

Dear parents and carers,

Please see below this week's Chesterton blog. We hope you enjoy reading the updates from departments and teams across the school.



Thank you so much to all our staff and students for their ongoing hard work.

The team at Chesterton are always keen to hear from parents who'd like to get involved with school life: please don't hesitate to get in touch if this is true for you.

All the best for a restful long weekend.

Rolf Purvis Executive Headteacher

Live Lounge

The next Live Lounge will take place on 23rd **May after school in M1.** This is a really informal concert where students from all year groups are welcome to sign up to perform a song or piece of their choice. For more information sign up on the sheet on the music office door.

The annual music department trip to the BBC Proms has been launched this week. For more information please see ParentMail.



Super Storybook Circus!

Huge congratulations to the cast and creatives of '**Storybook Circus**' who performed this original musical theatre showcase twice last Friday to over 350 audience members over the course of the

evening, receiving rapturous applause both times! One of our Year 11 GCSE performers said (It) was absolutely wonderful to watch: utterly charming and thrilling with what looked to be many future star performers in the cast. The other Year 11s and I said that it took us back to when we were year 7s, so funny to think that these guys are the new generation of Chesterton Youth Theatre



performers!". A parent wrote to say: "The last two company numbers in particular were fantastic so much energy and happiness, the dancing and ensemble were superb - it's always so uplifting to watch CYT productions. All the children did so well, there's so much talent and strong voices in the cast. More importantly...these kids' faces were beaming, they looked so happy, comfortable in their own skin and individuality." This feedback is so lovely to hear! Mr Cooper, Mr Males and Mrs Thurlow were rightly proud of the large ensemble from Years 7 – 9, and Ms Marston led a presentation to the Company to thank them for their amazing efforts and say well done! A special mention goes to Esmé and Lola (yr 8), plus Celeste (yr 9) for being awarded medals as 'Best Company Member', 'Best Newcomer' and 'Best Ensemble Performer' this time round. We look forward to the next show, and meanwhile, Musical Theatre Club has already begun a new 'challenge' for members to create their own musicals. 'On with the dance' as they say! You're all a credit to the College.

Students Film Explosive Experiments

Some year 7 Science students narrating and filming their own videos of a series of experiments to highlight the key features of different types of chemical reactions.



U14 Football team into County Cup Semifinals!

Our U/14 girls football team continued their recent success with a victory in the Quarter Final of the County Cup vs. St Peters School, Huntingdon. The girls played some excellent football throughout the match and work well as a team - Ella scored just before half time to settle the nerves going into the second half. We then added 3 goals in the second half winning the match 4-0! Player of the match: Yvet. We now play Swavesey in the semifinals!



The Roy Burrell Awards 2024

On behalf of the PE department we would like t congratulate the year 11 students awarded a prestigious 'Roy Burrell' award by the Cambridge and District Secondary Schools Sports Association for their contribution to Football & Swimming.

The winners are year eleven students in the Cambridge District who have been nominated by their Physical Education teachers in recognition of sporting excellence and achievement.



Roy Burrell was a former sports master and Deputy Head teacher at Chesterton School, who died in 1955 at the age of 49. He was one of the best-known sporting men in Cambridge, and as part of his will he left a sum of money in trust to provide awards for the most talented young sportsmen and women in the Cambridge District. From very small beginnings these awards have grown and now annually pay tribute to our finest young performers.

It was great to celebrate sporting success for our year 11 students last week at the Roy Burrell Awards! It's always a truly inspiring evening for all.



Artwork of the Week!

> Charlie Cope-Brown Year 10