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BARONESS HOLLINS VISITS BURNTWOOD

Baroness Hollins visited Burntwood School on Friday the 27th January to talk to Year 10 students. She came as part of the 'Peers in Schools' programme, in which Members of the House of Lords talk to students about the Lords and its role in the democratic process. Students were fascinated to learn about how the House of Lords works and asked a range of thoughtful questions following the talk.

The 'Peers in Schools' programme aims to encourage young people to engage more with politics and learn how Parliament works. Baroness Hollins is a crossbench peer and a professor of the psychiatry of learning disability at St George's, University of London.

Following her talk, Baroness Hollins was interviewed on a range of topical issues by Year 10 student, Eleanor Keen, for Burntwood's BBC News Schools Report 2012 to be broadcast in March.



COMING SOON

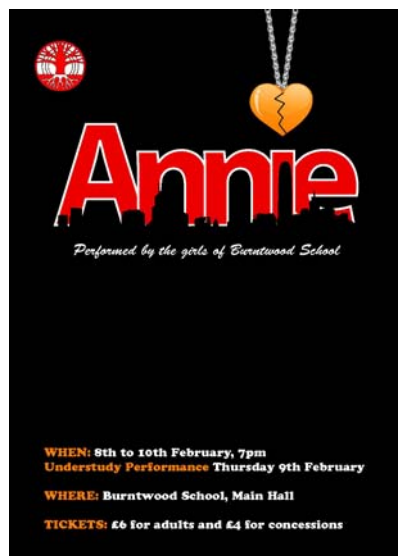
This year's eagerly awaited whole school production is the musical 'Annie'. Set in New York during the Depression, the show tells the story of Annie, an orphan who tries to escape her miserable life in an orphanage and find her long lost parents, inspiring those she meets along the way with her courage and determination.

A competition was held to design a poster for the production and the winning design, seen here, is by Gabriella Persia 7.0. Runners-up are Gracie Dahl 8.4 and Mahnoor Rauf 8.3. All three students will receive tickets for the show as their prize.

Performances on 8th - 9th - 10th February

Tickets on sale from Monday 30th January

Adults £6.00 Students and Concessions £4.00



WANDSWORTH'S TOP REVISER

Congratulations to Year 12 student, Elizabeth Bellis, who has been recognised for being the highest reviser on SAM Learning in the Borough of Wandsworth. The Award was presented by Craig Hendleman, Senior Sales Manager at SAM



Learning. Elizabeth used the online revision tool extensively during Year 11, helping her to gain 11 GCSEs. She said "I was very surprised and pleased to receive the certificate. I found SAM Learning a really useful addition to my revision plan, particularly for factual subjects."

BURNTWOOD FILM NEEDS YOUR VOTE!

Year 12 students, Jess Gell and James Coppin, have entered a film in the competition 'Film Nation Shorts'. This is a Cultural Olympiad project that is inviting 14 to 25 year olds to create short films celebrating the values of the Olympic and Paralympic Games. Inspired by courage, determination and excellence, Jess and James' brilliant film shows Year 12 student, Harold Gordon-Smith, in a breath-taking and exhilarating free run around London.

Please watch the film and vote for it at www.filmnation.org.uk/watch/film/london-calling. The films with the most 'likes' will be considered for nomination for the 'Film Nation Shorts Awards' and the winners' work will be screened in major London 2012 venues during the Olympic Games! Voting is open until 2nd April 2012.



PLEASE BE AWARE THAT NO PARKING IS AVAILABLE ON THE SCHOOL SITE.

We would be extremely grateful if visitors to Burntwood could walk, cycle or use public transport when attending school meetings and events.

PLEASE DO NOT STOP OUTSIDE THE SCHOOL IF DROPPING OR COLLECTING YOUR DAUGHTER.

This is extremely dangerous for students, pedestrians and cyclists and concerns have been raised by members of the public regarding the hazard that this causes. Parking enforcement officers are patrolling outside the school and will issue tickets to cars parked illegally!

MEDICAL SKILLS WORKSHOP

Year 10 students took part in a 'Key Skills for Medical Professionals' workshop this month. Students visited the Guy's Hospital Campus,



King's College London, for an interactive event that introduced them to the work of medical professionals.

After stitching, taking blood pressure and performing the Heimlich Manoeuvre, Burntwood's aspiring medics felt as if they were well on their way to a career in healthcare.



Living the Olympic and Paralympic Values

BURNTWOOD OLYMPIC CLUB

**Friday, 12:40-1:10
Room 119
Students from all
Years welcome**

In preparation for Burntwood's celebration of London 2012, an exciting new club for students has been launched. Olympic Club members will have a key role in coordinating Burntwood's Olympic-inspired events this summer, with projects such as creating a Burntwood mascot and organising a 'Games themed' Sports Day. They will also be responsible for keeping Burntwood's partner schools across the globe up-to-date with Olympic news and events at Burntwood, and will blog on the 'Get Set' network, London 2012's education programme to involve young people in the excitement and inspiration of the Games. Club members will also help to plan the Opening Ceremony of Burntwood's brand new Sports Hall next month.

Burntwood's team of Olympic ball girls has started training. Students were complemented by the lead coach on their professional and dedicated approach to the training regime.



TROUT IN THE CLASSROOM

Sponsorship kindly provided by Lend Lease, the construction company working on Burntwood's new school buildings, has enabled Burntwood to participate in the Wandle Trust's 'Trout in the



Wandle Trust's 'Trout in the Classroom' programme. In December, the Wandle Trust installed a specially modified aquarium which reproduces the natural conditions of river life for the eggs and fish. At the start of this term, the aquarium was seeded with eggs which have now hatched and will be cared for until they are ready to be released into the Wandle in April. Students are eagerly monitoring the progress of the 'fry' and are hoping for a high survival rate for release in the spring.

STUDENTS VISIT THE MANSION HOUSE

35 members of Burntwood's Student Council visited the Mansion House at end of last term. The purpose of the visit was to gain an understanding of the role of the Lord Mayor of London. Students enjoyed a tour of the state rooms and were delighted to meet the parents of the current Lord Mayor, Alderman David Wootton, who happened to be visiting on the same day.

On the tour, students found out about the history of the House and the important role it plays in supporting the Lord Mayor and the City of London.