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# St Edward's School Newsletter

# GCSE Geographers make news

The evening of Tuesday 18 October saw sixteen teams from schools across Dorset go head-to-head in the annual Geographical Association GCSE World Wide Quiz. The competition, hosted by St Edward's School, was one of closest competitions of recent vears. St Edward's School was ably represented by two teams from Year 11: Team A - Aleksandra Kulczycka, Ethan Newman and Isabelle Taylor, Team B— Aidan Moore, Reuben Jones and Russell Symonds. With Ms Berry as the quiz master, the rounds passed quickly and with great humour. Unfortunately even the tactic of depriving Bishop Wordsworth School of additional cake at the interval was not sufficient in

keeping them off the top spot, and they were awarded the main prize. St Edward's Schools teams finished in a very respectable position mid-table. The event also helps to raise money towards a charity chosen by the host school. This year £160 was donated. The money will be used to support Samara's Aid Appeal, a charity that helps provide humanitarian and medical aid to areas in the Middle East impacted by conflict. My thanks to: The Sixth form students Naomi Stanley, Maya Franqueira, Emily Broomfield, Ed Brayshaw and The Geography Department for giving their time to making the evening run so smoothly.

Mr Major - Subject Leader Geography



# **Book Amnesty**

<u>All</u> books need to be returned to the LRC

between:

**Monday 21 Nov** 

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Friday 25 Nov

The LRC will declare an amnesty from all overdue books that are returned between these dates.

Students can leave their books with Mrs
Eastwood in the LRC or they can put them in the large box in the LRC.



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#### Did you know?

#### 95% Attendance = 10 days absent over school year = 2 weeks = 50 lessons

90% = 20 school days = 4 weeks = 100 lessons

# 85% = 30 school days = 6 weeks = 150 lessons

80% = 40 school days = 8 weeks = 200 lessons

# Being 15 minutes late each day is the same as missing 2 weeks of school

A student who misses a day of school per week misses the equivalent of two years of their school life

90% of young people below 85% attendance fail to achieve five or more good grades at GCSE and one third achieve no GCSE's at all.

1 in 5 pupils miss 19 days a year

# Lab Club opens our eyes to the Solar System

Students from lab club have spent the first half term producing this amazing display of the solar system. They gathered high resolution photographs of the planets and scaled them to size to create this 3.70m long display located in the entrance to labs SI-4. The students gathered facts and information to create this scale diagram. The students enjoyed adding the glitter to represent the stars and clusters or galaxies which twinkle (or 'scintillate' to use the correct term) in the sunshine. Well done to all students involved and we look forward to our next project.



# Poole & East Dorset Netball Leagues

St Edward's plays host to the annual Poole and East Dorset Schools Netball League for Year 9, 10 and 11. The Year 11 league was an exceptionally close competition with the top three schools being separated by only 2 points. A massive well done to the Year 11 girls who took part in the competition, they demonstrated excellent drive, determination and motivation and because of this finished in 3rd place overall. Well done girls, keep up the fantastic work. The Year 10 league started on Wednesday 2nd November and our Year 10's currently sit in 2nd place on goal difference. Good luck to the girls for the remaining matches, let's hope a medal is in sight! The Year 9 league is due to start on Wednesday 9th November. If anyone would like to watch our Year 9A and B team take on 9 other Poole Schools then please come on up to the netball courts at 3.15pm on Wednesday afternoons.

# Christmas Indoor Market

Thursday 17th November 7:30pm

# St. Edward's School Dale Valley Road Poole

Up to 50 stalls selling

Jewellery
Hair accessories
Laser Cut Wood Items
Shabby Chic Gifts
Forever Living Products
Stocking fillers
Picture Light Boxes
Sweets & Candy floss
Embroidered Gifts

Pizza Chilli Gifts Usborne Books Scarves Fabric Crafts Avon Phoenix Cards Candles Decorations

Plus, Christmas Carols, Refreshments, Raffle and Free Parking

> Tickets are available on the door. Adults £2.50 Students 18 & Under £1

A complimentary drink is included on arrival with every ticket purchased. Come along for a festive evening.

For details, including stall bookings please email:schoolassoc@st-edwards.poole.sch.uk

Check out our Facebook event page St Edward's School Christmas Indoor Market

# **High Flyers**

On Thursday 20th October we took 3 High Flyers teams to the County Schools' Boccia Competition held at Queen Elizabeth School. The day consisted of lots of very close games, our teams displayed excellent tactics throughout the day, and the students that went should be very proud of their achievements. Unfortunately we got knocked out of the competition in the quarter finals to Allenborne Middle School.

# **Sports Summary**

There have been 41 fixtures so far this half term in Netball, Rugby, Cross Country and Boccia to name but a few. The PE department would like to say a MASSIVE THANK YOU to all of the students who consistently attend afterschool clubs and train hard week in, week out, in order to represent our school in these fixtures. Your determination and effort is truly spectacular, keep up the outstanding work.



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# Commissioning Ceremony

You are cordially invited to join us to celebrate

Mr Michael Antram's Commissioning Ceremony
as Headteacher of St Edward's RC CE VA School.

Monday 5th December 2016

7pm

St Mary's RC Church, Wimborne Road, Poole, BH15 2EG

Please RSVP to rharris@st-edwards.poole.sch.uk