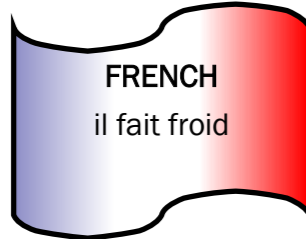


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GOVERNMENT PERIOD POVERTY SCHEME

We have now been given our grant by the Government Period Poverty Scheme to buy sanitary products. The products ordered these on Wednesday so we are now fully stocked up!!

Please can we remind you that any student can use these products and they are kept in medical.

We are still in desperate need of underwear and tights in all sizes and we will happily welcome donations of these.

Miss Cooper



YEAR 9 DISNEY TRIP

This trip has been postponed from May as there was unprecedented demand for spaces!

It will now take place on Saturday 3rd October.

If you are currently in Year 9, and would now like a place, please contact the office.

If you have already requested a space then deposits are payable on Parentpay by 31st January.

Mrs Reilly, Trip Leader

VACANCY FOR A CLEANER

We wish to recruit a new cleaner to join our team, working Monday-Friday 3.30-6.30pm term time, plus non-pupil days plus 4 weeks during school holidays. The pay is £9 per hour. If you are interested please contact Mrs Burns in school.

The Stanway Times

SPORTS AWARD EVENING



DIARY DATES

- **Monday 3rd February - Friday 20th March**
Year 11 SIGMA Examinations
- **Friday 7th February**
Non Uniform Day
- **Saturday 8th February**
VEX EDR competition at Brunel University
- **Thursday 13th February**
Year 10 Parents' Evening including Future Choices Information Evening 4.00 - 8.00pm
- **Monday 17th - Friday 21st February**
Half Term
- **Sunday 23rd February**
School Show Rehearsal 10.00am - 4.00pm
- **Monday 24th February**
Non Pupil Day
- **Tuesday 3rd - Friday 6th March**
School Show 7.00pm
- **Thursday 12th March**
Year 8 Options & Parents' Evening 4.00 - 8.00pm
- **Wednesday 11th March**
Year 10 Enrichment Day

On Wednesday 27th November, the Sports Awards took place at The Stanway School. The evening is to celebrate the achievements of particular individuals within the school and recognise their commitment to both sports and to the PE Department. The winners included both male and female performers for each year group, Team of the Year, Dance Awards at both KS3 and KS4 and Outstanding Performers at both KS3 and KS4. The students were informed that they would be receiving an award but didn't know exactly what for until the evening. All students were fantastic on the night and thoroughly deserved all of the awards that were given. Their commitment to lessons, after school clubs and matches is second to none and they have always given 100%. The competitions that they were involved in ranged from District League all the way through to National Cups.

Mr Wade started off the evening with a quick introduction followed by a question and answer session with Ryan Clampin (an ex student) who is now a professional footballer for Colchester United. He gave a talk on his personal success within football and his experiences so far. The awards were then presented to the students with each member of the PE department giving a speech beforehand on the reasons why that particular student had been chosen for the award.

Miss Larkin

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SPORTS AWARD EVENING - PRIZE WINNERS

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Girls - Year 7

Extra Curricular - Yasemin
Within Lessons - Tilly
Outside of School - Lucy

Girls - Year 8

Extra Curricular - Hannah
Within Lessons - Jess
Outside of School - Kitty

Girls - Year 9

Extra Curricular - Louise
Within Lessons - Rachel
Outside of School - Learna

Girls - Year 10

Extra Curricular - Zoe
Within Lessons - Elizabeth
Outside of School - Faye

Girls - Year 11

Within Lessons - Izzy & Chloe
Outside of School - Tiggy

Overall Girl - Hannah

Girls Team: U14 Football

Learna, Lucy, Amber, Grace, Fleur,
Tori, Lauren, Ida, Issy, Essen, Ruby,
Kitty and Louise

Boys - Year 7

Extra Curricular - Reuben
Within Lessons - Will
Outside of School - Maddox

Boys - Year 8

Extra Curricular - Henry
Within Lessons - Jack
Outside of School - Archie

Boys - Year 9

Extra Curricular - Luke
Within Lessons - Kwadwo
Outside of School - Lex

Boys - Year 10

Extra Curricular - Olly
Within Lessons - Josh
Outside of School - Jack

Boys - Year 11

Extra Curricular - Oscar
Within Lessons - Jack
Outside of School - Ben

Overall Boy - Jack

Boys Team: Year 8 Rugby

Thomas, Sammy, Ellis, George,
Patrick, Archie, Will, Henry, Joel,
Dean, Denis, Milan, Mac, Caiden
and Andy

GCSE POETRY LIVE - LONDON

On Friday 24th January, a group of staff took Year 10 students for an exciting trip to London to listen to poets walk about the poems in the GCSE anthology. The venue was at the Apollo in Victoria. It was great being able to see and watch poets, who previously has just been names in an anthology, perform beneath the huge dragon! Students also had the opportunity to get advice from the Chief Examiner about how to tackle unseen poetry. Students listened to a former poet laureate, Carol Ann Duffy and the present poet laureate, Simon Armitage. Simon is one of Britain's best poets, with a superb ear for language. This was a great opportunity to hear the Oxford Professor of Poetry read his work from the anthology. Carol Ann Duffy and Gillian Clarke gave an exhilarating joint reading. Their session was one of the most illuminating parts of the day for us. Carol Ann Duffy is one of the most read, studied and loved poets of today and such an inspired choice for the role of Poet Laureate. Her poems were sharp, funny, contemporary and also full of a literary past, whether from mythology, or Shakespeare. John Agard gave one of the most exciting performances in contemporary poetry, not only in the way he delivered his poems, but also in how he talked about them, combining historical awareness, cultural insight and extraordinary humour. Imitaz Dharker, Maura Dooley, Daljit Nagra, Owen Sheers and Grace Nicols read their work. Poets responded to student questions and discussed how poems connect to and influence other poems. The examiner sessions with a highly experienced Chief Examiner dealt with two skills vital for success in the GCSE English Literature examinations. The day ended with John Agard explaining why he wrote 'Checkin' out me History' and 'Half-Castle'. We would like to thank all the staff involved, especially Miss Jones. It was a brilliant trip and we wish all of the Year 10 students well in their future mock examinations.



Ben and Alicia



LRC COFFEE MORNING

During the past week we have met with parents and students over coffee and cake to discuss reading strategies and books, both myself and Miss Jones were really pleased with the response and have learnt that some students just need to find the right book to interest them and along with their parents did this. We have had some great feedback and this helps to share with others. With over 10,000 books in our LRC it can be a daunting task. We hope to make these coffee mornings a regular on the calendar to encourage even more positive feedback. We thank all of those that attended.



Mrs Taylor