

News from Burford School

New School Year

At the beginning of the new academic year, 169 Year 7 students attended a three day residential trip to Grosvenor Hall, Kent. (See photograph.) Each student took part in team building

activities, games and challenges. Since returning, the Year 7s have shown a real team spirit and 'can-do' attitude, which has impressed all of the staff at the school.



at Bicester Barracks to learn team building and problem solving skills.

Young Enterprise

A new board of directors have been elected for the new Young Enterprise company, *Vision*,

which is made up from new 6th Form students. They are currently in the process of discussing suggestions for products and services that they can develop to sell in the coming year.

Two of our new Year 7 pupils worthy of a special mention are **Sophie** and **Lucy Riley** who recently won the Young Citizenship Award for Carterton. Over the last five years, whilst they were at primary school, the girls raised over £5,000 for charity - an absolutely fantastic achievement.

Raising Aspirations for Year 10

Year 10 students are to be given some exciting opportunities in the forthcoming year. There will be a Study Skills with a *Learning Platform* workshop which is designed to equip all students with strategies to enhance their academic life, empowering them to perform well in exams and the classroom. There will also be a *Raising Aspirations* day at Oxford Brookes University. This is especially for students who are unsure if they want to go to university in the future.

This will be followed by a Personal Development Day with a trip to the Army

Forthcoming Events

We will be holding an *All That Jazz* concert on **Saturday 10th December** and our *Miscellany* Performances will take place on **Tuesday 13th** and **Wednesday 14th December**. For further details please telephone: 01993 823303 or check our website www.burford.oxon.sch.uk.

6th Form Information Evening

This will take place on **Wednesday 11th January** at **7pm** in the main hall. There will be a presentation, followed by an opportunity for students and their parents to talk to teaching staff about the subjects and courses offered. For more information please telephone: 01993 823303 or email sixthform.4040@burford.oxon.sch.uk May I take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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