



# King Edward VI Camp Hill School for Girls



May 2010

## SUMMER TERM

### Spelling Bee

Congratulations to Vibhaa Dhanda (7Y), Mary Pirozek (7X), Eleanor Ardern (7Z) and Tanzila Mukadam (7Y) who all competed in *The Times* Spelling Bee competition last month. After two gruelling rounds, the girls managed to come top overall, beating competition from schools all over the West Midlands. They progress to the semi-finals which take place in Birmingham on 21<sup>st</sup> May. Well done girls and good-luck in round two!

P. Coady

### Thursday, 22 April: Year 6 Induction Evening

This was the first big event for our incoming Year 6 students and their parents. The evening was a huge success. There was also the added dimension of a power cut and the water supply going off at 5.10pm!! However in true Camp Hill spirit the evening went ahead as planned.

Our current Year 7 lead the evening with informative and humorous accounts of life in Year 7. This included how to cope with the transition from primary to secondary, homework, extracurricular and the year so far. The climax of the evening was the ever popular Uniform Fashion Show which involved over forty of the year group. Many thanks to everyone who worked so hard during Thursday to make the evening a success.

Miss M. Meredith

**School closes on Thursday 27th May and re-opens on Monday 7th June.**

**Friday 28th May—Teacher Training Day.**

**Thursday 10th June—shortened day**

### Looking ahead to events in June/July

- 10th June—shortened day
- 21st June—Yr 8 Parents' Evening
- 22nd June—Summer Soiree—CHG
- 23rd/24th June—Yr 8 Residential
- w/b 28th June—Activities week
- 30 June—6th July Art trip to Barcelona.
- 5th July—Yr11/12 Induction Day
- 7th July—Theatre production in school grounds
- Open Day 4-6pm
- 12th July—Sports Day
- 13th July—Yr10 & 11 Arabian Nights production
- 16th July—Summer celebration and Prize Giving
- 20th—24th July—Music tour to Tuscany

### **NHS Challenge**

Year 8 recently took up the challenge of entering the NHS competition where they had to write a CV, job description and create an advertisement for their chosen profession. Their creativity and dedication to completing the challenge was amazing, with one group making it as runners-up. A huge congratulation goes to Hayley Cross, Oceanne Gallagher and Bethany Evans in 8X who worked on being medical physicists and have received a small prize from the NHS Careers Service.

Miss Veerapen would like to thank all the Year 8 students who worked on this project, I was really impressed with all of you!

### **Intermediate Mathematical Challenge**

The Intermediate Mathematical Challenge took place in February and the results were very pleasing. We had three qualifiers for the Olympiad and eleven for the Kangaroo follow-on round, four of whom were placed in the top 25% nationally and gained merits. Eva Morton in Year 9 was placed in the top 100 nationally in the Cayley Olympiad and was awarded a bronze medal by the United Kingdom Mathematics Trust. Chuyi Yang in Year 10 went one better in the Hamilton Olympiad, finishing 26<sup>th</sup> nationally and being awarded a silver medal and a book prize by the self-same UKMT.

Congratulations to all who took part!

**Mr I Bettison**

### **House Fair for Cecily's Fund—26th March 2010**

Amount	Warwick	Stratford	Meriden	Cartland	Lichfield	Priory	Total
Total	124.56	132.50	109.61	214.45	148.37	155.34	<b>884.83</b>
Coin Chain	16.77	18.19	14.93	35.06	39.79	39.03	<b>163.77</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>141.33</b>	<b>150.69</b>	<b>124.54</b>	<b>249.51</b>	<b>188.16</b>	<b>194.37</b>	<b>1048.60</b>

### **Quiz Night**

The PTA held their Family Quiz on the evening of Friday 7<sup>th</sup> May, which was a rip-roaring success and very well attended.

Paul Long and Matthew Parsons, the two Quiz Masters excelled themselves, bringing many varied, challenging rounds, with plenty of humour and innovation – we particularly recall the one where teams had to build the spaghetti and marshmallow leaning tower of Kings Heath!

We were fortunate to have the collaboration of Mrs Johnson and Dr. Rose in our team, whose knowledge on specialist subjects and Camp Hill School trivia helped our team to secure a second position – second from last anyway!

Thanks to all parents and school staff who contributed to a very successful evening which we will hopefully repeat next year.

Flor Blenkinsop

For the PTA

## Head Girl/Deputy Head Girl/House Captain Appointments For 2010 –2011

### Head Girl

Harriet Campbell

### Deputy Head Girls

Rebecca Briggs    Lareb Dean

Emelia Galkowska    Kerry Mellor

### House Captains/Deputy House Captains

#### Cartland

#### House Captain

Neha Sandhu

#### Deputy House Captain

Verity Pitt

#### Lichfield

#### House Captain

Elizabeth Stansfield

#### Deputy House Captain

Christina Wong

#### Year Prefects:

**Yr7**—Rebecca Adkins

**Yr8**—Zarina Syed

**Yr9**— Victoria Cure

#### Meriden

#### House Captain

Assia Barigou

#### Deputy House Captain

Iqra Khan

#### Stratford

#### House Captain

Kim Yen Galloway

#### Deputy House Captain

Jade Sinassamy

**Yr10**—Nicola Terry

**Yr11**—Temitayo Akindeinde

#### Priory

#### House Captain

Jenny Heath

#### Deputy House Captain

Aneeka Shah

#### Warwick

#### House Captain

Nia Rodgers

#### Deputy House Captain

Sophie Cable

#### School Council Prefects

Sophia Ingleby

Thea Lawrence

#### Term dates 2010-2011

##### Autumn Term 2010

Wednesday 1st September to

Friday 22nd October

HALF TERM

Monday 1st November to Friday 17th  
December

##### Spring Term 2011

Tuesday 4th January to Friday

18th February

HALF TERM

Monday 28th February to

##### Summer Term 2011

Tuesday 26th April to Friday 27th

May

HALF TERM

Monday 6th June to Friday 22nd July

**¿Te gusta el español?**

**¡Sí, me gusta mucho porque es interesante!**

Spanish club has continued this school year and so far we have covered topics such as describing your appearance, talking about school, using adjectives, asking and answering questions, talking about family members and pets. Spanish is a beautiful language that bears a resemblance to French and is relatively easy to pick up as a beginner. Well done to the girls who have made great progress this year!

**Señorita Webber**

**SPANISH COURSE. WEDNESDAY JUNE 9 2010 at 3.00.p.m.**

We have had an encouraging response from you with regards to the numbers wishing to join our inaugural Spanish course starting on Wednesday 9 June at 3.00 p.m. at the school.

There is still a possibility that there may be a few spaces available in the group.

So, if you have not yet decided, but are still tempted to do something fun and would like to come along, then do please contact the school and leave your details with the secretary on 444-2150.

I look forward to seeing everyone very soon. In the meantime:

¡ Felices vacaciones! ¡Hasta luego y nos veremos pronto!

J. Marcetic. (Languages Department).



**Zoya paints Pakistani Poet and Attends Shakespeare's Birthday Celebration Event**

On Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> April, the birth date of the legendary writer William Shakespeare, Zoya Ahmed in Y8 won the opportunity by the *Iqbal Academy* to recite one of the many great sonnets Shakespeare wrote at his birthplace. This was at an event held in Stratford-upon-Avon to mark the celebration of the link between the two famous poets - William Shakespeare and the most famous Pakistani poet to date, Mohammed Syed Allama Iqbal.

To begin the event, a member of the Shakespeare Birthplace Trust provided the audience with background information about Shakespeare including his life and his influence on the modern language. The talk really emphasised Shakespeare's genius and the way his works are still admired world-wide today. This was followed by a short selection of traditional Pakistani music after which Zoya and 3 other competition winners read their chosen selection of Shakespeare or Iqbal poetry. After this, they were all given the opportunity to go around Shakespeare's home and the surrounding gardens. After this they attended the unveiling of the plaque that was to mark the day and the connection between the two writers.

When the unveiling was completed, they were treated to lunch and traditional Pakistani entertainment. Zoya said, "It was a great experience to be able to see the music players live along with their dancers on such a beautiful sunny day whilst relaxing and eating. This was the highlight of the day. I feel it was a culture-rich programme which was very successful in celebrating the works of two of the greatest writers of past times and in reminding us all of their brilliance."

**Ms H Owens**

**Young Enterprise**

It was with fear and trepidation that we set off on two Saturdays in March with an aim to sell our products to the public. We all arrived at the Bullring and Touchwood in Birmingham and Solihull town centres ready to brave awkward customers, annoying customers or in some cases – no customers!

Camp Hill Girls brought a whole range of products including, personalised photo frames, phone charms, jewellery, personalised mugs and phone socks. Needless to say we also brought flair and a certain je ne sais quoi to the proceedings.

Regardless of aching feet, aching cheekbones (from smiling all day) and aching egos we all had a wonderful day. Despite the hardships, we all sold many products and came out with a tidy profit. More importantly, we learnt valuable lessons from the importance of confidence and self belief to great selling techniques to attracting customers to the Camp Hill stalls.

We have held a Christmas Fair and a Mother's Day Craft Fair within school. Once again, these were both very successful events but couldn't have taken place without Mrs. Widger.

On behalf of all the girls who took part, I would like to say a huge thank you to Mrs. Widger, without whom none of this would have been possible. She accompanied us all day at the Bullring and Touchwood, kept our spirits high and kept us well fed with an endless supply of Krispy Kreme Doughnuts. She has supported us throughout the whole process of Young Enterprise and we appreciate all that she has done for us. In addition, we'd also like to thank many other members of staff who came to see us at the Bullring and who purchased our products there as well as in school.

**Lareb Dean**

**(Hugs & Mugs)**

# MUSIC DEPARTMENT

## TEATIME CONCERT

TUESDAY 30th APRIL

**Training Strings**

and

**Training Wind Band**

gave a most enjoyable short concert along with featured soloists.

Although the "Tea" was not as plentiful as we had hoped the audience certainly was and greeted the music with great enthusiasm!

Well done to all who took part and thanks to our conductors,

Mrs Hagyard and Mr Meadows. We hope this will become an annual fixture in our busy music calendar.



## SENIOR CONCERT

TUESDAY 27th APRIL

Always a mixed-emotion affair, this leavers' concert proved memorable in many ways –not least for its great ABUNDANCE of music (a musical marathon indeed) -but most of our loyal audience stayed the course and were treated to a veritable

cornucopia of high-level music-making.

The leavers' bottle orchestra was especially entertaining!

Congratulations to all performers!

*We'll miss you Upper Sixth!*



# P Hawthorne May 2010

## Drama Department

### Chronicle – A Global Storytelling Event

The Drama department would like to offer their thanks to all those students, parents and members of the school community who performed in, contributed to or watched our recent “Chronicle” performance. During the exciting, lively and very varied evening, students from every year group were represented in 14 acts representing dance, song and drama.

Particular thanks and congratulations are due to Jenni O’Kane and Andriana Hambi (Year 11) who helped to organise and run the event as without their help the evening would not have been possible.

In total we managed to raise over £270, half of this money will be going to help the Bright Kids orphanage in Uganda, where the money will be used to buy food and chickens for the children. Many thanks go out to those people who contributed any money to help this very worthy cause, if you would like any more information on their work it can be found at the following website <http://www.thebrightkids.org>

### Year 11 Drama Trip to “Wicked”

The majority of our Year 11 Drama students went to see “Wicked” at the London Apollo Victoria Theatre. The musical, based on Gregory Maguire’s novel of the same name, focuses on the untold story of the Wicked Witch of the West. Despite getting to the theatre one hour early (nothing wrong with being keen!) and only arriving back at school at 1am, the performance was thoroughly enjoyed by all and we had a fantastic time learning to ‘Defy Gravity’!

### Year 10 Drama Trip to “The 39 Steps”

Year 10 Drama students were recently offered the opportunity to go and see the Olivier Award winning Best New Comedy Show, “The 39 Steps”, touring at the Birmingham Rep. The evening proved to be an incredibly entertaining one, with 4 actors playing 139 roles! Based on Hitchcock’s famous film of John Buchan’s original novel, the show sent up thriller films set in the 1940s and featured all the iconic moments of Hitchcock’s version, including the chase on the Flying Scotsman, the escape on the Forth Bridge and even a biplane crash! A great night where, once again, our students did us all proud!

## 2010 Biology Challenge

On Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> March at 9am, 42 Year 9 students took part in the annual Biology Challenge run by the Institute of Biology. Students were competing nationally against students aged between 13 and 16. This is the first year that Camp Hill has taken part in the competition. Students completed two online papers covering the GCSE syllabus as well as more general biological knowledge. Over 300 schools took part, and our girls performed exceptionally well with 26 girls gaining the top three accolades.

Commended	Highly Commended
Sadeka Choudhury	Anum Bhatti
Charlotte Rose	Tasmiyah Malik
Subi Subramonian	Ashleigh Pinnock
Marysia Wagstyl	Lucy Ramsden
	Symrun Samria
	Harmanjit singh
	Ameera Vadha

Bronze	Silver	Gold
Farheen Ahmed	Hannah Distin	Sarah Batten
Beth Jenkins	Joanna Egan	Jessica Climer
Sarah Moran	Sophie Hobbs	Niamh Eastwood
Hetty Mosforth	Amy Hooper	Tarana Habib
Anabelle Ng	Eva Morton	Laura Jeskins
Sophie Orr	Haridha Pandian	May Milojevic
Molly Rea	Mariam Rasool	Kate Moran
Beth Western	Katie Salter	Maariyah Najeeb
	Erica Steer	
	Adriana Whittle	

Well done to Jessica Climer who scored one of the highest scores in the country and has been invited to Imperial College, London in July to collect her award.

Well done to all girls who took part!

**Miss Rollason**

### **U16 Netball Team compete at the National Finals**

On the 19th March 2010, the U16 netball squad travelled down to Brighton with our coaches, Mrs Keane and Mrs Paul. We had achieved our place in the National Finals, to be held at Roedean School - which is situated high up on a cliff top facing the sea.

On Saturday, we certainly looked the part, having received brand new dresses and sport bags. We played 8 matches and won 2 of them. After a while, due to a lack of shelter, the extreme elements began to take their toll on the team. After a very long day, we went home in Joint 15th place overall and we can take pride in the fact that our netball team is the 2nd best school in the West Midlands and 15th in England.

As a result of our successes, we were awarded seats at the Netball Superleague Final, held at Nottingham Trent Arena on the 15th May. This fantastic opportunity was gratefully received and on behalf of Camp Hill's U16 Netball Squad I would like to thank Mrs James and the school for their continual support, Mrs Keane for organising matches throughout the season and Mrs Paul for coaching us weekly throughout the season. We couldn't have achieved so much without our great support system. Thank you!

**Jo Paul**

**(Team Captain)**

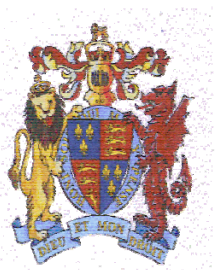
### **GCSE Dance**

Mrs Keane would like to commend the 8 girls in Year 10 who have just completed their GCSE Dance course (Charlie Cripps, Grace Bygrave, Heather Atkinson, Julia Frost, Annabel Ariathurai, Jocelyn Mildner, Lauren Machray, Beth Balkham) . The girls who were selected by audition last Summer, have studied the GCSE as an optional extra over a period of 9 months. They have worked hard to learn a complex dance for their performance piece, study the course set dance and choreograph their own dances based on chosen stimuli. In addition, the girls have had the opportunity to attend a professional dance performance 'Swan Lake' by Matthew Bourne and study a variety of professional works. Throughout the course, they have developed their understanding of dance as a whole and as a result have improved their analytical skills. I wish them all well in their written paper and for their final result which they will receive during the summer.

On behalf of the GCSE group, I would like to thank Miss Budden for all her hard work and contributions towards the course. She has been very committed to supporting the group and choreographed the excellent performance piece which the girls performed in their practical exam. We are all grateful for her help, guidance and encouragement.

**Mrs Keane**

## DO YOU KNOW WE BELONG TO A SCHOOL SPORTS PARTNERSHIP?



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“We work with 6 Secondary Schools, 21 Primary Schools, and 3 Special Schools”

### *Our Goals:*

*To support High Quality Physical Education for all pupils.*

*To provide opportunities for all young people to participate in a range of activities on school sites.*

*To promote community club links-encouraging young people to play sport and take part in activities in their local community.*

*To provide opportunity for young people to develop their potential, taking part in organised competition.*

*To provide opportunities for young people to undertake high quality leadership and volunteering roles.*

To find out more about the schools we work with and how we can support you, please contact

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