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Oxbridge Record for 3rd year running

College pupils have had another outstanding year with 18 offers to Oxford or Cambridge University colleges, more than all the other independent schools in the county combined for the third successive year. It is equally pleasing that many other Upper Sixth Formers have received offers to excellent universities, giving them even more reason to keep studying hard for those all-important examinations.

Open Mornings

There will be two Open Mornings this term for families considering options for their children. The Pre-Prep and Prep Schools will host a joint Open Morning on Saturday 31 January from 9.30am until Noon. The College Open Morning, for admissions at 11+, 13+ and 16+ will take place on Saturday 7 February from 9.30am until Noon, followed by a complimentary lunch. We strongly advise families to register their interest in advance with the Admissions Office as recent occasions have proved very busy. They can be contacted on 01273-704201/2.



Music Notes

Mr Louis Borenus, who taught drumkit in the College and the Prep School for over 6 years, died suddenly on Monday evening. His warm nature, huge enthusiasm and great musical skill made him a popular and well-respected teacher. He will be greatly missed by all his colleagues and pupils. We extend our sympathies to his family and friends.

Teacher and Pupil both gain performance Diplomas

Congratulations to Daniel Chard, Upper 6th Leconfield, who has been awarded the Associate of Trinity College, London Diploma on Clarinet. This is a remarkable achievement for a school pupil. The standard is beyond grade 8, corresponding with the level required at the end of first year at a Conservatory. Daniel is also celebrating a Choral Scholarship and a place to study music at Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge.

Congratulations are also due to Daniel's Clarinet teacher Neil Carter. Neil is the Head of Wind and Brass at the College and has taught Clarinet and Saxophone here for over 16 years. He has also been awarded the Associate Diploma for performance on Flute.



Masterclass

International performer, **Joanna MacGregor**, gave an inspirational masterclass to 5 of the College's pianists on Monday evening. Rebecca Considine, Daniel Chard, Yi Yun Jiang, Ferdinand Loo and Nicholas Garidis all performed excellently and received guidance from Joanna who is widely regarded as one of the countries most gifted and innovative musicians. She shared some of her methods for overcoming technical difficulties and gave many insights into improving communication and performance. This was a most instructive event both for performers and audience and offered a remarkable opportunity for College musicians to work with one of the UK's leading musical talents.

Books for Schools

The Times and *The Sunday Times* are giving away hundreds of thousands of books to encourage children to read for enjoyment, to broaden their knowledge and to develop their imaginations. Parents wishing to collect tokens from these newspapers are invited to pass them to the College main reception marked "Scholastic tokens" so that they can be used to provide additional volumes for the school libraries.

7 February

Please could parents note that because of Open Morning on Saturday 7 February, all **4TH FORM**, selected **5TH FORM**, all **L6TH** and **U6TH PREFECTS** are expected in school at 8.30am. This is an official school day and all these pupils are expected to attend looking smart, including hair, uniform, shoes, etc. Those involved in sports fixtures will be provided with a baguette lunch and will depart at around 1pm. Your assistance in this is greatly appreciated.

Recycle for Romania!

To help raise money for orphanages in Romania, Durnford boys are collecting old and unwanted mobile phones. Many of us have an old phone tucked away at home, and we are offering you the opportunity to help the environment and raise money for charity! Any phones collected will be sold to a company that either refurbishes and sells the phones on, or recycles them cleanly and efficiently. For every phone collected, Orphanages in Romania will receive £2.50. Phones can be handed in to a Durnford representative at the bottom of the library stairs any morning break next week, and in exchange we will be handing out sweets! Alternatively, there will be a collection box in the PAC. Remember, any phone will do, however old and unfashionable!

Southern Schools Book Awards

A group of 4th form pupils who have been shadowing the Southern Schools Book Awards since the start of last term will be travelling to Roedean School tomorrow for the official ceremony. After a couple of months spent reading and reviewing the 5 books in competition and voting recently for their favourite one, our pupils will get to meet the writers and ask them questions relative to creative writing. They will also receive free books and book vouchers and be able to discuss their opinions with pupils from the 30 other participating schools.

Distinctions

Catherine Anderson, Chichester; Oriel Bathurst, Fenwick; Danielle Bowler, Chichester; Charlie Brotherstone Abraham; Charlotte Dodge, Seldon; Sam Evans, Ryle; Izzy Granger, Fenwick; Tom Greenhalgh, Ryle; Daisy Handley, Chichester; Chloe Jackson, Williams; Phoebe Lower, Williams; Laura Medlock, Chichester; Jessica Price, Chichester; Laila Redin, Chichester; Rebecca Shilling, Chichester; Rebecca Silk, Seldon; Stuart Waugh, Leconfield; Leo Zelenkevich, School.

Weekend Arrangements - Saturday 17th January

Weekend Fixtures – Saturday 17th January

Netball v Lancing

1st VII Cancelled
 2nd VII Away 2.15pm
 3rd VII Away 2.15pm
 Under 16 A VII Away 2.15pm
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 Under 15 A VII Home (HG) 2.15pm
 Under 15 B VII Home (HG) 2.15pm
 Under 14 A VII Home (NG) 2.15pm
 Under 14 B VII Home (NG) 2.15pm

Football v Epsom College

1st XI Away 2pm KO
 2nd XI Away 2pm KO
 3rd XI Home (NG) 2pm KO
 4th XI Cancelled by Epsom

Rugby v Campion

1st XV Away 11am KO
 Under 16 A XV Home (HG) 11am KO
 Under 15 A XV Away 11am KO
 Under 14 A XV Home (HG) 11am KO

Sports Review

Due to the cold weather over the weekend many of the Football, Rugby and Netball fixtures were cancelled. However, two junior netball matches did take place against Roedean.

Netball

v Roedean

The Under 15 As won 28 – 5, good shooting from Georgia Adams, Izi Noakes and Lauren Crook took advantage of neat and fast centre court play by Izi Hutchinson, Sophie Scourfield, Winnie Lawrence and Harriet Vans Agnew. In defense Corrinne Hull, Shan Thomas and Gabbie Harris worked tirelessly and won many turnover balls.



The Under 14 As won, 41 – 13. Accurate passing, excellent interceptions and consistent shooting resulted in a comfortable victory. Georgina Tyas at Goal Shooter and Tabitha Worsley in the centre court played well, but all the team can be pleased with this start of season performance.

Midweek Results

Football

v Newlands

The Under 15 As had their first game of the season on Tuesday against Newlands. The team passed the ball with exceptional poise and accuracy and at no time did they look to play a long game against a physical team. This style of football enabled the team to create a host of chances and the score line did not flatter them in any sense. Won 5 - 1
Scorers - J Braine x 2, J Nichols – Marcy x 2, S Johnson x 1

v The Weald

The 2nd XI failed to hold on to a deserved draw, conceding a late goal at the New Ground. Having worked hard in the first half up the hill they failed to capitalise on several good attacks in the second half. Lost 1 – 0.

Netball

1st VII Falmer League

The 1st VII made a promising start against a team that had beaten them in the first half of the season. They were five points ahead at the break but the opposition came back strongly and won by seven goals. Lucinda Horsley played her first game and produced a fine attacking display. Anna Horner worked tirelessly in defence and her passing out of defence was particularly impressive. 1st VII 26 Genesis 33

Under 15 Sussex Cup

In the Quarter Final of the Sussex Cup the Under 15 As played Brighton and Hove High. This was an extremely tough match and the side started well with a 8 - 3 lead after the first quarter. By half time the game had turned around and the college were losing 10 - 9. It took great team work to pull back from this position and win comfortably 27 – 17.



Rugby

Under 15 Daily Mail Cup

Having trained hard over the Christmas period and done all they could in terms of preparation, the U15A XV took the field on Tuesday against a Judd side who had only ever lost one match. The first half was hard fought and both teams played some physical and well considered rugby. After 20 minutes the score was 10-10, with the College's tries being scored by Hugh Richards and Ned Holden. After half time Judd gained the upper hand through an excellent kicking game and turned the ball over at key times and areas on the pitch. In the end Judd ran out winners by 48 - 17.

Special mention should go to Tom Woodward and Lewis Moyle for their excellent play and bravery in playing up a year. The Under 15s now look forward to a successful Sevens season later in the term.

Academy Cricketers in Abu Dhabi

Four Brighton College pupils, Michael Chapman (U6), Adam Davies (L6), James Chapman (U5) and Hugh Richards (L5) spent the first part of the Christmas holidays on a cricket tour of the United Arab Emirates with a 14 strong Sussex Cricket Academy squad. Sussex were based in Abu Dhabi and played all their games at the 20,000 seater Sheikh Zayed Stadium. Sussex were one of five Academy teams taking part in the ten day inaugural Academy Arch tournament in the Gulf.



Adam Davies scored a century against the UAE and James Chapman contributed 33 and 36 in the Glamorgan and Guernsey games. Hugh Richards and Adam Davies shared the gloves behind the wicket and both gave a good account of themselves. Michael Chapman once again proved his worth as one of the county's top slip and close fielders.

And Finally...

Brighton College Pelican Racing Team



A group of senior school pupils, aided by the DT and Science departments, are taking part in the Greenpower Formula 24+ Racing Challenge. The team are designing, building and racing a single seater electric car around racetracks such as Goodwood. The Pelican Racing team are being sponsored and assisted by Ricardo Ltd, the company that designed the drivetrain on the Bugatti Veyron, the fastest production car in the world! Many



thanks go to Ricardo for much-needed funds and support. The team still need significant sponsorship to make the fastest and most efficient car possible. Any monetary or technical assistance, from parents or companies, would be greatly appreciated. If you can help in any way please get in touch with Emily Foote by email on 96efoote@brightoncollege.net.

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