

Stanley Park Christmas Concert

The Stanley Park Christmas Concert will be on Thursday 10th December in the Main Hall at 6pm. Tickets are free and can be obtained from Miss Mazur in the Music Department. All students must be accompanied by an adult. Please join us and enjoy some musical treats and Christmas carols.

Miss Mazur Subject Leader Music

PFA News

Quiz Night

A big 'thank you' to all the teachers, governors, parents and friends who came along to the quiz night. It was a great success and we managed to raise £142! Commiserations to Mr Taylor's team who missed out winning by 1 point to Strictly Come Quizzing and it was fun to watch the Holy Trinity Bells enjoying themselves!!

Update on the New School

At the PFA meeting next term, we hope to have someone come along to give us an update on the progress of the new school. Please watch this space to announce the date of the next meeting, or you can email us on pfasphs@suttonlea.org for any information.

Crystal Palace Football Club Christmas Events

CPFC are running two Christmas events, which will also enable us to raise funds for the PFA by allowing us to issue vouchers to give parents/teachers the chance to purchase 4 tickets per person for just £5 per person. This is a saving of £15 per ticket per adult. For every ticket sold the PFA will receive £2.50.

The events will be held on Saturday 5th December (Crystal Palace v Doncaster Rovers - Kick off 3.00pm) and Saturday 19th December (Crystal Palace v Barnsley - Kick off 3.00pm).

In addition to the football, there will be a festive feel with a pre match build up with an appearance from Father Christmas with gifts into the crowd, Salvation Army, carol singers and much, much more.

If you wish to obtain a voucher, please contact the PFA via our email or send a request in via an envelope marked CPFC Voucher - PFA.

Karen Cox Stanley Park High School PFA Chair

Post 16 Information Evening

The Post 16 Information Evening for our Year 11 students will be taking place on Thursday 3rd December 2009.

On this day, Year 11 students will have a slightly later school start time of 10.30am but will be expected to remain in school for the evening that will run from 3.30pm until around 6pm. The evening will provide students with all the information they need to enable them to make the correct choices of courses for Post 16 study. Refreshments will be provided for all students who attend.

Parents/Guardians are invited to join us from 5pm onwards to meet staff and discuss the options available.

We are looking forward to seeing all Year 11 students and as many parents as possible at the Post 16 Information Evening.

Calendar of Events

Year 9 Option Evening
Wednesday 2nd December 5.30pm to 6.30pm

Post 16 Open Evening
Thursday 3rd December

Music Christmas Concert
Thursday 10th Nov 6pm

Last Day of Autumn Term for Students
Tuesday 15th December

First Day of Spring Term
Monday 4th January 2010



Stanley Park Achiever

November 2009



OFSTED GRADES US AS GOOD WE WILL BECOME OUTSTANDING

As you will be aware we had our Ofsted Inspection on the 10/11th November, having been notified that it would take place on Friday 6th November. I am delighted to announce that the school was graded good overall in the two key judgements: Overall Effectiveness (how good is the school?) and the school's capacity for sustained improvement. We are delighted with this judgement for two key reasons. Firstly, it fully supports the improvements the school has made over the last few years. Secondly, this result was achieved despite us being one of the first schools assessed under the new and far more demanding Inspection regulations that only came into force in September 2009.

At the time of writing this article the final report has not been released but it will be available on the web site www.ofsted.gov.uk shortly. However, I have seen the final draft of the report and I have included some of the key statements in the Main Findings section made by the Lead Inspector and her team:

Stanley Park High School is a good school with a satisfactory sixth form. Since its last inspection, through the actions of its good leadership and management, students' outcomes at Key Stage 4 have significantly improved and are now good. Students benefit from a balanced academic and vocational curriculum that is responsive to their needs. Younger students, in particular, enjoy a well-organised skills based approach to learning in Key Stage 3. One student summed up their experience at the school as, 'Teachers give lots of support and help us to do well in our work.'

Students receive very good academic guidance.

The harmonious and cohesive ethos of the school greatly enhances students' own attitudes to learning.

Students are very well behaved in lessons and the majority are respectful and well motivated and take responsibility for their own safety. This helps to explain why personal development outcomes are so strong.

The Headteacher has provided strong leadership in conveying a vision of high expectations. Together with his managers and staff, he has successfully tackled key weaknesses in student outcomes in the main school. This has moved the school on apace from the satisfactory outcomes judged at the last inspection and demonstrates good capacity for further improvement.

My heartiest congratulations to everybody in helping the school achieve this fantastic outcome that represents a real milestone in our development. This includes the many parents who submitted responses in the Parental Questionnaire, a summary of which is included with this Achiever. However, we recognise that we must not standstill and need to continue improving by:

Improving learning in lessons through:

- matching activities and tasks to students' abilities
- consistently effective marking and ensuring students redraft their work and catch up on work missed
- a greater focus on learning, progress and assessment during internal lesson observations

Ensuring that there is a clear drive on raising sixth form standards for current and future AS and A2 students that promotes higher levels of recruitment and retention through:

- developing curriculum and progression pathways that are more responsive to the intake for 2010
- more appropriate guidance on subject choices in Key Stages 4 to 5 geared to the more appropriate curriculum offer.

Onwards and upwards to outstanding!

Ms Jane Pascoe, Chair of Governors

Year 7 'Sky's the Limit' plays

What can you possibly think of that includes a 'Cool Runnings' spoof; Martians dancing; a queen flirting with a tramp and a Headmaster fit enough to jump 2000 feet out of a plane? (don't get any ideas Mr Taylor!!). Only Stanley Park High School would provide you with all of these scenarios, and what better way than a quadlet of mini-plays showcasing Year 7's acting skills!



There were a range of plays and ideas including one about a Headteacher starting a new career as a space pilot; a montage based on historical figures visited by a 'Dr Who' character and his Tardis; an epic story about four scientists trying to discover a cure for a disease and another about two time travellers visiting Shakespeare.

The ideas were incredible and all students had a fabulous time taking part. They will be hard pressed to match us next year!!

Archie Brooks-Watson 7JL

Swimming Success

Recently five students took part in the Borough Swimming Championships. Holly Turner won medals in her individual event as well as being a member of the winning swimming club relay team. Alex King, Luke Mills, Harry Brown and Alfie Brown also won medals in their individual events and came second in the schools relay event. Luke Mills also received an award from the Mayor for outstanding hard work and achievement in swimming. Well done to you all.

Trampoline Triumphs

Liam Andrews entered a trampoline competition on Saturday 7th November, it was his first time entering the A2 Level. He competed against other athletes ranging from the age 14-18years. During the first round of the competition (compulsory) Liam took the lead with a score of 8.65 out of a possible 10. In the second round competitors can earn extra points on their tariff by performing voluntary movements. Due to Liam gaining experience from the event he chose not to perform voluntary movements and finished the second round with a score of 8.90, plus a score of 2.4 onto his tariff (total 19.95). Liam narrowly missed out on gold, the winner, an 18 year old scoring 19.96. Huge congratulations to Liam and good luck in the Regional and Nationals.

Irish Dancers Double Delight

Danielle O'Donoghue recently took part in the all England Irish Dancing Championships, Danielle won the competition for the 5th time in a row. She also took part in a regional competition and again came first. Well done Danielle, keep up the good work and good luck for the all Irish Championships later this year.

Young Leaders

A reminder to all Year 10 and 11 students who are volunteering to become Young Leaders on the Young Leadership Programme, there are fortnightly meetings on Mondays. The next meeting will take place on Monday 30th November in room 24. Students take part in both practical and theory sessions to gain a greater knowledge and understanding of coaching and leadership skills for a range of age groups in both Schools and the Community.

They have recently gained a Rugby award and will be attending a Netball course in the new year. Without their support, many of the extra sporting events would not go ahead. Well done to all students who are committed to supporting their school and community.

Miss Morris

Department for Autism Guy Fawkes Fundraiser



Students from the DFA have been raising money for Children in Need.

We ran a 'guess the number of guys in a jar' contest and a 'design the guy' competition; we also sold cakes outside the DFA on the 5th November. We built the winning guy design with wood, twigs, straw and newspaper and then dressed it in fabric clothes to make it look like the design. We made a hat out of paper and then put words on it.

On Saturday a number of students from the DFA and Lorraine Fruin, winner of the contest, went to Carshalton Park to place our Guy on the Bonfire. The bonfire was made of old wooden pallets and was very high. There was an archway through the middle of the bonfire; this is where the fire would be lit. The archway was big enough for us to walk through. Because it was a bit scary inside the fire and just for fun we all ran through the archway. We raced up the ditch and went home to get ready for the evening.



BANG! BANG! BANG! A wonderful display of fireworks crackle away in the night sky. Meanwhile, it seems like the bonfire is getting really famished with the anticipation of the Guy being burnt. As the fireworks fade away, a swish of heads turn to the bonfire. 3...2...1, the flames are underway! Our Guy is... it's... it's... fallen off. We've achieved a record-breaking time of... 5 seconds! Oh well, we're looking forward to next year!



A big thank you to Archie Brooks-Watson, Bradley Dixon, Taylor Harris, Alex King, Luke Mills, Harry Phillips, Paul Smithson and Cieran Vasoo, who were involved in running these events and raising £122.80.

Mr M Thomson Department for Autism LSA

The Mathematics Department would like to congratulate October's Mathematicians of the Month

Year	Name
7	Georgia Ball
8	Jamie Manning
9	Sahra Kamran
10	Erica Mathies
11	Paul Smithson