



## The Friday Letter

Dear Parents/Carers,

### Showtime!

Last night, approximately 40 students from all years performed a variety of dance, drama and music pieces to a packed out audience in the hall. This was the first large scale production in many years at CW. The show was presented by Thomas Lafferty and Bethany Mallett who did a spectacular job of entertaining and informing the audience whilst the next act was preparing to come on. The level of performance was exceptional. It was wonderful to see our pupils performing with so much energy, style, expression and confidence.

Prior to the evening performance, a matinee show was put on at 1.00pm for some of our local senior citizens and 60 year 5 students from Maryvale and St Margaret Mary.

Everyone who came to see it could not praise it enough in so many different ways. I would like to thank all of the people who came to see it last night.

Many staff have been involved in putting this performance extravaganza together but in particular I would like to thank the following staff who have worked so hard with our students over the past 3 months in preparing them for this event: Mr Griffiths, Mr Kearns, Miss Nuttall, Mrs Morgan, Mr Beckett and Mr Gardner.

Finally, I would like to congratulate the students for sharing their talents with us all. As I am writing this, they are doing a rehearsal to show some of the highlights from the production to all year groups throughout the day. I am sure that the rest of the school will truly appreciate and support them in the final performances. BRAVO!



"This show means a lot to me. It has given me courage, not only to play the drums in a group but now in a large scale production. I hope to do another show next year.  
Emmanuel Galloway – yr 10

"Performing in the school show has been awesome! Getting to spend time playing and singing has helped to take my mind off the stress of exams. Rehearsing and performing with my friends has been so much fun"  
Roksana Tabin – yr 11

"Being in this show has really boosted my confidence. Now I'm not afraid to perform in front of loads of people"  
Dorcas Sarpong – yr9

"This show has helped me to become more focused (and all the people that know me know that I'm not very focused at times). It has also helped me get fit".  
Tanaka Kutonga – yr 8

"The show helped me to build my confidence and showed me how much fun it is to perform in front of other people. It's great fun and I enjoy it a lot".  
Panashe Goremusandu – yr9

"This show has made me confident. The show also helped me prove to myself that I can what do I want to do when I put my mind to it".  
Charlotte Harper – yr 7

### D&T Pupils Work



Mrs Smith kindly arranged to exhibit numerous pieces of D&T GCSE work at the Showtime event. The Art, Graphics and Textiles work on display was admired by so many people.

Also, Mrs Saveker has quite rightly shared some fantastic textiles work by Dominique Artwell in year 11. Dominique wrote that “I used an image of Amy Winehouse as my inspiration. I then created paper flowers using folding and cutting techniques. This piece is part of my exam preparation work for my GCSE Textiles.”

Please read the wonderful email that I received this week from Mr Aldred (Headteacher) from Christ the King Catholic Primary School.

Dear Christina,

Please pass on our thanks to Norris, Thomas, Petra and Chloe for coming along to our assembly this morning. The children led it beautifully and it made a refreshing change for the children to be able to listen to CW rather than to me.

Please pass on my thanks to them, they were excellent ambassadors for CW and outstanding role models.

Regards

Mr Michael Aldred  
Headteacher

### Accelerated Reader

We have completed our first half term of Accelerated Reader and DEAR time. When pupils finish a book they get the opportunity to vote for it. This half term the most popular books have been:

*Noughts and Crosses* by Malorie Blackman

*Catching Fire* by Suzanne Collins

*The Recruit* by Robert Muchamore

This week pupils who have achieved exceptionally highly on Accelerated Reader are Naomi Boyle and Connie Luong who have both earned two certificates this week. Lina Koubli has also done well in achieving Independent Reader status.

Have a wonderful half term,

Yours sincerely

Christina Stewardson

### Dates for your diary

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> to Friday 21<sup>st</sup> Feb – Half term**

**Week beginning 24<sup>th</sup> February – Year 8 Exam Week**

