

St Edward's School Newsletter

Supporting the local community

Last year the Ethics Committee, which is a student led group who plan and co-ordinate charity and social justice events, reviewed how the money raised in school had been distributed. The key outcome of this review was that we found that for the last three years the vast majority of money went to national and international charities and very little was going to support the work of local charities. Therefore, last year a number of our key events sought to raise money for the groups working within the local community.

Following this, on Thursday 26th January, Sophie Lawson from Poole Hospital Charity visited St Edward's in order to be presented with a cheque for £1,460 which was raised last year by students taking part in the charity mile. We also have cheques to be presented to the International Care Network, a Bournemouth based charity supporting the relocation of migrants and refugees into the local area and one for Roots to Routes, a charity working with homeless people in Poole.

Mr Farrow

Assistant Headteacher

Evening of Gymnastics and Dance

Thursday 2nd February was the annual Gymnastics and Dance Show, and what a fantastic evening it was. Thirty girls from year 7-13



took to the stage to perform. The students performed to over 130 special guests. We were extremely lucky to have an ex professional ballet dancer; Gabriella Crouch as part of the audience who danced alongside the Russian Ballet and also as part of The Royal School of Ballet. The atmosphere that the audience created was just brilliant and really added to the evening.

The students have been working extremely hard for the past 5 months to choreograph and rehearse their routines in the run up to the show. The performances ranged from Acrobatics to Bollywood to Street Dance.

The students' determination, dedication and enthusiasm towards the show was just incredible, and I am so proud of everything they have achieved.

A big thank you must go to all of the students involved. Those who performed were just fabulous and were a great example of what talented students we have at St Edward's; and to those that

helped, you are all superstars and we could not have run the show without you. Roll on next year!!!

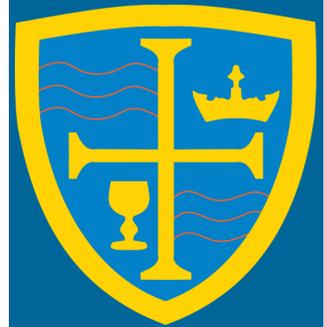
Miss Marsh

PE Teacher



Half Day retreat

St Mary's, Wimborne Road, would like to invite all parents, carers and staff at St Edward's, to join them for a Half day retreat on 18th February. This is a chance to read Scripture with the heart rather than with the head in both a group setting and also for space to pray on your own. As such it particularly lends itself to Christians of every denomination and others who are searching for meaning in their lives.



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ANYONE FOR A CURRY?

Indian Night
Sat 17th March
From 6.30pm

Adults: £10
Children: £7.50
Family tickets: £30
 (2 adults & up to 3 children)

Tickets available from the Finance Office

Home cooked Indian curry night with LIVE music and dance. Raising money for the School Association to help fund projects all over the school!

Highly Successful Technology Futures Event

Ben Clarke

Sean Forryan

A really interesting evening, and expanded my career options after A levels

'It was an eye opener to other aspects of design and engineering than those I already knew'

Typical student response

The Technology Futures event this week brought current St Edward's students together with past students, Architects, Engineers, Product Designers, Artisans, Food and Textile specialists.

There was a buzzing atmosphere to the evening with students having conversations about future opportunities in Technology based subjects.

Past students returned to enthusiastically share experiences and stories of life after school in the world of work. Chloe Beer Jones shared how her Textiles work at school has led her into Fashion. Ben Clarke is now the Apprentice ambassador for the area and explained his route through the engineering apprenticeship at Superior. Euan Moor worked energetically in the Food Room inspiring interested students, and recommending the new Food and Nutrition BTEC running in the sixth form from September. Ellie Townend returned to assist Mrs Hoole, and encouraged students to see the possibilities of Food and Nutrition courses towards a positive future. Sean Forryan brought in his current Architectural work for local architects in Christchurch explaining his route through A level product design at St Edward's into Architecture.

Other external guests were Duncan Newman, Economic Development Officer who was, as always enthusiast about Technology for the future, Daniel Crowhurst, Food Specialist, and Chef, Leo Abate Product Designer, Kevin Pilley and Daniel King from Ultra Electronics, Nigel Bedford from Honeywell – Aero-space, Liam Stratton, Superior Precision Engineering, Jo Williams Garment Technologist for Peacocks. And our very own Robin Greenwood, artisan and Musical instrument maker. We thank them all for making the event so worthwhile and inspiring our students.

Kathryn D'Arcy

Well Done

Well Done to Chloe Pain, in year 8, who was selected as a winner of the CreativeMe writing competition 2016, with her poem:

'The Perfect Moment'



Lost Property

Our lost property box is overflowing with outdoor coats. If you think your child has misplaced their coat, please call or email the Student Office on : student.office@st-edwards.poole.sch.uk, with a description and we will be happy to help you.

Sainsbury Active Kids vouchers!

We are collecting Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers towards new equipment for the PE and Technology departments. There will be a box in the Student Office where students can put the vouchers. The deadline to receive vouchers is 2nd May 2017.