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## Students gain fascinating insights into Roman life



Students get a bird's eye view of Rome from the Basilica



**Lower Sixth student Will Green reports back from an exhilarating recent visit to Italy which saw students based in two cities, Sorrento and Rome:**

The History & Ancient History trip to Italy in February covered a fantastic range of sites! Visiting Pompeii and Herculaneum gave an excellent insight into Roman life, something we were able to explore due to the remarkable preservation of the buildings and ancient structures within the two sites, such as theatres, amphitheatres, and even a brothel! This experience was further enhanced by visiting the Palatine Hill, the Colosseum and the Spanish steps.

Travelling from Sorrento to Rome, we stopped to visit

Monte Cassino, which gave us a taste of the spectacular and difficult terrain which both Allied and German forces had to face when fighting at the Monastery in 1944, somewhere I had always hoped to visit.

Following a trip to the Pantheon, the Trevi Fountain and the Colosseum, our two day

tour of Rome was topped off with a sight-seeing bus tour of the city's many attractions, including the Vittorio Emanuele II Monument and the Colosseum. The six-day expedition was rounded off brilliantly with superb views of Rome from the top of the Basilica in Vatican City.



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## Health & Social Care students learn all about early years care from an expert

Upper Sixth Health and Social Care students were fortunate to experience a training session with Julia Roiz De Sa (Specialist Community Public Health Nurse).

The session focused on the role of a health visitor, looking at the ways that support is offered to parents and the work that takes place to promote the health and well-being of children up to the age of 5 years old.

Julia showed the students how

centile charts are used to monitor the growth of babies and young children and provided each student with an information pack. She also explained how her service works with other Health and Social Care services within the area.

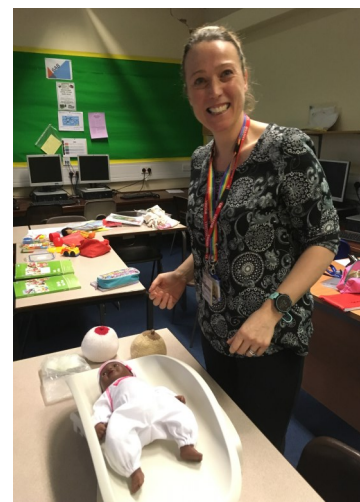
This session was invaluable for students as it provided information they needed for their coursework, and they could ask searching questions. Julia was also able to share

information on different career pathways within the Health and Social Care sector, having originally trained as a nurse within the Navy.

We are very grateful for the time that Julia shared with us and hope that she will visit again next year.

**Mrs Ridley**

**Julia Roiz De Sa leads a valuable session for Health & Social Care students**



## Drama students gain wide range of theatrical experiences



**Students get ready for a performance of *Comedy About A Bank Robbery***

**It has been a very busy term for the Drama department as we have been preparing for final performances with our Upper Sixth and ensuring they are fully prepared for their final written exam in June.**

One of the extra supports we have included is our now annual lecture by Miss Early on Ancient Greek context, which went down very well and provided students with that extra knowledge we hope will serve them well.

To support the curriculum even further in their studies, all of our sixth formers have been lucky enough to work with two professional theatre

practitioners this term. In January we were visited by Splendid Theatre Company who performed their version of *The Oresteia*. All students were then involved in a very informative workshop, with the actors encouraging the students to explore the play further.

We were also able to organise a workshop with George Dillon, a renowned actor who has worked with Steven Berkoff. He delivered an intensive workshop on the famous practitioner's style of theatre.

With regards to extra-curricular opportunities, there have also been trips to see some exciting

theatre. Firstly we visited the West End to see *Everybody's Talking about Jamie* and then in April went to watch Mischief Theatre's *Comedy About A Bank Robbery*: all in all an action packed and inspiring term.

We hope next term will be just as exciting with students involved in performances of *Five Beaches* on various dates and locales around the region. We are also hoping to see some of our sixth formers involved in the Summer Soirée on 10 July.

**Ms Jones**

## Supporting GCSE students with study skills in London

Upper Sixth student Paolo Sait writes about his visit to a London school where he helped advise GCSE students as they prepared to sit their examinations:

'On Friday 22 March I volunteered to go to Featherstone High School in Ealing to help with a Maths and Physics workshop for Year 9 students.

The workshop was targeted at high achieving students who

were aiming to achieve 8s and 9s in their GCSEs; in total roughly 65 students attended. It started with myself and other Upper Sixth students from the school (FHS) speaking in front of the students about our different methods of revising during our GCSEs and A Levels. After this there was a carousel of activities which the students would move between in groups and learn about different topics.

These topics included many which they had not come across before, as they were topics they would learn in the next year. I was able to answer their questions about maths and science, as well as questions they had about GCSEs in general.

Many of the students were very enthusiastic and it was good to be able to push the bright and talented students. It was a good experience and interesting to see dynamics of



another school with a very different social demographic to Bay House.'

## Bay House students reach national Legal Apprentice finals!

Three legally astute students have successfully reached the national finals of the Kingsley Napier competition 'The Legal Apprentice', sponsored by *The Times*, with a chance to win a fully-paid degree apprenticeship in law as the top prize!

Students had to pose as solicitors and, following research and interviews, as well as a video conference call, were able to offer a range of legal advice to a fictional client facing big trouble after a party gone wrong.

**Fizz Gille** said: 'It's been such an amazing experience taking part in The Legal Apprentice. Not only have I gained knowledge, but I've developed

an insight into the role of a solicitor which I hope can one day help me to pursue a career in law. The tasks were all really interesting and have helped me to work on new skills which will be beneficial in my desired career.

**Megan Moreton** added: 'I am grateful for the opportunity to have taken part in The Legal Apprentice competition as it was an amazing experience. It was a great insight into a future in law; although it was challenging at times, it was interesting to learn more about what a career in law will be like through tasks such as preparing a video call for a potential client.'

**Liam Ridgley** agreed: 'The



Legal Apprentice is a great opportunity for people considering a future career in the law to gain a detailed insight into the types of scenarios a lawyer would find themselves in. The experience has definitely reinforced my intention to

pursue a career in law. It provided a unique insight into the career of a lawyer'.

Fingers crossed for the grand final in June which will be judged by lawyers from the Kingsley Napier team!

## Politics students commemorate Vote 100 and gain insight into life at Westminster

Back in November, Politics students entered a poster competition to celebrate Parliament Week's Vote 100 to commemorate 100 years since women first secured the right to vote.

**Evie Cawte** and **Amy Etherton** both won top prize for their artistic and inspiring efforts. As part of the Vote 100 celebrations, **Evie Cawte** (below, right), as one of our local MP's volunteer interns, also got the chance to visit Parliament with **Caroline Dinenage** MP (below, centre), to experience the 50:50

campaign aimed at encouraging more women to enter politics as a career.

**Evie** said: 'On 50:50 Parliament Day, Westminster was heaving with inspirational women from across the UK. Not only did I get a private tour of Westminster, but I also got to watch Prime Minister's Questions and have a sit down with Caroline to discuss current issues facing women in politics today. Overall it was a great day and really inspired me to continue pursuing a career in politics.'



Politics students show their poster entries celebrating Vote 100, and (left) Evie Cawte visits Parliament with Caroline Dinenage MP

As the sporting season draws to a close, our managers and coaches sum up the performances of their teams.

First team football manager **Mr Way** writes:

'CHAMPIOOOOONS....CHAMPIOOOONS OLE OLE OLE!!!! For the second season in a row the first XI team has seen themselves win promotion. The season has been a real roller coaster; with some poor results at the start of the season, it looked as though promotion would be a step too far. With a few tactical adjustments, however, the team (led by captain **Harry Burns**) stepped up to the mark and went on a fantastic run of results beating Farnborough, Barton Peveril, Fareham and Brockenhurst (home and away) along the way. A special mention goes out to the Lower Sixth students who seamlessly fitted into an already strong team this season. The team also had a record breaker amongst them, breaking not only the college and league record but possibly a world record..... **ROB PEGG** for the most foul throws in both a single game and season (well done Rob).

It is only right that the final mention goes to the group of Upper Sixth students that have

been involved with the team for both seasons, gaining promotion twice - well done. You'll have to wait until the Leavers' Assembly to find out who the player of the season is, but you've all put your name in the hat this season!

Second team manager **Mr Andrews** comments:

'The second XI had a varied and overall successful season. The team were able to play a pleasing brand of football going forward and were prolific scorers. At times, however, last minute goals from the opposition flattered the score line in their favour. The team also proved to be a good springboard into the first XI as several players made the jump up. The lads maintained a great work ethic throughout the season and clearly enjoyed being a part of this team.'

Netball coach **Ms Aitchison** writes:

'It has been a difficult season, playing some strong teams, but the netballers have shown determination and resilience. They have come so far from where were they were at the beginning of the season. They have shown huge progress and improved both as individuals and as a team. They have also



been recognised by other colleges as a lovely team to play against.

**Olivia Lis** started the season showing a very high standard of netball and strong encouragement for the team. **Alex Mansfield** has to be the most improved player; she has displayed some outstanding interceptions and great defence work in the circle. **Bonnie Simpson** has also improved from the start of the year with some strong circle work and some superb shooting. **Louise Johnson** has been a strong player in the team, with some brilliant feeding into the circle and always showing determination in her games. **Hollie Thurgood** and **Ava**

**Feculak** have been key players this season, both playing out of their positions at centre and playing with determination whichever position they play. **Kacey Richardson** has come a long way from when she started the season, becoming a strong defender who improves in every game she has played. **Rebecca Dunn** is a strong shooter and has displayed some outstanding netball.

With a small squad, these girls have been an absolute delight to coach; they have all improved and become a superb team.'

Congratulations to all our teams, and the best of luck for next season.

## .....Reviewing the action from the Hampshire Senior Schools and Colleges League.....

### Where are they now? Catching up with former students

We always enjoy catching up with news of our former students. We heard this week from **Nathan Stevenson** who left Bay House Sixth Form last summer.

In 2018 Nathan achieved an impressive AAA in History, Government & Politics and Mathematics. He has just completed basic training at Britannia Royal Naval College

Dartmouth. BRNC is the naval academy of the United Kingdom and the initial officer training establishment of the British Royal Navy.

**Nathan** wrote to thank **Mr Dadd** and the sixth form team for all of their help, 'without which training would have been a lot harder. Of particular note, **Mr Bradford's** lesson (and handouts) on the Spanish

Armada were very helpful in a naval history exam.'

We wish **Nathan** all the best in the future and would be delighted to publish news of any other former students and what they are getting up to.

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