



THE BALFOUR SCOREBOARD

THE NEW SIR GRAHAM BALFOUR PE NEWSLETTER – EDITION 2

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

* HENRY M – Year 8



Henry in Year 8, was given an opportunity before half term to go with his Junior Premier League team, to compete in an International Football Competition called the Roermond Cup held in the Netherlands. He played a series of games, including teams from Belgium and the Netherlands. On Day 1, they came top of their group, and then, as a result, played the top team from the other group, and won 2-0, declaring themselves now as the 'U13 Champions of Europe'!

It sounds like an incredible weekend of football and a fantastic opportunity for Henry.



Please keep us updated of all achievements! We want to know!

SPORTING ROUND-UP

Following the last Balfour Scoreboard where we recognised how talented our students are, we have had more sporting events taking place.

In Cricket, both the U13 and U15 Girls teams competed at the County Competition. Whilst they did not progress into the National competitions, they showed resilience playing tough opposition, representing the school fantastically. We are very proud.

Our Year 10 GCSE PE students played in a Handball match against Walsall Academy. These students are practising their skills for their GCSE grade, and looking to develop their ability. At half time, the girls were losing by quite a few goals, but they showed through the last two quarters lots of progression, and managed to bring the scoreline much closer, unfortunately, losing 6-7.

We will be arranging more opportunities like this next year.

Last month, our athletes attended Rowley Park for the District Competition. Six of our students progressed to the County Competition on Saturday 13th June at Northwood Stadium. Mrs Chapman and Mrs Haines attended to support our students. Our students participated with fantastic character and high levels of determination to succeed. We are exceptionally proud of Lila P, who won the 1500m race and will now go onto compete in a National Competition.





RECENT SPORTING SUCCESS

WE SAY GOODBYE TO OUR YEAR 11 AND YEAR 13 CLASSES

Both Mr Smith and Miss Chapman say goodbye to their GCSE PE classes who have been studying the subject since the beginning of Year 10. GCSE PE requires students to be taking part in sports, as students get assessed in three sports. It also requires students to have good knowledge about their sport as they complete coursework where they self-analyse their strengths and weaknesses, and produce a training plan to overcome one of these weaknesses. The Year 11 students have worked hard to complete these sections, and have more recently, being fully focussed on ensuring that they do their best in their exams.

We also say goodbye to our A-level class, who have completed two years of studying Physical Education. Some of these students also studied GCSE PE at Sir Graham Balfour, so we are saying goodbye after four years of studying theory PE with us. Recently, before their exams they have been working hard in lessons focussing on revision in order to do their very best in their exams. Whether your next steps include apprenticeships, going to University, or starting a job, we wish you good luck.

We wish you the very best and we hope to see you on results day.

UPCOMING IN JULY

Whilst we approach the end of the school year, we still have lots to look forward to in July. We have our annual Sports Day on Friday 3rd July, and we have a very small group of students being selected to go to Wimbledon on Wednesday 1st July. We are also aware of students attending trials for County teams in a range of sports, so please do let us know how you get on.

RECENT SPORTING SUCCESS

STUDENT SUCCESSES CONTINUE

In the last Balfour Scoreboard, we recognised some of our excellent students who had recently accomplished wins both in and outside of school. We also requested that you keep us updated with any achievements that we were not aware of. Since then, we have been informed of more incredible achievements by some of our students.

For example, we were informed that some of alumni students: Noah H, Ptolly B and Cameron C who all left last year were selected to represent the County at Under 17s in Rugby. We really hope that you continue to play and develop at Rugby.

In addition to this, we were also informed that Joey in Year 7, has signed a contract with Shrewsbury Town to represent their academy. Joey has been attending their sessions since the age of 8 years old, and has shown commitment and hard work in these sessions, and has been rewarded with a contract. We look forward to hearing how you get on over the next year. Well done Joey.

