

The Swaminarayan

Education is that which liberates

Dear Parents, Guardians, Pupils and Friends,

Theme for the week

The theme for next week is “**Money**”. I have written about it on the reverse of the newsletter.

Mrs Gobin

Due to personal reasons Mrs Gobin has ceased her employment with the school with immediate effect. Mrs Gobin wishes to convey her best wishes to all of her students and the parents who have known her over the last 20 years. She also wishes to thank all of her professional colleagues, both teaching and non-teaching staff, with whom she has enjoyed the experience of teaching at the school and wishes them all well in the future. We wish Mrs Gobin well for the future.

S3 Parents’ Consultation Evening today

The Parents’ Consultation Evening for Senior 3 pupils will take place today between 4.30-7.00 pm in the Yogi Hall. All the parents will have an opportunity to meet their child’s subject teachers including the House Tutors, who meet the pupils twice per day and keep a very careful eye on their welfare, progress and achievements.

S2 Parents’ Consultation Evening next week

Following the Options afternoon yesterday, as promised all parents will have a chance to discuss the options with the teachers at the Parents’ Consultation Evening on 3rd March 2016 between 4.30-7.00 pm in the Yogi Hall. All the parents will have an opportunity to meet their child’s subject teachers including the House Tutors, who meet the pupils twice per day and keep a very careful eye on their welfare, progress and achievements. This also a chance to discuss the options with the teachers.

PE News – Mr Worth writes:

Brent U13 Indoor Cricket - The year 7 and 8 boys got their first taste of cricket for the season with an interschool tournament at Kingsbury High School on Wednesday. With the Brent league and Middlesex competitions coming up it was a fine chance to get an early look at the competition. With only 5 overs per innings, TSS were slow to get runs on the board against Preston Manor and as they looked to 'go big' with their shots suffered a few cheap wickets. Things didn't look good for TSS defending a score of 26, especially with Preston Manor only needing 5 runs off the last 3 overs. Consecutive wicket maidens from Shyam Rajani and Rahul Kumar saw the tide turn and were able to get the win stopping the opposition from getting 2 off of the last ball.

The next game against Kingsbury didn't have the same drama sadly and TSS were put to the sword by a very good KHS side losing by 20 runs despite the best efforts of Om Shah with the ball in hand.

The final game was a decider for 2nd and 3rd versus JFS. Samir Pindoria batted well to help set a reasonable target (23) for TSS and with the JFS team already celebrating stepped into bat. However Param Parekh saw a dropped catch and 2 wickets off his first three balls. Confidence was soaring, further catches in the 2nd over by Aditya Kantheti and a joint one by Shyam Vyas and Devraaj Bhargava seemed to be swaying the game in TSS's favour. However, this was sadly not to be despite TSS's best efforts as JFS were able to scramble home with 3 balls remaining.

Calmer heads may have seen a slight change in results on the day but passion and enthusiasm was apparent throughout the TSS team and hopefully this will continue into the half term when Cricket training starts for Year 7's, 8's and 9's in the build up to the summer term.

Theatre Play for Senior 1: Monday 29th February

The Onatti Theatre Company will perform a play in French on that day. They have performed in the school on several occasions and it has always been a great success.

This represents a brilliant opportunity as the play has been written especially for pupils learning French. Moreover, it will be performed by French native speakers.

The play will be performed on Monday 29th February in the Yogi Hall from 2:15 and will last for an hour. All pupils in Year 5, 6 and Senior 1 will attend the performance.

We hope they have a great time. Amusez-vous bien!

ISA DRAMA COMPETITION

S3 GCSE ACTORS + two crew from S4

Thursdays: 4.00 – 5.40 pm

Sunday 28 February: 9.30 am – 3/4pm

Friday 4th March: 2 – 6 pm – i.e. P5 and P6 and thereafter

Performance date: Saturday 5th March. Leave school at 8 am perform at Ascot 11am.

Adjudication: 12.15pm. Return to TSS by 2ish pm.

SCHEDULE FOR S5 GCSE ART AND DRAMA EXAMS

GCSE ART and DRAMA EXAM WORKSHOPS: 21st and 22nd APRIL, 2016: ALL DAY

Unit 2 DRAMA GCSE EXAM: Wed 11th May ALL DAY (Dress Rehearsal/Tech), and

Performance before an examiner, & S3 S4 GCSE actors: Thursday 12th May,

9.30 am – 12.30pm

Intermediate Mathematics Challenge Results - Andrew Stewart-Brown

Head of Mathematics writes:

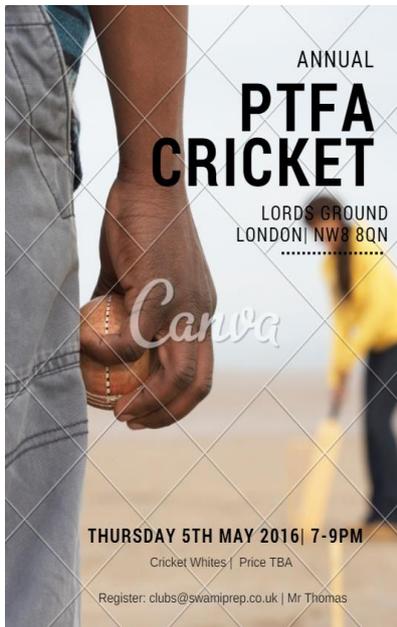
The IMC is taken by Years 9, 10 and 11. This year's results were very creditable, with the top four students in Year 11 being invited to participate in a follow-on round called the 'Pink Kangaroo'. Mathematics Challenge pose a different style of questions to what pupils would encounter in the GCSE examinations.

Year 11: Gold Certificates were won by Ishaan Vadgama, Ravi Mooruth, Dhruvi Patel, Mehul Vekaria and Darshan Kothari. Silver Certificates were won by Jaydev Rana, Ria Popat, Naiya Desai, Raul Patel, Vaheeni Pindoria, Disha Kothari and Hiren Bhojani. Bronze Certificates were won by Akhil Bhargava, Veer Hirani, Ryan Patel, Kaamyia Mehta, Jai Patel, Radhika Kholia, Mili Mehta, Yogesh Patel and Jamie Thakrar.

Year 10: A Gold Certificate was won by Urvi Dudeja. Silver Certificates were won by Hemal Gor and Ananya Nath. Bronze Certificates were won by Tanisha Patel, Misha Manani, Reashan Naheerathan, Payal Halai, Mehul Vyas, Adithya Puravankara.

Year 9: A Silver Certificate was won by Henil Premgi and Bronzes by Ashvin Mooruth and Madhav Piplani.

The IMC is always especially challenging for the Year 9's as they have spent two years less study than the year 11s. 44% of the students achieved an award which is an excellent overall result.



Annual PTFA Cricket Tournament – Mr Thomas writes:
Event: Annual PTFA Cricket Tournament

Date: Thursday 5th May 2016

Location: Lords Ground, London, NW8 8QN

Price: TBC (Pending Interest)

Information: Please bring cricket whites, families welcome, please register interest by emailing clubs@swamiprep.co.uk
Deadline: Friday 11th March 2016.

Music for Youth – Mr Oza writes:

The Music for Youth Regional Festivals provides a friendly environment where you can gain performance experience, learn from and enjoy performances from other music groups, and get valuable feedback and advice from Music Mentors.

The MFY season is designed to inspire musicians at every level of experience and there will be a wide range of musical genres, group sizes, ages and ability of groups performing at your Regional Festival. Following the festivals, there are progression opportunities from the Regional Festival Series, to other events in the MFY season, such as the National Festival and MFY Prom concerts (formerly Schools Prom). Mrs Nafade, Mrs Kakkad and I along with participating children will be attending the audition at the Winston Churchill Theatre, Ruislip from 8am till 2pm on Tuesday 1st March 2016.

Money

Think

We all need money to survive in this world. It is the reason your parents get up every morning and go to work. It is said the love of money is at the root of all evil and in the wrong hands can cause a lot of sorrow. In the right hands money can do a lot of good and bring happiness to many people all over the world.

Feel

Some people are happy to be able to buy the basic needs to live a good life, while others want to be able to buy all the best things in life. Whenever I ask questions about money to students they always place it as one of their highest priorities in life. Some of them openly admit that they want to live in grand houses with swimming pools, drive the fastest cars, travel first class and have the most luxurious holidays in the most exotic places.

Do

These things are clearly important to some students and may be to you as well. I don't want you to feel guilty over it. I daresay that because you wish it, you will be extra focused in your

life in order to make sure you achieve that ambition. Whether you are happy to live a simple life or one in the fast lane, money will be needed. While I do not think you should make money the main object of your desire, I do believe you should do everything in your power to make sure you make as much money as you need to make you happy and make a contribution to society. There are a lot of unfortunate people in the world who are not in that position, which is through no fault of their own. If your money can make a difference to them and at the same time allow you to live a happy life there is nothing wrong in earning as much money as you can.

Yours sincerely,

Nilesh Manani