



Wentworth High School

News letter September 2011

OPEN EVENING THURSDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER 6.30-8.30 ALL WELCOME



I am delighted to report that our Year 11 students achieved Wentworth High School's BEST EVER examination results. This is the end result of much hard work and commitment from both students and their teachers and they fully deserve our congratulations. The Salford Advertiser reported the individual success of Jack Haslam, Sammi Bland, Daniel Barrow and Viktoriya Boneva but there were numerous other students who were well worthy of a mention in the press and we congratulate them all!

Work experience for current Year 11 pupils is in October and I am sure they will have lots to report back to you in the next news letter.

Our Open Evening for all prospective pupils and their parents is on Thursday 29th September 6.30-8.30. Also on that night we invite the parents of our current Year 7 pupils to meet their child's form tutor and see how they are settling in at their new school.

As always, we are very happy to arrange a visit to school during a normal working day so that parents can see for themselves why we received such positive feedback from Ofsted.

Mrs Aaron

Head Teacher

Goodbye Year 11s

On July 8th Haigh Hall, Wigan was the home to the Leavers' Party for the pupils of Wentworth. It was an opportunity for the staff and pupils to say goodbye. Many of the pupils went to town in their planning, as they arrived in style in stretch limousines, classic cars and "karaoke" fun buses. The year group made a huge effort by purchasing amazing Prom dresses for the girls and many of the boys came suited and booted, many buying their first suit ever, and they all looked great. The evening consisted of a pre-dinner drink, a lovely 3 course meal which was then followed by a disco into the early hours, everyone had great fun and it was a lovely way to say goodbye to a year group that achieved fantastic GCSE results.



Mr Gregory

Being a Year 7 Pupil at Wentworth!

Year 7 had a great year at Wentworth which saw them enjoy many different activities and experiences. From the Urban Schools Project offering unique opportunities for the students to enjoy fashion design, street dance and DJ skills to an afternoon spent in Manchester City centre learning about the history of the Olympic Torch and seeing the London 2012 Torch in all its glory. They experienced their first Enterprise Day and thoroughly enjoyed the hands on tasks. In terms of achievement we excelled ourselves with 139 students achieving the



bronze merit award, 59 achieving the silver merit award and 2, students Rabia Begum and Nashmi Abdo, achieved the gold merit award for achieving over 100 merits during year 7-a great achievement well done. We smashed our attendance target and achieved the highest throughout the school at 93.8% with 7W achieving the highest form attendance and so enjoying an afternoon out bowling as reward. Those students who had impeccable attendance and behaviour were rewarded with a trip to Camelot on a gorgeous sunny day at the end of term. We are looking forward to keeping up the momentum in terms of attendance and achievement throughout Year 8.



Miss O'Farrell

Achievement Coordinator

Barrier Free News

For the first time, the Paralympics played host to Sitting Volleyball. This was a first and pupils from Wentworth High School had tickets to see the match between Great Britain and the Netherlands, on a trip organised by the Barrier Free Department. After the game the crowd had the opportunity to take part in a Questions and Answers session with the teams. This was really good as pupils from different schools got to speak to the players about the game and their disabilities and training. There were plenty of activities to take part in after the Volleyball, including Fencing, Boccia and Wheelchair Racing. The pupils really took advantage of the facilities, enjoying all the games and activities. After dinner, we gathered to take our seats for the Wheelchair Basketball game. There were crashes and goals and fouls and all kinds of excitement in the game and it was really good to hear the crowds getting behind the team. This was a very successful outing and OUR thanks GO to the organisers. Also, thank you to all the pupils who were very well behaved and represented Wentworth High School in a very positive way.
Barrier Free Department



PGL Trip

32 pupils from across all the year groups and 5 staff set off on August 4th for the south of France. Awaiting them were 3 days on the Ardeche River in canoes, jumping off rocks, swimming into caves, onto a day at a water park and then to the Mediterranean for sailing, snorkelling and banana boat rides! Generally getting very, very wet! From the moment we arrived at Segries our rep, Mike, ensured that “liquid enthusiasm” was something that we were used to very quickly, soaking all at the opening activity. We had a great day at the water park with much shrieking and screaming coming from many of the rides that Jack Stott went on! From the water park we travelled on to our second venue of Mimosa for lots more activities on the beach in some glorious sunshine. In amongst the activities some table tennis was played, prehistoric creatures were impersonated and moves were shown on the dance floor – oh and the food wasn’t too bad either. All 32 of our young people proved themselves very worthy of representing our school abroad with their enthusiasm, good humour and all round pleasant approach to everything. Many thanks to each and every one of them for making life so easy.



Mr Brophy and the staff team

Duke of Edinburgh Scheme

It was a long time in the planning but this year Wentworth was finally able to offer the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award to our Year 10. After a year of hard work, weeks of camp craft and map reading, we set out on our 1st Expedition. It was hard work but, as ever, the pupils of Wentworth were up to the challenge. It was fantastic to see how the young people supported each other and lifted their spirits by singing when the going got tough. I can tell you it’s hard work getting to the top of Winter Hill with a full backpack but they all managed it and went on to complete the expedition section. I was so proud of all those involved both the pupils, who worked so hard and the staff who gave



up their time all year to make it possible.

In the pupils’ own words, “We enjoyed the expeditions very much and it’s taught us perseverance and co-operation. We had plenty of laughs especially when I (Claire) fell in the mud.”

Claire and Annie.

We look forward to another busy and exciting term, further details of which can be found on the school website.

Are you worried about a child? Even if you don’t know for certain that a child is being treated badly it’s never wrong to seek advice. The NSPCC Helpline is a 24 hour service for anyone who has concerns about a child or just wants some advice about their own situation, it’s free to call and you don’t have to say who you are. Call 0808 800 5000, text, 88858 or email help@nspcc.org.uk or visit nspcc.org.uk/helpline



