

News from Burford School

Osmington Bay

The Year 7 residential trip was blessed with beautiful weather which meant that the students were able to enjoy activities such as Quad Biking, Abseiling, Aeroball, Orienteering and Zip Wires. This year all the students were also able to experience the Olympic Water-Sport facilities. Each group navigated a dragon boat around the harbour, with staff ending up wetter than the students, but great fun was had by all.



short listed authors Gill Arbuthnott and Marie-Louise Jensen. The students were asked to read and then vote for their favourite book.

Building Work

Building work for the new Drama Studio and eight classrooms is making good progress, with almost 90% of the brick and block work complete. Steelwork framing for the roof is progressing well and the roof trusses are being put in place. We are hoping to occupy the building during the Summer Term.

Health and Social Care

On Monday 27th September, the Year 11 pupils studying Health and Social Care GCSE were lucky enough to have a visit from Michi Naomoto, who is a practitioner of Acupuncture and Herbal Chinese Medicine. The girls were invited to look at different types of Chinese herbs and the needles used for acupuncture. It was a fascinating and educational talk from which the girls gained a sensational amount of knowledge.

Oxfordshire Book Awards

On Thursday 7th October, more than 300 children from primary and secondary schools across Oxfordshire, including students from Burford School, gathered at the Amey Theatre, Abingdon School to celebrate reading with a host of famous children's writers and Oxfordshire Book Award Winners; Michael Morpurgo (*Running Wild*), Nick Sharratt (*What's in the Kitchen*), Rachel Ward (*Numbers*) and

All That Jazz

On Friday 24th September, *All That Jazz*, the youth band from Burford School, performed at Shipton-under-Wychwood Cricket Club end of season do; including arrangements of *I Got That Feelin*, and *Soul Bossa Nova*. There are 20 members of the band, ranging from Years 7 to 13.

6th Form Open Evening

This will be held on **Wednesday 12th January 2011 at 7.00pm**. This is your opportunity to find out what is available after year 11. Potential students and families are welcome to come and visit to meet staff and students.

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Editor's note: We would like to thank Mary Alcock for keeping us up to date with the news over several years. Mary has now decided to 'retire' as press officer and we are pleased to welcome Jane Edwards to 'the team'.