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END OF TERM CELEBRATION

STUDENTS AND STAFF ENJOYED A FANTASTIC END OF TERM ASSEMBLY THAT CELEBRATED A VERY SUCCESSFUL YEAR AT BURNTWOOD.

Achievements include an excellent Ofsted report and visits to partner schools in China and India. A film of Curriculum Plus highlights and a thrilling Lion dance by performers from the Confucius Institute rounded off the year in spectacular fashion.



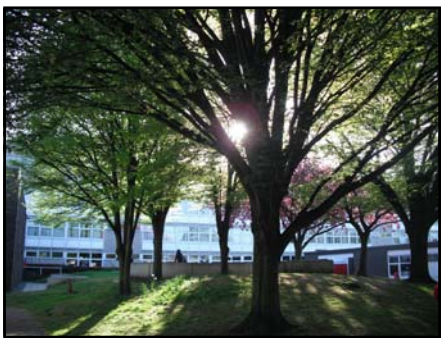
IMAGES OF BURNTWOOD

Burntwood's programme of building works began this term and to celebrate the existing school buildings prior to their demolition, a photographic competition was held to find an image that conveyed the spirit of the 1950s design. The standard of the images submitted by students across the school was incredibly high but following much deliberation, the judges selected the



Phoebe Vowles-Webb

winning photograph, taken by Year 10 student, Phoebe Vowles-Webb. She received the top prize; a Nintendo 3DS. Runners-up Alice Glasgow, Year 9, and Esther Meroyi, Year 8, received iPod shuffles and twelve highly commended entries were awarded £5 HMV vouchers. All fifteen images will be displayed on the hoardings surrounding the building works.



Alice Glasgow



Esther Meroyi

The Sustainable Travel Accreditation Scheme is an initiative introduced by TfL to ensure a



Sustainable Travel
Accredited and Recognised
Sustainable level 2011

long-term commitment to sustainable travel planning in schools. Burntwood School is pleased to announce that it has achieved Sustainable (Bronze) Level for demonstrating good practice which extends beyond the standard requirements of a School Travel Plan.

JACK PETCHEY AWARD WINNERS

2010-2011

Warda Heetun	Year 11	October 10
Emily Cunningham	Year 13	November 10
Meriam Moussa Benammar	Year 10	December 10
Ellie Grainger	Year 12	January 11
Ella Pavlides	Year 9	February 11
Courtney Goldsmith	Year 8	March 11
Elizabeth Silva	Year 7	April 11
Ilham Ahmed	Year 10	May 11
Louise Johnson-Jarrett	Year 8	June 11

Jack Petchey Achievement Awards are presented to students who have been recognised for personal developments and positive personality traits. Awards are also presented to students who have contributed to the school or local community in a significant way.

B-MATHS TREASURE HUNT

Local primary school pupils gathered this month to take part in the inaugural Burntwood Maths Treasure Hunt. Each primary school put forward a team of Beavers (enthusiastic mathematicians) and Owls (able mathematicians). Using treasure maps, spaghetti, jelly babies and algebra, the teams had to solve clues to find the elusive treasure. After an intense competition, the treasure hunt ended with Honeywell Junior School winning the Beavers Gold Medal and Broadwater Primary School winning the Owls Gold Medal.

FREE YOUR FEET

'Free Your Feet' is a national walking challenge for secondary schools. Burntwood's Year 7 students took part in the challenge this month. They recorded how far they walked over one week and then calculated the number of calories burned. The aim of the challenge was to increase walking levels throughout the year group and a before and after survey showed that walking did increase over the week. All those who took part were entered into a prize draw to win a £50 shopping voucher and the lucky winner was Chloe Grisel 7.2.



DRAGONS' DEN TRIUMPH

Burntwood's Year 9 students scooped the top prize at this year's Wandsworth Interschool Dragons' Den Competition held at Roehampton University on Thursday 7th July. Seven Wandsworth schools pitched their business ideas to a panel of 'dragons' headed by Chris Wyatt, Chairman of the Wandsworth Chamber of Commerce. Burntwood students impressed the judges with their confident and well researched presentation and the quality of their product, a 'Peel-o Pen' nail varnish remover. As winners, the team was awarded a trophy and a cheque for £250. The Wandsworth Interschool Dragons' Den Competition was organised by the Wandsworth Education Business Partnership.



LIONHEART VICTORY FOR YEAR 10

Nineteen Year 10 students took part in The LionHeart Challenge Southern Final at Harrow School on Tuesday 5th July. Burntwood School was represented by two teams in the competition against 23 other schools from London, The South East and Eastern England. The challenge was to conceptualise, design and create a leading edge product or device which will have a ground breaking impact on personal safety for young people in the UK and beyond. Teams prepared their business plans and then presented their proposals to a panel of ten judges from the world of business. Burntwood's teams performed brilliantly and one was awarded the regional first prize. The team will now go on to compete in the UK final to be held in September at Castle Howard, Yorkshire. The LionHeart Challenge is a national enterprise programme which aims to nurture the UK's future entrepreneurs.



ATHLETICS SUCCESS

Last month, one Year 7 student and three Year 8 students were selected to represent Wandsworth at the London Athletics Championships in East London. This was the first time so many Burntwood students were selected for the competition so this in itself was an achievement.

At the Championships, students did the school and themselves proud by delivering some impressive performances.

The results are as follows:

Nneka Archer 7.2 qualified for the final round throws in shot putt where she gained a new personal best and a silver medal for 2nd place.

Natalija Woolny 8.3 also gave a personal best in the 1500m and was narrowly beaten into 3rd place. She was awarded a bronze medal.

Eva Larkai 8.9, who was competing in the discus, managed not only another personal best but also won the event and was awarded a gold medal.

INCREDIBLE INDIAN JOURNEY

From the 2nd to the 9th of July, eight students from four schools in Wandsworth, including Burntwood Sixth Formers, Annie Gingell and me (Lucy Dyer), were on a school trip to India. We were lucky enough to gain places on the trip by winning an inter-school competition and a condition of accepting the place was to complete an extended project using knowledge gained from the experience. The trip was to Mumbai and during our stay we visited some of the Ryan International Schools with which Burntwood has an international link. We also went to a women's liberation organisation and saw Dharavi, one of the world's largest slums. We experienced the real Mumbai, eating traditional foods and dancing in the monsoon rain. It was a once in a lifetime trip that we are all grateful for. We had an amazing time. We made some great friends and learned a lot along the way too. To read more about our trip and to see more pictures, you can read my blog at www.lucyintugofwar.blogspot.com.



CURRICULUM PLUS TRIPS AND VISITS

Curriculum Plus is an end of year programme of lessons and activities to extend and enrich the curriculum. Here are some of the trips and visits students enjoyed as part of the programme.

BARCELONA On Tuesday 12th July, 40 excited Burntwood students set off in the early hours of the morning, bound for Barcelona. On arrival, the sun was shining and the weather was hot. Students and staff began at once to take in the amazing sites on offer in the city. These included the Sagrada Família, Park Güell, el Puerto and Las Ramblas. One of the trip's many highlights was Port Aventura, the aquatic theme park where everyone experienced some thrilling rides and got soaked several times. Students thoroughly enjoyed the trip.



HAMPTON COURT PALACE Year 8 spent the day at Hampton Court as part of the Humanities curriculum. Students toured Henry VIII's spectacular kitchens, apartments and formal gardens.



LONDON WETLAND CENTRE Year 7 went on a Science field trip to the best urban wildlife site in Europe. Students found out about the importance of wetlands and their conservation.

MUSEUM OF LONDON 60 Year 7 Latin students enjoyed a day at the Museum of London. The trip supported the Roman civilisation topics studied as part of the Latin course and students gathered a wealth of information on life in Roman London.



ZLS LONDON ZOO Year 8 visited the Zoo as part of the Science curriculum. Students researched animal habitats and looked at how our actions affect the survival of species around the world. They also found out about the Zoo's conservation work and how it is supporting endangered species.



KEW GARDENS Year 9 visited Kew Gardens as part of the Physical and Arts Cluster curriculum. Students spent the day practising observational drawing techniques.

