

## Reminder to parent / carers of Year 10 pupils:

### Residential to France - Monday 30 June - Friday 4 July 2014

Please remember that your child will come to school on transport on Monday 30 June and will return on transport on Friday 4 July (where applicable).

If you decide to bring your child into school on Monday 30 June and collect them from school on Friday 4 July - it is up to you to contact transport to inform them of your plans.



## Year 9 Edale Adventure 2014

On Monday 19 May Year 9 set off for the outward bound adventure to Edale Youth Hostel in the Peak District. Everyone was very excited yet nervous about the experiences that would happen over the next week. Although the journey of 181 miles took just over 4 hours the pupils were very well behaved, when they arrived at the centre they trekked up the main road to the centre surrounded by sheep, cows and an array of other farm animals. Once the luggage was stowed in their rooms and the introductions had been made the pupils started their first activity 'Icebreakers' which included some very serious welly throwing, ball skills and team building games.



### Year 9's 'running for the hills and taking in a bit of rock climbing'

After a good night's sleep the day dawned with a beautiful blue sky, the groups started their morning activities with climbing and canoeing. Tuesday afternoon found the groups raft building and abseiling, the pupils were very brave they abseiled off a viaduct which was 100ft high, they were also suspended over a river. Every one of the children achieved this daring endeavour. In the raft building the pupils had to make their own rafts from barrels, logs and ropes. Once they were made their maiden voyage was on a reservoir, most of them stayed together although by the time they came back to shore they looked a little unstable.

The other activities the pupils took part in were canoeing, Weaseling (which is squeezing through holes in rocks on the hills in the Peak District, High Ropes and caving. Every pupil on the journey pushed themselves to achieve in all of the activities, the staff who accompanied them on this fantastic journey were all very proud to have witnessed such bravery from every pupil in the Year 9 group. **Well Done Year 9.**

## *Record of Achievement Day – Year 11*

On Thursday 19 June we said farewell to Year 11 by celebrating their achievements in our Record of Achievement Ceremony. Year 11 were joined by a number of guests, Associate Governor Miles Toulson Clarke, Williams Lea Mentors, our previous Deputy Heads Beryl Grosvenor and Trish McNamara, Nicola Baboneau from Hackney Parochial Charities, as well as many proud parents, carers and family members. Below is a summary of the award winners.

**Terrence** received **The Williams Lea Trophy** for excellent participation in the Mentoring and Work Experience Programmes. Terrence completed a very successful external work experience at TAG, a branch of Williams Lea Ltd. He received a glowing report praising his willingness to adapt and learn new ICT skills, he completed all tasks to a very high standard. Terrence showed a level of maturity and independence that is to be commended.

**Liam and Rebecca** were awarded **The Edward Miles Trophy** for making exceptional progress in Information Communication Technology. Rebecca has made a fantastic level of progress over the past two years which has enabled her to move forward in her ICT coursework. Liam is a very adept young man when it comes to working in computing, he quickly grasps new programmes and is able to complete the range of tasks required to complete his work.

**The Queen Elizabeth Trophy** is awarded in memory of our close association with the Queen Elizabeth Children's Hospital School, for sustained achievement through personal endeavour. This year's winner was **Mohammed** who has had to overcome a number of personal challenges through determination and sustained hard work. Mohammed has focussed on his education and learning and has aimed for success in times of great distress.

**Natalie** received **The Stephen Ryder Trophy** which is awarded to the pupil who has made consistent positive contributions to the school community. Natalie won the award by quietly and modestly working hard both inside and outside the classroom. She has been a valued member of the School Council for two years.

**John** received **The Grosvenor Award** which is awarded for remarkable achievement and passionate commitment to a particular area or areas of learning. John received the award for his commitment to his education. His positive and hardworking attitude in every subject area was outstanding.

**Brandon** was awarded **The Whitfield Award** which is in memory of Ms Jecca Whitfield and is for exceptional progress in art and design. Brandon has made excellent progress in Art over the past 2 years. He is to be commended for nurturing and developing his artistic talents through sustained effort and hard work.

**George** was awarded **The Olympic Legacy Trophy** which is awarded for phenomenal sporting achievement. He received the award for outstanding performance in a range of sporting events over the past two years. George has taken part as a member of the school squad in a number of London Youth Games competitions. He always tried his hardest in every competition.

**Tariq** was awarded **The Jack Petchey Award** a school community prize for consistently working to the best of his ability throughout year 11. He approached his learning with quiet determination to succeed.



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