



**Dear Parents**

There are plenty of events advertised here for Parents – please support if you can!

Mr Hawkes (Maths) has to be absent for the next few weeks. He will be replaced by Mr Parsons, a very experienced teacher, who has helped us on many occasions in the past. Rest assured Mr Hawkes classes will be in very good hands!

**Friends' Spring Ball – 7<sup>th</sup> May**

This year's Spring Ball will be held on 7<sup>th</sup> May. This popular event always sells out quickly and is one of our most sociable and successful evenings.

Tickets for the Spring Ball will only be available to book online from the 5<sup>th</sup> 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.

**Ball Ticket Price £40.00 each**

**Maximum 10 persons to a table**

All enquiries to:  
[katharinayeadon@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:katharinayeadon@hotmail.co.uk)  
 (From 5<sup>th</sup> March)

**Captains of School**

A new captain of school has mysteriously been beamed up, presumably by Scotty to Starship QEH! **SPR**



**Forthcoming events:-**

- Sun 6 March, 6.30pm – Classical Concert at St George's, Brandon Hill
- Mon 7 March – Reading Week Years 7-9
- Tue 8 March – 4.30-6.00pm Bristol Schools' Sixth Form Maths Competition
- Wed 9 March – AS Art Exam
- Wed 9 March – 4.15pm Peer Support Outdoor Pursuits with Year 8
- Wed 9 March 7.15pm Year 9 Dads' and Lads' Evening
- Thur 10 March – Results of GCSE and GCE January Exams
- Thur 10 March , 4.00pm to Sun 13 March - Ten Tors - Dartmoor 1 and Silver DoE Practice
- Fri 11 March 7.00-9.00pm – Disco for Years 7, 8 and 9 at Red Maids' School
- Tue 15 March, 4.30-6.30pm – Careers Fair at Red Maids' School
- Tue 15 March 7.30pm GCSE Concert
- Wed 16 March, 5.00pm Year 11 Parents' Evening
- Thur 17 March 9.00am Year 10 Geography Fieldtrip to Cheddar Gorge
- Thur 17 March 5.00pm – Bristol Schools' Swimming Finals, Easton
- Fri 18 March – MUFTI – Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance

**Samuel Beckett Play Performance**

Tickets are available on the door for tonight's performance of Beckett's Shorts performed by boys in Years 10 and 11. Performance begins at 7.30pm.

**Charter Day - Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April at 10.30am**

Parents are welcome to attend our annual Charter Day Service in Bristol Cathedral. It's not as popular as the Carol Service so there should be plenty of space! The speaker will be Canon Douglas Holt.

### ***Drugs Awareness***

Dear Parents

#### **DRUG AWARENESS TALK – THURSDAY, 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH**

You are invited to a Drug Awareness for Parents talk at the **Junior School Activity Hall of Redland High School at 5pm**. This is our third joint pastoral talk for parents.

The Speaker, Jonnie Leach, is a very highly respected expert in this field and he has spoken at many schools throughout the country. We are very fortunate to have the opportunity of joining in his talk, free of charge.

If you would like to reserve seats, please contact me either by telephone on 01179 303061 or by email at [dbateson@qehbristol.co.uk](mailto:dbateson@qehbristol.co.uk) by Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> March, indicating how many seats you would like reserved.

Yours sincerely

**DM BATESON**  
Deputy Head – Pastoral

### ***House Debating Results***

Winners of the Intermediate House Debate:

Christian Holland } Hartnell's  
Joe Goodsall }

Winners of the Junior House Debate:

Christopher Allen } Carr's  
Benedict M'Caw }

Congratulations to all boys who took part.

### ***Maths Competition***

Congratulations to

Ed Blancke                    James Parsonage  
Jack O'Dea                    George Bamber  
Piers Pegrum

on finishing second in the Bristol Schools' Sixth Form Single Maths Competition.

### ***Rugby Results***

#### **House Rugby 2011**

Year 7 Winners – Hartnell's

Year 8 Winners – Ramsey's

Combined Junior Cup Winners – Hartnell's

Intermediate Cup Winners – Carr's

Senior Cup Winners – Carr's

#### **Overall House Champions Shield**

1<sup>st</sup> - Hartnell's

2<sup>nd</sup> – Ramsey's

3<sup>rd</sup> – Carr's

4<sup>th</sup> – Bird's

In the match against Mark College the 16B's won 25-5.

Congratulations to all who took part in the House Rugby and individual matches.

### ***Teenagers***

Someone once described bringing up children, especially teenagers, like being on a rollercoaster ride. Exciting, exhilarating, exhausting and full of ups and downs. There are several books available on loan from the Health Centre, which may help you survive this thrilling ride!

“Whatever- A down to earth guide to parenting teenagers” by Gill Hines

“Blame my brain” by Nicola Morgan

“Get out of my life but first take me and Alex into town” by Tony Wolf

“Puberty Boy” by Geoff Price

“Bringing up your parents: a guide for Teenagers” by John Farman

“What's happening to my body- book for boys” by Lynda Madaras

“Teenagers, what every parent has to know” by Rob Parsons

“The Teenage guy's survival guide” by Jeremy Daldry

If you are interested in any of these, please contact the school nurses at [nburns@qehbristol.co.uk](mailto:nburns@qehbristol.co.uk) or [jescritt@qehbristol.co.uk](mailto:jescritt@qehbristol.co.uk)

### **Football Results**

2<sup>nd</sup> XI v Sidcot won 4-0

3<sup>rd</sup> XI v Sidcot won 5-2

Year 10 v Sidcot won 3-1

Year 8 v BGS drew 1-1

Year 7 v BGS drew 0-0

### **House Academic Cup 2010-11**

#### **Positions after 2<sup>nd</sup> Assessments (Spring Term)**

Year 7 Ramsey's

Year 8 Carr's

Year 9 Carr's and Ramsey's

Year 10 Ramsey's

Year 11 Carr's

#### **Overall**

1<sup>st</sup> Ramsey's

2<sup>nd</sup> Carr's

3<sup>rd</sup> Bird's

4<sup>th</sup> Hartnell's

### **Letters you should have received!!**

16 February – Year 11 Parents' Evening on 16  
March – Mr R Dixon

16 February – Years 7-9 Disco at Red Maids'  
on 11<sup>th</sup> March – Mr C Brotherton

2 March – Year 9-13 Careers Convention at  
Red Maids' on 15 March – Mr Davies

2 March – AS and A2 French Revision on 7  
March – Mme Holdsworth

2 March – Year 9 German Faschingsparty and  
Quiz at Badminton School on 21 March, Mrs  
Steen

2 March – Upper Sixth Geography Fieldtrip to  
London Docklands on 22 March – Mr Amor

2 March – Geography Fieldtrip to Cheddar  
Gorge on 17 March – Mr Amor

4 March – Year 11, 12 and 13 GCSE and A  
Level Art students – art preparation day – Mrs  
Pole

### **Year 8 Enrichment Week**



Year 8 boys enjoyed a day of excursions based on the theme of "The Sea", visiting the S.S. Great Britain and later

arriving by ferry to the Bristol Aquarium. Boys learnt about the Brunel's first iron steam ship, from its famed return from the Falkland Isles in the 1970's for restoration.



Today the S.S. Great Britain, as well as being a Bristolian icon, is rated within the top 10 museums in the world!

At the Aquarium, boys marvelled at the feeding of "Velcro" the Octopus and were given a lecture on indigenous fish populations finishing the day off with a conservation film in the IMAX theatre on coral reefs.



A great day was had by all.

### **Duke of Edinburgh Awards**

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

#### **Bronze:**

Ed Jackson

Ed Saunders

Huxley Norman

Harry Wooldridge

#### **Gold:**

Tom Pearce

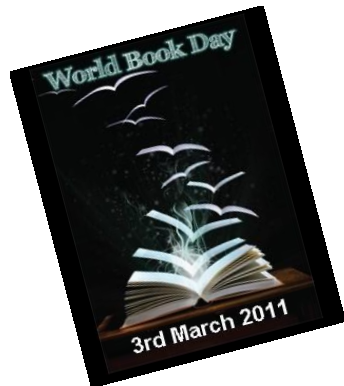
Ali Roweth

## ***Year 9 "Real Game"***

On Tuesday Year 9 joined Red Maids for a day of team building and career related activities. Led by representatives of Raleigh International, Nat West Bank and the BLOODHOUND Supersonic Car team, the boys and girls engaged in a range of competitive scenarios and delighted in the creativity they were encouraged to display. Some even rose to the supreme challenge of presenting ideas in front of a combined audience - and with considerable distinction. As always we are very grateful to the families and businesses that enable activities like this to take place.

## ***World Book Day***

World Book Day was celebrated with a number of events throughout the day.



A team of Bristol University students came to give a presentation at Assembly to year 7 and year 8 pupils on the work of READ International.

The students, all volunteers for the educational book based charity, talked to the boys about how the charity recycles used text books and sends them to Uganda and Tanzania. Often the university volunteers, accompany the books for a six week visit to the country and help to set up a library of used books.



Local Author Tracey Alexander spent the morning with 70 boys at QEH, Bristol celebrating World Book Day

A local Bristol author, T.M. Alexander, had a raucous time with all year 7 pupils when she got them to make up their own World Book Day adventure story, in a one-hour session held in the Theatre. Props were used, including a Lemur tail and a Russian hat, as the story exploded across the stage. There was lots of excitable noise, clapping and some great ideas for the ending of the story which demonstrated how much fun the boys had participating. The author then signed some of her books for pupils after the event.

Finally, Teachers were seen carrying their favourite book around the school building and first period lessons celebrated World Book Day by Teachers reading an extract from their chosen book.

A fun day to underline that books are still a force for change.

To read Tracey Alexander's blog on her visit click the following link and selecting March 2011

[www.tmalexander.com/blog](http://www.tmalexander.com/blog)

**World Book Day**

## ***Bristol Baseball***

If your son is interested in joining this ambitious and growing club, Bristol Badgers [www.bristolbaseball.co.uk](http://www.bristolbaseball.co.uk) please see their website. One of our parents is very involved and the school office could put you in touch.

## ***Greece Trip***

### ***Change of Flight time***

Please note that there has been a change to the flight time for our trip to Greece and we will now meet at school at **3.00 am** for our **flight at 8.15am** on 11<sup>th</sup> April.

A confirmation letter will be sent out in due course.



2011 ANNUAL  
*Spring Ball*

Saturday 7th May 2011

7.00pm for 7.30pm Carriages at Midnight

*Dress Code: Black Tie*

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- **Delicious Formal Meal**
- **Licensed Bar**
- **Disco and Live Jazz Band**

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