

30th June 2017

# Chipping Sodbury School Newsletter



## Year 6-7 Induction 2017

We recently welcomed our new Year 7 students to Chipping Sodbury School for two days of Induction. All children sampled a number of lessons, became familiar with the school canteen and rehearsed moving around the school from subject to subject. Learning how to use the Bunsen burners in science was clearly a great hit. On Friday morning, the whole school came together for a range of House activities to introduce the primary children to their vertical tutor groups. We are very much looking forward to working together from September.



## Twinning visit to France

Chipping Sodbury students welcomed their exchange partners from Cesson, our Twin Town in France, at the beginning of June, and our French visitors also came in to school to experience the English education system and practise their English. We are very grateful to Adrian Mitchell from the Sodbury and District Twinning Association, who organised the hosting and a range of superb activities for our students and guests. We are looking to visit France in October/November – if you are interested in taking part, please look out for further details which will be sent out shortly, or contact Mr Pugh (Head of MFL) on: [Chris.Pugh@chippingsodburyschool.com](mailto:Chris.Pugh@chippingsodburyschool.com)

## Forthcoming Dates

### July

3rd Start of new timetable  
5th Y11 Prom  
6th Parents' Evening 6  
10-12th PGL Barton Hall trip  
12th Whole school sports day  
21<sup>st</sup> End of term

### September

Fri 1<sup>st</sup> INSET – school closed  
Mon 4<sup>th</sup> INSET – school closed  
Tues 5<sup>th</sup> Start of Term 1  
14<sup>th</sup> Open Evening

## Locker Notice

Students are reminded that all school lockers must be cleared out by the end of this term. This includes students who have already paid for a locker for next year. Such students will not retain their current locker, but will be issued a new one in September.



## Tae-Kwon-Do

Congratulations to Grace Cameron, who has passed her black belt in Tae-Kwon-Do grading with distinction, the only person graded to do so. Grace was also awarded best junior coloured belt grading. Well done!



## Sporting Success

### Trampolining

Well done also to Keegan Beck, Mia Williams, Freya Taplin, Ruby Deacon, Chelsea Hopson and Jessica Hopson who all took part in a trampolining competition at Strode College in Street last weekend.

Over 100 competitors took part and the Chipping Sodbury students, representing their group Cosmos, achieved some good results including 2nd place for Jessica, 11th for Keegan and 12th for Chelsea in their respective categories.



### Grants for 16-21 Year Olds

The Wills Davis Atwell Charity make small grants to young people between the ages of 16 to 21, who live in the Parish of Yate and are entering into an apprenticeship, training or Further/Higher Education to assist with the purchase of materials, books or equipment.

An application form can be obtained by emailing [info@yatecouncil.gov.uk](mailto:info@yatecouncil.gov.uk), telephoning 01454 866506 or by writing to:

The Wills Davis Atwell Charity  
c/o Poole Court  
Poole Court Drive  
Yate  
South Gloucestershire  
BS37 5PP

The closing date for completed application forms to be submitted is 30<sup>th</sup> September 2017.

### Youth Speaks Competition 2017

Calling all young orators in Year 8—get ready to stand and be heard at the Rotary Youth Speaks competition. This is a well established and successful competition promoted by Rotary International in Britain and Ireland. It is a four-stage competition designed to support and encourage development of effective communication skills. Teams of two or three will present to judges on a subject of the team's choice, with winners progressing to the next stage.

More information will be coming soon via your English teachers but if you want further information or want to indicate your interest contact Miss Mills in the English Department.

([samantha.mills@chippingsodburyschool.com](mailto:samantha.mills@chippingsodburyschool.com)). We hope to meet all interested students before the end of the year so we can get going in September!

### Goodwood Race Report — Greenpower Pod Movement Team

On Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2017 the Pod team went to its first race of the 2017 season at Goodwood.

The team got there at 8:00am and we made some adjustments to the car before scrutineering. We wanted to get it through as soon as possible as there were some cars still there at the end of practice (11:30am). When we finally passed scrutineering we got the gazebo out and went straight over to the rules and regulations speech. When that was over our new driver, Ollie, needed to get on the track in practice so he would be allowed to race. After Ollie, the rest of the team went out to check if our new car (POD-SIX) was ok as we didn't know how it would perform. After practice, we had 20 minutes to get ready for the first race.

It was time for Race 1 and Josh was first to go. Our car was doing pretty well: it started 50<sup>th</sup> on the grid as it's a new car but got up to 17<sup>th</sup> place. Our results were showing well — even the telemetry was half working. Josh came in and Ollie went out. It was a good stop but we had dropped to 24<sup>th</sup>. Ollie got the car to 23<sup>rd</sup> and then Kendra went in. This took us back to 25<sup>th</sup> as the cars behind were very slow. Kendra was doing well until the telemetry results showed a depreciation in the stats of how much power we were using. We thought it was a fault at first but on the final lap the car suddenly stopped and we fell behind, eventually finishing in 35<sup>th</sup> place.

We then had lunch and prepared for Race 2. It took a really long time to get the race started and so it was cut back to one hour. This was good as it meant we could go full throttle. Ellis was first in the car and got the team off to a great start but, unlike last race, didn't get higher than 24<sup>th</sup>. Ollie was next to drive; we dropped four places in the changeover and two more while Ollie was going round, taking us to 30<sup>th</sup> place. We lost a few more places in the next changeover but Lauren made up for these with her driving. In the end we got 29<sup>th</sup>.

It was a good two races and we were happy with our results. If you would like to see the stats of the race then go to <http://www.bbk-online.net/gpt/event148.htm>.

You can also see the best distances of the day at <http://www.bbk-online.net/gpt/bestdistance148.htm>.

**The Pod Movement team**



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