



St Andrew's School Bedford

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Junior School Swimming Success



Year 6 Team

The Junior School Swimming teams beat Bedford Girls' School at their Swimming Gala on 10 February. All three age groups won, with an overall St Andrew's score of 115 points to Bedford Girls' School's 89 points.



Year 4 Team



Year 5 Team

In the Year 6 team, Liberty took first place in the butterfly, back stroke, and front crawl and Georgie took first in the breast stroke. In Year 5 Erin took first place in all the races and in Year 4 Lulu took first place in the butterfly, front crawl and breast stroke.

Well done to all of the girls who competed and congratulations to them and to Ms Pearce on this fantastic win.

Year 11 Enterprise Project Raises Money for Charity

The annual Enterprise Project events took place in the week before the half term break.

The girls in Year 11 formed four companies and each planned a fund raising event for a charity of their choice.



Gosh raised money for Great Ormond Street Hospital by selling friendship bracelets and knitted ribbon brooches.

Hooked organised a Pirate treasure hunt to raise money for Keech Cottage Childrens' Hospice.



Identity organised a hair and nail styling party for Years 3 to 6. The interest was so strong that they are running a second session in March. The money they raise will be donated to the Bedford Hospital diabetes clinic for children.



Strike a Pose ran fun photo shoots for Senior School girls, raising money for the Cystic Fibrosis Trust.

Year 1 Victorian Visitor



Year 1 recently had a very surprising visitor from the past. We were pleased to welcome Mrs Bartley to the classroom.

She came as a Victorian servant with a

basket of Victorian toys for the children to experience and play with, and helped them make their own Victorian Toy to take home.

This was a fascinating end to the children's History topic and helped them understand the differences between their modern toys and those with which Victorian children played.

Year 2 meet the Fire Brigade



Year 2 enjoyed a visit from the Bedfordshire Fire Brigade on Monday 14 February.

They learned all about fire safety and also how to direct a fire hose onto a fire. One of the most important facts they learned was what to do when clothes catch fire. YouSTOP, DROP, and Roll.

Junior School Council Fund Raising



The Junior School Council organised and ran a sale for The Home of Hope Orphanage in Malawi. Everyone brought books, toys, gifts and cakes to sell and we made a whopping £187.35 for the children in Malawi. It was fantastic to see so much generosity and goodwill from everyone.



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DT Club



This term we have made salad tongs in DT club. The girls were quite excited to bend and shape their tongs ready for use in the warmer weather.

The next project is making jewellery boxes from high quality softwood. Watch this space for images later in the term.

If you would like to be involved in DT Club. speak to Ms Scorer and come along on Wednesday lunchtime between 13.10 and 13.45.

Your Daughter—A Guide to Raising Girls

This book, based on the popular Girls School Association website MyDaughter, is a great source of advice and information.

You can order a copy through the MyDaughter website at www.mydaughter.co.uk

House Dance Competition

The final of the House Dance competition took place on 17 February. Each year group from Years 5 to 9 entered a team for each of the three houses; Stuart, Tudor and Windsor.

Each year group had been allocated a piece of music and each team choreographed their own dance. The Junior and Senior School winners were Stuart House, with 50 House points each. Pictured are the Senior School winners, the Year 7 Stuart team.



Year 8 Drama Workshop Day at The Place Theatre



On Tuesday 1 February, Year 8 experienced a drama workshop day, led by Mr Thompson, our Director in Residence and the Borough Advanced Skills Teacher for Drama.

The workshop was based on the Greek myth of Perseus. The girls spent the day developing their physical theatre and ensemble skills, including 'flying'. At the end of the day the girls had excellent knowledge of the Perseus myth and of the skills they had been learning.



Potton Show Inter School Challenge



A team of St Andrew's girls entered the Potton Show Inter-Schools point-to-point.

Annie Tomblin in Year 9 won the individual competition. Congratulations Annie!

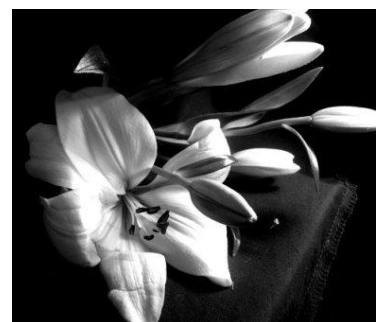
The St Andrew's team of Georgie, Caroline and Annie from Year 9 and Katie from Year 6, were placed third overall. A great achievement against competition from six other schools.

Bedfordshire Festival of Music, Speech and Drama

Good luck to all the St Andrew's girls taking part.

Year 10 Art Photography

Year 10 have been experimenting with photography as part of their latest Art project. Here are a selection of images from their work.



Comenius Energies Art Project

Year 9 are working on an art project aimed at using unwanted and difficult to recycle plastic bottle tops.



The hope is that we will create a piece of public art for all to enjoy while doing our bit to protect the environment. Pupils have made observational drawings of cupcakes and have analysed their shapes and proportions. Currently they are practising the layout in readiness for making their final pieces.

The project links in with Food Technology where they are designing cupcakes to sell in order to raise money for a local charity and with Design Technology where they are making posters and promotional material to help sell the cakes.

Full details of the project can be found in the online Energies magazine at

http://magazinefactory.edu.fi/magazines/eEnergies2009_2011/index.php?str=40&artCat=16&artID=187