan and welcomed in Iran.

Sunday 6th March 2011, 2.30 until 5pm including Tea & Cakes

QEH Theatre, Jacobs Wells Road Bristol

in aid of

The Guild of Friends of the Bristol Royal Hospital for Children

www.bristolchildrenshospitalfriends.co.uk

TICKET APPLICATION

Please complete the details below and return the form to:

Mrs Lindsay Forbes, Bishops House, Bishops Road, Cleve, North Somerset BS49 4NF.

Telephone: 01934 833372

A stamped, self-addressed envelope would be appreciated.

Name:

Address:

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Postcode:

Tel.No.: e mail:

Total number of tickets required:

Adult at £8.00 each

Concessions at £6.00 each (Over 60 & Under 16)

Family at £22.00

I am unable to attend but would like to make a donation of £.....

PLEASE MAKE CHEQUES PAYABLE TO:

THE GUILD OF FRIENDS OF THE BRISTOL ROYAL HOSPITAL FOR CHILDREN

I would like to Gift Aid my contribution I understand that to be eligible I am paying an amount of income tax or capital gains tax equal to the tax that The Guild of Friends reclaims on my donations (currently 28p per £1)

Signed.....Date..... Registered Charity 1068523

