



Dear Parents and Carers

14 March 2018

Following our bumper edition last week we have a very short newsletter this week.

It has been a very disrupted time with the weather and illnesses but we are getting back to normal. Thank you again for your support with the snow closure.

Year 11 are currently completing last minute mock exams along with practical exams in a variety of subjects and we wish them well with those.

TECHNOLOGY COMPETITION



We were pleased to enter 4 teams into this year's Southport Rotary Technology Competition, hosted at Greenbank High last Friday. The brief was to design and build a 'Launcher' to fire a 'Space Capsule', containing metrological instruments, into the stratosphere. The 'Space Capsule' had to be launched vertically, passing through a 300mm diameter target to a minimum height of 3 metres. It had to be remotely triggered via a release mechanism from over 1 metre away and the capsule had to return to as close as possible from the launch site. The teams competed against other schools across Sefton and did the school proud both in the competition and for the conduct, behaviour and sportsmanship.

Final Competition Standings are as follows;

Beginners Competition (Key Stage 3)

1st Birkdale High School (Charlie Campbell, Sven Grutters and Jack Honeyball)

2nd Birkdale High School (Jack Marrin, Josh Nelson, Aaron Peacock and Mackenzie Price)

3rd Greenbank High School

Intermediate Competition (Key Stage 4)

1st Greenbank High School

2nd Maghull High School

3rd Birkdale High School (Callum Donaldson, Emils Garuts, Jordan Roberts and Ellis Watterson)

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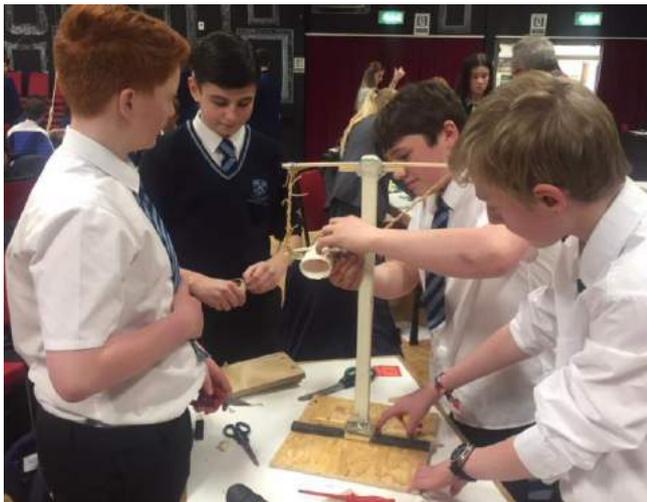
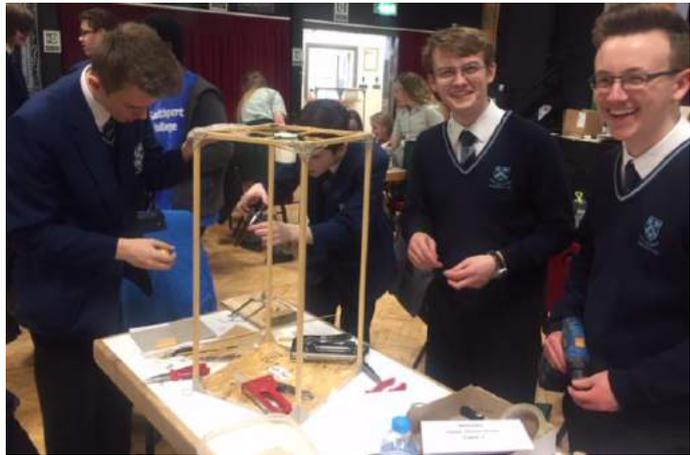
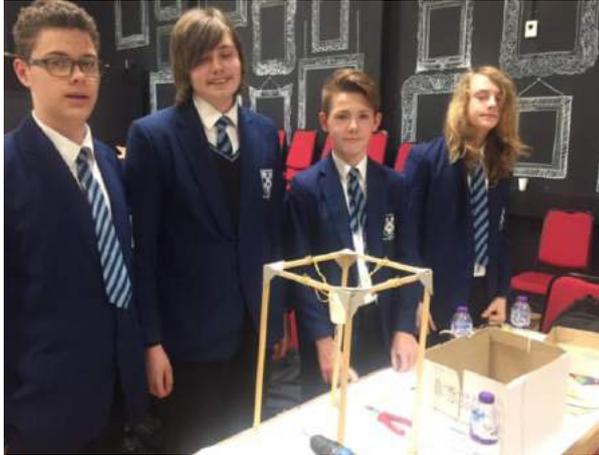
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It is noted that our other Intermediate team (and defending champions - Sam Cooper, Nathan Crewe, Ben Harvey and Arran Messenger) were unlucky with technical issues at the crucial (and final) moments, which meant that they were unable to place (if not win again)..... but goes to show that life's not always fair lads! ;). Thanks to Mr Jones for organising everything for us to attend and to the Rotary Club for such a great experience once again.



PE/SPORTS NEWS

Sefton Schools Cross Country

Last Wednesday, thirty five of our boys travelled to Stanley High School to compete in the third and final Sefton Schools League Race of the season. After superb performances from everyone involved, two of our three teams have a good chance of winning their respective leagues to become Sefton Champions once again. Congratulations to everyone involved!

Mr Quirk

Merseyside Schools Indoor Athletics Championships

Tomorrow, eighteen Year 7 and 8 boys are representing the borough in this year's Merseyside School Games Sports Hall Athletics Finals. Having won their respective North Sefton Sports Hall Athletics tournaments earlier this term, the boys will now be competing on behalf of Sefton in the tournament held at Wavertree Sports Park in Liverpool. The boys will be leaving Birkdale at 8am in the morning and departing from the venue for a return trip to school at approximately 12.30pm. Good luck to everyone taking part.

Mr Quirk

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Sefton Schools Basketball Finals

Following another impressive and successful season, all five of our Basketball Teams have managed to progress to the Final of their respective cup competitions which is a superb achievement. The first game takes place at Deyes High School this evening. Our opponents in each year group competition are as follows:

- Year 7 versus Stanley HS
- Year 8 versus Meols Cop HS
- Year 9 versus Litherland HS
- Year 10 versus Meols Cop
- Year 11 versus Deyes HS Sixth Form

Congratulations on another great season boys and good luck!

Mr Quirk

Year 8 Football

Yesterday the Year 8 (under 13) football squad took part in the Everton FC football 9-a-side knockout competition. The winners being given a place at Finch Farm in the grand finals in the Summer.

Birkdale opened up with a cagey 0-0 draw against Christ the King and in the next game CTK beat Formby Range 1-0. This meant that in the final group game only a 2-0 win or more would be good enough for Birkdale.

Starting with 3 up front, Birkdale went for the goals from the off and on the whole looked good for the win but just did not seem to be able to score. Then, with only 4 minutes left, Birkdale scored twice in 2 minutes through Ben Snape to secure a place in the final.

The final was against Formby High and Birkdale started promisingly, dominating possession. Despite bossing this game Birkdale were unable to get the goal they deserved and the tournament was to be decided on penalties. Oliver Sharples proved to be the hero saving 3 penalties as Birkdale went through worthy winners to the Finch Farm finals in June. Well done boys!

Mr Cunliffe

Under 14 Merseyside Schools Football

Mikey O'Neill from Year 9 made it into the Merseyside Schools football squad this season and the team have gone from strength to strength. The team have reached the National Final to be played at a professional stadium before the football season finishes in May. They are playing Kent Schoolboys and have beaten teams representing Surrey, Shropshire, Cleveland, Greater Manchester, Bedfordshire and Lancashire. Mikey has weighed into the cup run scoring three goals along the way. Good luck to Mikey and well done to the team picked from the best schoolboys in Merseyside.

Mr Cunliffe

YEAR 8 PARENTS' EVENING – THURSDAY 22 MARCH 2018

The Year 8 Parents' Evening will be on Thursday 22 March 2018 and the booking system is open.

Mrs Ellis

GCSE SCIENCE QUIZ LEAGUE

The deadline for the latest quizzes is Friday 16th March. "Exchange surfaces" Biology quiz for Year 9 and Year 10. Year 11 have two quizzes to complete: "Nervous system and hormones" and "Heart and blood". The notice board will be updated next week so you can check your position. Good luck!



GREEN MACHINE

Veggie Debate

March is Vegetarian Month and members of The Green Machine offered to organise a debate about the issue. It's on Wednesday, 21st March, in the Media Hall from 3.15pm - 4.00pm.

Everyone – boys and staff - will be most welcome and refreshments are available.

It should be really interesting. Please encourage your boys to come along!

Mrs Bradley

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OUR WEEK IN TWEETS

Birkdale High School @BirkdaleHS

Congratulations to Lewis Ball on a great start to the catering practical exam today. Bet Mr Ascough really enjoyed his lunch!!
#chefinthemaking #masterchefuk

1:17 pm - 12 Mar 2018 from Southport, England

Heien Jeffery @heienj

Physical Theatre with 8SHW
@BirkdaleHS_Dram @BirkdaleHS @TmesisTheatre

4:20 am - 9 Mar 2018

Helen Jeffery @helenj1987

DAMIEN MOORE MP
Member of Parliament for Southport

HOUSE OF COMMONS
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Dear Sam,
I would like to extend my warmest congratulations to you for your recent championship success.
I was thrilled to read that you have won the title of Royal Yachting Association North West Youth Champion for the second year in a row.
Again congratulations and best wishes for the future!

Damien

Birkdale High School @BirkdaleHS - 3h
I was very pleased to hand today a personal letter of congratulations from @damienmooremp! Well done sam Cooper! - at Birkdale High School

Birkdale High Art @BirkdaleHS_Art

Lovely painting skills from Year 9 Eliot King. Looking forward to seeing it finished.

Birkdale High Art @BirkdaleHS_Art

Another finished piece from Year 11 Ben Gaskell. Portfolio building nicely.

Birkdale High Art @BirkdaleHS_Art

More progress from our incredibly hard working Year 11 student Arran Messenger. Months in the making. Nearly there.
#dedication

Birkdale High Art @BirkdaleHS_Art

Good album design from Year 11 Sam Baldwin. All we need now is David Bowie's face.

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Looking forward to this being finished by Year 9 Tom Carragher.

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Lovely snow tiger from Year 10 student John Took.

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BPA NEWS

Comedy Bingo – Friday 11 May 2018

The Birkdale Parents Association would like to invite parents to their next big fundraising event. Comedy Bingo on Friday 11th May 7pm at Southport Rugby Club. A licensed bar will be open all night and nibbles will be provided too. Tickets are £12 each and ALL profits go towards the nice extras for ALL the boys at Birkdale High School.

Please see the attached information flyer and ticket request form. Tickets are limited so don't delay. Hope to see as many of you as possible there for a fun night.

BPA Meeting

The next meeting will take place on Monday 30th April at 7pm. All welcome.

Yours faithfully

Mr G Bourgade
Headteacher

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Birkdale High Comedy Bingo Ticket Request Form

Friday 11th May at Southport Rugby Club

Name.....

Sons Name..... Form.....

Number of Tickets Required..... at £12 each

I enclose cash/cheque (made payable to BPA) for £.....

Contact Number.....

Email Address.....

Please send all requests to the school office in an envelope marked:

BPA Comedy Bingo Tickets by Friday 27th April.

Tickets are limited so don't wait till the last minute.



COMEDY BINGO

Presented By Brendan Riley
PRIZES PRIZES PRIZES PRIZES PRIZES PRIZES

Raising Funds For Birkdale High School
Friday 11th May
Doors 7.00 pm Eyes Down 7.30 pm
Venue: Southport Rugby Club

Tickets £12 Places Limited : Book Quickly
For All Information Email bpa@birkdalehigh.co.uk