Beaufort NEWS
AUTUMN 2014
Dear Parents

Despite being the longest term of the year the last 3 months have slipped past very quickly and I put this down to a term crammed full of activities and events for our students.

I have been particularly struck by the energy and the buzz in school and especially the way that this has extended to after school activities.

I have had the pleasure of visiting a range of after school activities this term and in all cases I have been impressed by the commitment and positivity of the students whether this is engaging with after school clinics, undertaking their home learning at Home Learning Club, participating in the vast array of sporting activities or cracking codes at Cipher Club.

Of course none of this would happen without the commitment and dedication of the staff at Henry Beaufort who give up a considerable amount of their time to ensure that students have a wealth of opportunities beyond the normal school day. I know that they appreciate the positive feedback and the expression of thanks that they receive from students and parents.

So many of our students are also involved in activities outside of school and I am delighted that we have been able to include some of these in our newsletter. Please do keep us informed of your children’s successes beyond school so that we can share their achievements with our wider community.

However, this term’s spotlight must be focused on all the students, staff, parents and volunteers who contributed to bringing ‘Les Mis’ to its production in November. Over two exciting nights Henry Beaufort took over the Theatre Royal in Winchester and put on a show worthy of a place in the West End.

On your behalf I would like to thank everyone involved for such an impressive evening. It was certainly an emotional roller coaster of an evening, moving from high drama, through comic touches and then on to the tragic and heartbreaking ending. I don’t think there was a dry eye in the house. It was a superb family occasion and it was such a pleasure to be able to share this wonderful performance with the Mayor of Winchester, governors, parents and grandparents as well as current and former students and teachers. I think what summed it up for me was a comment made to me by one parent after the performance that this was a ‘once in a lifetime opportunity that will stay with the students for the rest of their lives’.

We are so lucky to have such dedicated staff at our school who will find the time and the energy to provide these opportunities for our students.

Whilst we are on the subject of making us all proud, I would like to reflect back to the 11th of November when students of Henry Beaufort yet again demonstrated their responsible and respectful response to Armistice Day and the commemoration of the outbreak of the First World War. Students from across the year groups were responsible for taking the whole school assembly in the morning and the Poppy Installation in the Concert Hall was incredibly moving. I was delighted that the united effort of all of our students was recognised with a public acknowledgement on the front page of the Hampshire Chronicle for that week.

We say farewell to a number of staff this term. Ms Morgan is retiring after 21 years. Over this time Ms Morgan has taken on a number of roles within school, most recently as Assistant Academic Leader for Humanities as well as the co-ordination of the Year 11 Community programme. She had ably supported the Humanities team as the RE specialist and given hours of her time to her tutor groups. This barely scratches the surface of her work in school and of course we must not forget her work as an Advanced Skills Teacher of RE for the Local Authority. We wish her a happy retirement.

Mrs Furman is also leaving this term. Mrs Fursman has been at Henry Beaufort since 1989 and in this time has undertaken a variety of roles from Co-ordinator of Ethos and Guidance to Assistant Headteacher to her current role as Academic Leader of Humanities. She has provided invaluable support to her team and to the many newly qualified teachers and trainee teachers who have worked within Humanities. We wish her well for the future.

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We also say goodbye to Mr King who is moving on to a new post. Mr King has been a great addition to the PE team and most recently as Acting Pastoral Leader for Athens, a role that I hope has given him a taste for
pastoral work in the future.

Mrs Harris, the school’s personnel assistant is stepping down from her role to spend more time with her family. Mrs Harris has been an exceptional personnel assistant. Her attention to detail, her efficiency and her loyalty to the school will make her a very hard act to follow.

Mrs MacMahon also leaves at the end of this term and we thank her for the work she has undertaken in the Learning Resource Centre.

Mrs Airs, school receptionist takes up a new post in the New Year and we thank her for all her hard work and care and support given to students.

We welcome to the school in the spring term Mrs West who will be joining the Humanities Team. Mrs Watts will be returning from maternity leave and Mr Tramaseur will be joining the ICT Team. Miss Adams will take on the role of Assistant Academic Leader for Humanities and Mrs Strevens will take on the role of Acting Academic Leader for Humanities.

Last term I informed you about a new initiative for the Henry Beaufort cluster schools in the form of a Learning Vision from Key Stage 1 to 4. I am pleased to inform you that the first stage of this learning initiative will be launched in January 2015. Student representatives from all 8 schools will come together for a morning programme focused on; ‘what does learning look like in my school?’

Our own learning initiative [HB]² goes from strength to strength and this year the school community has set itself the target of improving the impact of questioning in class and developing working memory. In November we held an INSET day for teaching staff that looked specifically at these aspects of learning and how we can build them more explicitly into the schemes of work for the new national curriculum.

I look forward to seeing you in the Spring Term.

Miss S Hearle
Headteacher

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WELCOME TO NEW STAFF AUTUMN TERM

Miss B Adams - AAL Humanities
Mr S Fennell - ICT Network Manager
Mrs E Gough - Personnel Assistant
Mrs F Jackson - LSA
Mr R Joyner - ICT Technician
Mr C Mallett - LSA
Mrs G Motte - LSA
Mr C Naisbitt - PE
Miss K Priest - Marketing & Media Coordinator
Mr S Tramaseur - ICT
Miss F West - Humanities

FAREWELL TO

Mrs E Airs - Receptionist
Mrs T Alexandre - IT
Mrs J Fursman - AL Humanities
Mrs S Harris - AL Personnel Assistant
Mr A Kirk - IT
Mr R King - PE
Mrs J MacMahon - Librarian
Ms P Morgan - AAL Humanities
Mrs S Paulley - Receptionist
Ms A Ricci - MFL

UNIFORM SHOP OPENING TIMES
Selling uniform and curriculum supplies.
Any on-line orders made must be collected by students during the shop opening times only.

Monday - Friday
10:35am – 10:50am Break
11:50am – 12:40pm Lunch
14:40pm – 15:00pm After School

We welcomed many of this summer’s leavers back to the Presentation Evening in November when awards and examination certificates were presented to students. Our speaker this year was Aaron Philpps who represented GB in Paralympic wheelchair rugby - otherwise known as Murderball - at the London Olympics. He spoke about the illness that led to being in a wheelchair and about the personal qualities he needed to be a success.

Almost all the teachers were at the evening and the informal part of the evening after the presentations was very busy, with lots of students wanting to tell us about their experiences at college. It was also a great opportunity to say a final goodbye to parents, some of whom have been involved with the school for many years.

Mr Hicks, Deputy Headteacher

Children in Need Bake Sale
On Friday 14th November I held a Bake Sale in aid of Children in Need. Cakes were priced between 10p and 55p, we raised a grand total of £101.88! A big thank you to Rhys Wooldridge, Ceira Bush, Connor Haynes, Owen Hill, Mrs Guppy and Mr Mordecai without whom the sale wouldn’t have been such a roaring success. Thank you to all who bought cakes and donated to this excellent cause!

Gabriel McManus, Year 8

Poppy Appeal
The Royal British Legion has thanked the school for helping with their Appeal. £279.76 was collected.

Vacancy
Catering Assistant
Required for School Kitchen
15 hours per week
(for maternity cover)
Please contact Denise Stuart 07718146863
Year 11 Careers Guidance

We were pleased to welcome representatives from colleges, employers and universities to our Post 16 Information evening on 1st October this term. All Year 11 students had a chance to visit during the afternoon and many returned with their parents in the evening to hear about the opportunities available. They could then talk directly to the colleges or employers. For the first time the evening was opened to Year 9 and 10 and many of them attended with their parents to get early information that will help them to make decisions in the next couple of years.

Colleges have also presented assemblies to year 11 to give detailed information about their courses and what they can offer. One common message was that students need to visit the colleges to see what they feel like and whether the college suits the student. I am pleased that many students have been to Open Evenings this term. The other message was that students can apply to more than one college at this stage if they have any doubts about what is best for them. I would encourage this. It’s much better to have some choice in the summer and the ability to turn something down.

We have also given students information about apprenticeships. This is an increasingly popular route both at 16 and at 18. There are different levels of apprenticeships available depending on your qualifications.

The Rotary Club visited the school in December to give interview practice to all students in Year 11. Students filled in a brief CV and were then interviewed about their plans for the future. They were then given feedback about how they presented themselves and advice about their chosen career. We hope this will help all our students in their upcoming interviews for college places or for apprenticeships. Our thanks go to the members of the Rotary Club who gave up the day to support Henry Beaufort students.

On top of all of this our independent careers advisor Olwen Parkinson continues to meet individual students and give them information and support. She is happy to meet parents as well if this is appropriate. Any student wishing to arrange an interview should ask their tutor to contact Mrs Parkinson on their behalf.

Mr Hicks,
Deputy Headteacher

Year 11 Work Experience

“A credit to themselves and the school”

During the first two weeks of the Autumn Term over 195 Year 11 students were out of school on Work Experience. For many students this was their first experience of working life. For some, the experience will have helped them to make decisions about what they would like to do in the future. For others it was an opportunity to experience a new environment and build useful skills to make them more employable once they finish their education. Students found placements in a wide variety of large and small commercial, industrial, educational and charitable organisations in Hampshire and other locations as far afield as Edinburgh and London. Feedback from employers has been extremely positive with some employers asking to take more students next year based on this year’s placements. Students were judged by employers to be well mannered, personable, courteous and enthusiastic; in all a credit to themselves and the school. Well done Year 11!

A meeting will be held on Thursday 8th January 2015 for parents of Year 10 students to outline plans for 2015 Work Experience, invitations will be sent nearer to the date.

Mrs Hine, Exams Officer
Les Miserable has been an incredible experience for all involved and I’m sure the memories will stay with us for a very long time to come. A huge amount of hard-work and dedication went into it, not just the performances but also the rehearsals leading up to it.

It all started off in early April when the auditions took place. Since then the cast have been enthusiastic and willing to learn the 30 new songs in this astonishing musical. It took from May until July to learn these songs and along the way we have had support from teachers in school such as; Mrs Seddon, Miss Finklaire and Miss Longland. As well as this we had help from peripatetic staff such as Miss Orba.

The first time the whole cast came together and performed one of the musical’s renowned songs “One Day More!” was at the rising stars concert in June. What a magical event - this was the first time we all saw the cast’s potential to do an amazing performance of this show. The next time we performed this wondrous hit was at the Celebration Assemblies at the end of the summer term; this was the first time the staff, students and parent got a sneak preview of what all our hard work was developing into.

After the summer holiday we came back in September and we were all counting down. We had 3 months to arrange the acting, props, set and orchestra with the cast, it was a stressful time! The orchestral sheet music arrived in September so it was time for the band to start rehearsing the marvellous score.

Mrs Seddon was responsible for conducting the orchestra and she did a wonderful job. Not only did she keep the orchestra going but also the singers and soloists. With band rehearsals Mondays and Wednesdays the orchestra worked on three songs an evening in preparation for the important rehearsals yet to come, where we would be bringing together both singers and band. In the performances the orchestra were kindly supported by friends of the school and peripatetic Hampshire Music Service staff. We were also supported by our very own Miss Finklaire who did a brilliant job on keyboard! At the same time the cast were working daily after school to correct and perfect the acting with props and set ready for the final performance.

Closer to the performance the rehearsals got longer and more intense, much like the rehearsals we were doing over the October Half Term and two Saturday rehearsals where we finalised both playing and performing with the parental help of Mr Maundery Mr Conroy and Mr Hemming. Above all the most exciting of our rehearsals was our final dress rehearsal at the Theatre Royal Winchester, merely hours before the performance in full dress and make up! The members of the orchestra got used to having the cast above them and also what it was like to play in the orchestra pit at the theatre.

We performed two nights at the theatre and... wow, what an experience! We all really enjoyed the whole thing; everything from the acting to the music, to the technical. All this would never have been possible if it wasn’t for Miss East and all her hard work.

Thank you very much to everyone who supported this performance; especially the Athens team, who did a fantastic job with music, acting, set design, costume and organisation. It has been such an amazing production to be a part of.

Moesha Coffey and Lauren Cartwright, Year 11
Henry Beaufort Remembers
Whole School Assembly

WW1 Sonnet Poem- Will I?

Will I die in the fields that I fight in?
Will I be able to walk back alive?
Why shoot when aware that killing is sin?
Can't quit until they know that I have tried.

I could see combat from every squadron,
Blinding bullets spat from misty trenches.
Approaching the battle field with caution,
All these dead bodies creating stenches.

Whether we win or lose it's down to fate.
Who knows what peril we will be facing,
My sight clearing, with my path set on straight.
Our torsos' in lines, but our minds' pacing.

Whether we win or lose its down to fate.
Only hoping I don't see my death date...

by Alex Treacy, Year 9

Valour

How did I not die in the fields I fought in?
Walking back from war, un-slain but injured.
This thought of killing is an endless din
In the shadow the enemy lingered.

These memories will haunt my mind for life,
Bullets screaming my name, just can't let go
Coming home as a hero to my wife,
Here I stand in valour as a hero.

Our nations proud as we vanquished the war.
I'll speak of the days I battled my foe
I can only think of the horrors I saw,
The fierce frame of mind, only soldiers know...

Here I stand in valour as a hero
Once plenty of comrades but now zero.

by Felicity Wells, Year 9

Optimist,

Head bestowed, eager for fame,
A man wishing to heal the world, desperate for change,
Never knew the patriotic soldier was just a phase,
The wretched lie, resulted in loss of an eye,
Can't you see?
Exactly the same, simply a victim of their game,
I now stare at this war blindly,
For it changed me,
It changed us all

by Anya Athwal, Year 9

Pessimist,

Head bent, he'd forgotten his name,
A boy charged with the problems of the world, he failed
to engage,
Never knew that he would sustain far worse than a
graze,
He lost an eye, to the wretched lie,
Can't you see?
Exactly the same, simply a victim of their game,
I used to look at this war idly
For it changed me,
It changed us all

by Anya Athwal, Year 9

Enlist today!

The world is at war, but YOU want more!
With your trusty steed, the war will end with speed.
STOMP, STOMP, STOMP as everyone walks as one
and at the end of the day your fears will none.

You must be a lion, bold and brave.
For it is up to you, there's a country to save.
The swords and guns are waiting for you
and if they're not taken then YOU'RE a wimp too!

Why not fight, in the rain or sun?
Come on in, it will be fun!
Fight for freedom, or be alone,
If you do not join, then everyone will moan.

So join the fight and win we may,
Get your weapons out and enlist today!!

by Thomas Liddiard
My name is Jack Hide and I’m a Year 10 student. I enjoy taking photos and over the years my skills have improved a lot. When I was seven I got my first camera. I had a disposable box camera but it was a fixed shot. As I got older, I got a better camera, a small digital one. Now I have a SLR camera with changeable lenses.

My preference is for taking photographs of animals and wild life.

The way to take good photos is with good technique. It’s always good to be ready to take a shot when you see it. That means having the camera ready to use quickly. I have different lenses ready to fit for long shots or close ups. A key thing to always remember is being patient and waiting for that shot. Using Sport’s Mode on a camera is a quick way to take more than one picture of moving objects. Sometimes to prepare for a shot it is best to put it into manual zoom.

Jack Hide, Year 10

In this piece I have included some examples of my photos. One of my favourite photos is a tiger cub sat on top of a tree that’s in his enclosure. When I saw it, I couldn’t resist taking a picture. It felt like the cub was looking right at me and when the time was right I took the photo.

Another one of my favourite photos is of a Peregrine Falcon. I went to a Hawk Conservatory. In one of the displays a Peregrine Falcon landed on the handler’s glove. It was one of my best photos of birds. With birds it’s a lot harder to take a good picture because they are flying, but you can still use Sports Mode to have a better chance of catching a good image. Most modern cameras have this function.
The main focus of the trip was to ‘Build Bridges’ through music and dance. This meant that our students were often, and happily, taken out of their comfort zone to take part in school choir rehearsals, whole school orchestra rehearsals and traditional and modern dance sessions including the rather fast paced Pizzica.

Through music and dance our pupils were often given challenges which meant they had to work with pupils from other countries. This, of course, was highly challenging as often language was a barrier to their being able to communicate with ease.

With sheer determination however our pupils were able to overcome these trials and develop their own interesting, and sometimes highly creative, ways to communicate and work together. All of this hard work paid off as at the end of the week there was a stunning performance by all the students, at the Bisceglie Theatre. This fantastic event drew in people from all over the town and demonstrated how important this project really is.

There are many highlights from the week in Bisceglie including learning new languages and about new cultures, eating copious amounts of Stracciatella and chocolate gelato and of course watching Mr Burgess dance!

It was a highly enjoyable and enriching experience for all involved and we really have built some bridges.

*Miss G Sutherland, English teacher*

Here are some students’ reflections:

I thoroughly enjoyed my Italian experience and would strongly recommend this trip, as it was so much fun. I learnt lots about Italian food and their culture. We visited the Dolmen - an old stone-made prison, Cathedrals, theatres, the beach and a sweet and chocolate museum. The ice-cream was delicious, as were the pizza and pasta dishes!

*Thomas Liddiard Year 9*

Italy was brilliant! I came home with so many good memories. The food was nice and I learnt lots of Italian. Bisceglie was a beautiful town, with fantastic views and it was really hot. Thank you very much for this opportunity- it was one of the best experiences ever!!

*Saskia Servini Year 8*
Human Rights group raise money for Amnesty International

The Year 11 Human Rights group has been raising money this term for Amnesty International. Meeting on a Wednesday afternoon, the group chose ways to raise money around the school for the charity, which focuses on human rights across the globe. On Wednesday 10th December, students organised a Bake Sale, selling a selection of homemade cakes to fellow classmates and staff. Year 11 group members were on hand to dish out the treats, and take donations from customers. Buyers were pushed for choice with a range of brownies and cupcakes, which flew out of their boxes as a mid morning snack. £120 was raised.

The group of students are also organising a non-uniform day at the end of term to further boost the funds raised, requiring students to pay £1 each in order to leave their school uniform at home for the day. A great way to get students from all year groups involved in fundraising!

Miss Priest

DANCING
Megan Wheeler
Year 7

Megan was asked to dance with James Lacey age 6 from Princes Mead School as part of their school achievements assembly. James is in her dance class and they had not danced before but she wanted to help him out as his current partner was not available. She was a great ambassador for the school and was polite and shook the Head’s hand who thanked her when we left.

Megan has been dancing for about a year now and has already come first twice and second twice in recent competitions. Her aim is to dance at Blackpool Tower one day. She has four exams coming up so is practising hard but enjoys every moment.

Janine Wheeler, Parent

Sign Language

Many congratulations to Michael Blunt, Annie Alexander and Ellie Fitter for achieving their Level 1 qualification in British Sign Language which is accredited by Signature. They were taught by their deaf instructor Jamie Chivers. The HI Resource Base is very proud of the hard work they have put in. Well done.

Miss Roberts, Deaf Instructor

Michael Blunt, Annie Alexander and Ellie Fitter receiving their certificates
In October Year 11 students visited a number of sites along the River Meon to collect data for their Controlled Assessment. The aim of the day was to investigate how the river changes from its source to the sea. Students collected a range of data, including the depth, width and velocity of the river, along with the size of the bed load. Once back in school students used their findings to complete an assessment worth 25% of their final grade.
Year 9s become Bodyguards!

On 26th November, eight Year 9s, Mrs Wilson and I went to the Guildhall in Winchester together with forty other schools to see the author Chris Bradman talk about his books. He was there to receive the Hampshire Book Award.

This award is presented to the author that students consider to have written the best teen novel published in 2013/14.

We were all excited because we had heard that he did a very entertaining show, but nothing could have prepared us for what we saw!

The book that won the award is called ‘Bodyguard’ and he explained to us that he actually trained to be a bodyguard in order to write the book. He then proceeded to teach the students by inviting volunteers to protect him. They did not do a wonderful job!

His talk included lots of noise and fun, including an explanation as to why bodyguards always wear sunglasses (not just because it looks cool!). The students now also know how to dissuade a very enthusiastic fan of Justin Beiber from getting too close to him!

Chris Bradman has written a series of books called ‘The Young Samurai’ and at the end of the talk showed us a real Samurai sword.

A very good time was had by all and we came back to school thinking that we had learned a lot about the life of a bodyguard.

Mrs MacMahon, Librarian

Year 11 Interviewed by Rotary Club

Year 11 students experienced the rigours of a formal interview in school last week – and then got feedback about their performance and how to improve it. This is the fourth year we have been pleased to welcome members of the Rotary club into the school to carry out these interviews. They have years of experience in a huge variety of industries and businesses and the school worked hard to match the interests and career ambitions of students to the knowledge and skills of the interviewers. This was not an easy experience for the students – one comment was ‘It’s really difficult when you don’t know them’ but the overwhelming view of students was that it had been useful and helped them to prepare for college and apprenticeship interviews that will be coming up shortly. We were also pleased to have overwhelmingly positive feedback from the Rotary Club about our students – they were impressed with their preparation and with their ability to deal with the stress of the situation.

Our thanks go to the Rotary Club who gave up their day to conduct the interviews and support Henry Beaufort Students.

Mr Hick, Deputy Headteacher
During Enrichment Week in July all the students in Year 8 got the opportunity to go away camping for two nights at Tile Barn which is located in the New Forest, Brockenhurst. Half of the year group (80 students) went on Monday and Tuesday night and the other half Wednesday and Thursday night.

The days were packed with adventurous activities, such as archery, crate stack, mountain biking, climbing, night line, shelter building and a walk. Some students had the opportunity to visit the Deer Park and the Reptile Centre.

The mornings started with a strong coffee for the staff before the epic task of feeding 80 very hungry students - chef Mr Burgess and sous chef Mr Hicks were in charge of making bacon sandwiches for the entire camp! Students then went off to take part in the variety of activities, before returning to make their lunch! After they were fed and watered they were off again for some more exciting activities. The evening was free time for the students; relaxing in the sun, or taking part in the volleyball games, the cricket match or the football games! I am not sure where the children got their energy from! Dinner was served, then there was the task of washing up. Each tent took it in turns to wash the ‘pots’ – not an easy job to do, but with students insisting on using an entire bottle of washing up liquid for each pot - they came up gleaming! It was then hot chocolate and time for lights out and bed.

We were extremely lucky with the weather, blue skies and temperatures in excess of 20 degrees. However, the second half of the trip coincided with the worst thunder and lightening display the UK had seen for a very long time! A number of very scared students coped well in the hideous conditions!

Two students were selected and nominated by the staff as ‘Star Campers’ for the week – they were Catherine Palmer and Daniel Colmer. They were chosen for a number of reasons including, how helpful they were and their brilliant attitude of getting involved in everything. The prize was a week-long activities break at Calshot Activity Centre during the summer holiday for free! Dan said “It was a brilliant week, I got to have a go at skiing, track cycling and sailing. Thank you to the teachers for nominating me”.

It was a great week – the children were fantastic and really embraced life under canvas. A big thank you to all the teachers that went – Mr Burgess, Mr Hicks, Miss Main, Miss Wilson, Miss Walker, Mr McBride and Mrs Wild. We are already looking forward to taking the current Year 7’s next year!

Miss Colebourn, Head of PE
The U16 Basketball team are competing this year in the Southampton basketball league and are making continuing progress throughout the games.

Leading by example are Josh Payne and Nathan Rutherford and with their basketball experience are helping the team develop. So far they have played games against Upper Shirley High School, Kings and Test Valley. Well done boys, keep up the good work.

Miss Colebourn, Head of PE

A massive congratulations to Adam Corcoran, Year 11, who was awarded the Michael Austin Harlick Award for Outstanding Sportsperson of the Year 2014 for Hampshire after a very successful season of squash.

The presentation took place at the 25th annual Schools’ Sports Award event in the Hampshire Schools’ Sports Award Evening on Thursday 6th November. Congratulations Adam, a fantastic achievement!
On Saturday 22nd November 45 students got the opportunity to travel to Twickenham to watch England take on Samoa. And what an experience! The anthem of ‘Swing low, sweet chariot’ being sung by 80,000 rugby fans created an amazing atmosphere. The national anthems and then the ‘Haka’ performed by the Samoa rugby team started the game.

It was a great game with England’s second half performance putting them in charge of the game and they secured a much needed win! What was apparent was the force of some of the tackles and the slow motion replays which looked painful!

The students who got the opportunity to go to Twickenham have represented the school playing rugby and as such thoroughly enjoyed their experience watching and supporting the international sport.

Thank you to Mr King who helped organised the trip and to the accompanying staff – Miss Wood, Miss Wilson and Mrs McArthur.

Miss Colebourn
Head of PE
The Year 9 Rugby team so far have had an exceptional season.

On Thursday 2nd October the Year 9 rugby team competed in the Hampshire County Cup tournament at Southampton Solent University Sports Ground. The tournament involved 19 schools from around Hampshire to challenge for the Hampshire Cup. The 19 schools were divided up into three groups and Henry Beaufort was drawn in the biggest group against six other schools.

We started off with a close encounter with Ballard school which ended up in a draw. We then drew our second game, but managed to win the remaining four games. The whole team performed brilliantly and there were some excellent performances from the captain Louie Power, Dan Thomas, Jack Welch and Tom Oliver who all helped us have the edge over our opponents.

To decide on the winner of the tournament the winners of each of the three groups played each other in the afternoon to establish the overall winner.

In our first match of the final we played St George School. The game started off very slowly but soon picked up. Unfortunately due to a handling error and an outstanding run from a St George student we lost the game by two tries to nil.

Our next opponents were local rivals Kings. In previous meetings we have managed to have the edge over them; however this game was hotly contested and both teams played brilliantly. It was a very tough and tight encounter and a superb try from Charlie Blaxland put us in front. With two minutes to go Kings drew level with a good try and that is how the game finished.

Kings lost their match against St George and therefore came joint runners up with us. It was a really good day and the team represented the school well both on and off the pitch. Well done on finishing as Hampshire County Cup Year 9 runners up!

Miss Colebourn, Head of PE
Valencia Football Training
Gifted & Talented PE

On Friday 17th November seven students from the Henry Beaufort School had the opportunity to attend a coaching session run by Valencia Football Club.

Academy coaches from Valencia Club de Fútbol travelled to the UK with Inspire Sport to host a series of 1-day coaching roadshows at venues across the country and one of these was at Kings’ School. The objective was to develop the skills of both players and coaches alike and showcase the successful techniques of free flowing Spanish football to the next generation of UK players. Throughout the day the players received some excellent coaching in the morning session before playing a tournament in the afternoon.

The players that went were Alicia Hill, Armiee Akpobire Y8, Ava Berglin Y7, Max O’Mara Y8, Archie Mildenhall Y8, Dan Garabette Y8 and Robbie Broadway Y7. These students were chosen as they have been identified as Gifted and Talented in PE and specifically football. The students thoroughly enjoyed the day and were a credit to the school – well done!

Miss Colebourn, Head of PE

Sports Day

There was excitement in the air. The collective heart beats of hundreds could be heard. The cheers and war cries reached the ears as one stood on the Henry Beaufort field on 22nd of July 2014.

The annual sports meet was in full action. Racers were sprinting on the tracks with such speed it was almost possible to hear the zoom as they went past you. The determined faces of the students were visible as they mustered all their might to throw a 4.2 kg ball as far as they could. Sports day was a huge success helped massively by the fine weather holding for the day. There were a number of outstanding achievements throughout the day and huge enthusiasm shown by students and staff.

All students were involved and competed and represented their respective houses, Athens, Berlin, Luxembourg, Moscow, Prague, Rome and Warsaw. The morning events were a mass of participation and every student in Years 7 through 10 were in at least one event. There were also some outstanding team achievements with Prague Year 7 Girls breaking the school 4x100m relay record with an astonishing time of 62.85! Other records were also seen broken in the upper years with Rome Year 10 Girls setting a new 4x100m record time of 53.53!

The afternoon sessions saw the house relays and the Tug of War - this was a fabulous competition with those not competing supporting their houses. Throughout the day we saw several interesting face offs in the Tug of War, especially the semi-final between Berlin and Athens which all went pear shaped for the Berlin side, when one of their team members slipped! Overall the Tug of War competition saw both Athens and Rome into the final in front of the whole school where Rome became victorious as the 2014 champions! The sprints saw some fine individual performances with Molly Wood dominating for Year 8 and Josh Goble in Year 10.

The day was extremely successful with some excellent feedback and crowd participation. Each year Sports Day gets bigger and better and we’re looking forward to new ideas and new events and a bigger day next year!

Congratulations to all of the houses with their performances. The overall results were:

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Well done to all participants and helpers involved.

Ben Phillips, Othman Alfada, Year 11
Eastleigh & Winchester District Netball Tournament

The Year 8 Netball team took part in the Eastleigh and Winchester district tournament on Thursday 20th November 2014 at Wyvern School.

In total they played 8 games – 4 points were awarded for a win, 2 for a draw and 1 if you lost, but the girls scored more than half the opposition’s total number of goals and overall they finished an amazing 4th place out of 9 teams.

A great team performance from all the girls that included; Siena Jobson, Anna Chatwin, Harmony Matthias, Emelie Hallet, Elinor Simpson, Armiee Akpobire, Rachel McCullagh, Ama Niumataiwalu, Abi Clements and Lizzie Worley.

Well done – they still have a few league matches to finish so good luck to them!

Miss Colebourn
Head of PE

The Scores

V Kings Won 3-2
V Toynbee Lost 2-1
V Perins Lost 6-2
(Perins were the eventual, overall winners)
V Romsey Won 3-2
V Westgate Lost 3-1
V Swanmore Lost 7-1
V Mountbatten Won 3-2
V Wyvern Drew 3-3

Netball Year 7

Eastleigh and Winchester Netball Tournament

Nine Year 7 girls represented the school in the annual Eastleigh and Winchester Schools Netball tournament at The Romsey School. They played extremely well, beating teams from Wyvern and Toynbee. The rest of their games were very close and they scored lots of goals. A Special mention goes to Lucy Smith for an outstanding performance as Goal Defence. They all received a Fair Play award.

Miss Bean
PE teacher

Top row: Charlie Tippett, Lucy Smith, Phoebe Andrew-Power,
Bottom row: Alysia Gardiner, Ava Berglin, Catherine Thorne, Katie Allen,
Izzy Harrison, and Benet Matthias
Cross Country

Winchester and Eastleigh Schools U13 Cross Country Championships

This year’s Championships took place on Tuesday 25th November 2014 at Thornden School.

The Year 7 Team did fantastically well, despite the muddy, wet, cold and slippery conditions! All of the students completed the course. With over a 100 competitors for the boys and girls races there were some exceptional results.

Katie Allen (4th), Ava Berglin (18th) and Eleanor Nye (20th) were the girls top performers. Oli Morgan (33rd) and Luke Guerrier (40th) were the top boys. The most muddiest award went to Lotte Copland and despite falling over on 3 occasions during the course still finished with a smile!

The U15 Cross Country Championship took place on Friday 21st November and a special mention to Hannah Reed and Lucas Lyne who both finished in the top 10 and are hoping for district selection!

Well done to all involved.

Miss Colebourn, Head of PE

Netball Year 9

Eastleigh and Winchester Netball Tournament

The Year 9 girls represented the school at the Eastleigh and Winchester Netball Tournament held at the Thornden School. All girls played really well and as a team scored three more goals than they did last year demonstrating a huge improvement. They showed excellent team spirit and commitment. Well done girls!

Miss Bean
PE teacher

Any Other Athwal (front), Beth Flemington, Chloe Amos, Shannon Traynor, Hannah Reed, Robita Khananphao, Katy Davis, Eleanor Stephens, Danielle Stanbrook and Katie Little

Boys Year 7 Team

Girls Year 7 Team
The U13 Girls Football team have started the season well. They have all been coming to after school clubs that are run by Southampton Community coaches in preparation for a busy season.

So far they have played a friendly match against Swanmore, which they won 3-1. This was in preparation for their first game in the Hampshire County Cup Competition.

The County Cup game against Bitterne Park was played on Wednesday 15th October and after an excellent team performance and a convincing 4-0 win they have progressed through to the next round. Solid defending from Megan Goff and Martha Lowres helped to ensure a clean sheet. Katie Allen and Ava Berglin kept the defence and goal keeper busy. The goal scorers were Katie Allen (2), Jess Radford and Armiee Akpobire.

The next round of the cup was against Bohunt and the girls played exceptionally well. After half time they were 6-2 up and really dominated the game. The midfield, especially Alicia Hill and Jess Radford were causing problems for the Bohunt defence. Some great goals scored by Katie Allen and Ava Berglin. Well done girls—good luck in the Semi Final of the County Cup!

On Friday 17th October the U14 Girls Football team played against Fareham Academy in the second round of the Hampshire County Cup. It was a great team performance and the girls played brilliantly and finished 9-0 winners.

Goal scorers included – Georgia Allen (2), Imogen Brewer, Kate Hossick, Jess Radford, Alicia Hill, Megan Goff and Aimee Akpobire (2).

The girls are looking forward to the next round and hopefully progressing through the competition as far as possible!

The quarter final of the competition was played against Sand Down Academy; a school from the Isle Of Wight. The girls played amazingly, they dominated possession and looked in control of the game; but the Sand Down girls scored a goal on the break and were 1-0 up at half time. Anya Athwal made some amazing saves to keep the score at 1-0; and despite a number of chances we were unable to score. The final score ended 1-0 to Sand Down. It was an excellent run in the County Cup and the girls will be looking forward to progress even further next year.
U13 Girls Football

Two teams took part in the U13 Eastleigh and Winchester Girls 6 a side Football Tournament on Thursday 6th November hosted at Toynbee.

The A team was made up of Katie Allen, Ava Berglin, Megan Goff, Alicia Hill, Armiee Akpobire, Lucy Smith, Phoebe Andrew-Power and Jess Radford. They played brilliantly and finished undefeated. They saw off opposition from Kings (2-1), Swanmore (2-1), Toynbee B (5-0), Wildern (1-0) and Thornden (1-0). They took it in turns to play in goal and also shared the goal scoring with all girls contributing! A fantastic effort – well done!

The B team was made up of Paige Cumine, Tegan Cumine, Martha Lowres, Catherine Thorne, Ellie Trendle, Jennie Barnard, Caitlin Roberts and Chelsea Rogers. A team made up of just Year 7 students were playing against some Year 8 teams and did really well! They beat Toynbee C (1-0) and Thornden B (1-0), they drew with Toynbee and Swanmore B teams and narrowly lost 1-0 to Romsey. A really excellent effort. Catherine Thorne, Tegan Cumine and Jennie Barnard all scoring!

There were some excellent team performances and despite the freezing conditions the girls were fab! Well done.

Year 7 Boys Football

The B and C Year 7 boys football team took part in the Eastleigh and Winchester District football tournament hosted at Kings School on Wednesday 12th November.

It was a very cold and wet night – monsoon conditions at times, but the boys were brilliant and played some excellent football. They played against teams from Thornden, Perins, Westgate and Kings. Team captains James Coltart and James White did a fantastic job organising and motivating the team.

In the B team there were some stand out performances from Rikky Lama in defence and James Coltart scoring some excellent goals. In team C Ben Elkins did a fab job in goal despite the weather conditions and Finley Burt scored an excellent goal.

Well done boys – an excellent effort!

Miss Colebourn
Head of PE
Christmas Card Competition 2014

First Prize
Rachel Payne, Year 8

Runner Up
Martha Lowres, Year 7

Runner Up
Fraser Crawford, Year 9

Second Prize
Robin Haysom, Year 9

Runner Up
Ines Mazden Delas, Year 9

Runner Up
Martha Lowres, Year 7