

News from Burford School

At the beginning of October, the Oxfordshire Fire Service and OCC Road Safety Team visited the school to talk to students in Year 10. Their talk was both moving and hard hitting and entitled '*Choices and Consequences*'.



Students were visibly moved by the videos and descriptions of road traffic collisions (RTC). The Fireman said "they are no longer called road traffic accidents - as someone is always to blame." Students were told that they must make a *choice* before being a passenger in a car or on a motorbike. They were shown the horrific *consequences* of drivers not wearing seat belts, texting whilst driving, drink driving or speeding. Some of the photographs of crashed cars were unbelievable. 40 people were killed in RTCs last year in Oxfordshire - and the Fire Service men and women do not want to see any of the students as a statistic in years to come.

Home School Link Worker

Mrs Shirley Sanderson has taken on the new role of Home School Link Worker. The main purpose of this post is to offer support to parents/carers/students and families as a whole. As the name suggests, this can take place in school or if appropriate, in the home environment. Students are able to have individual or group appointments to discuss any concerns that they may have. Parents are also very welcome to contact Mrs

Sanderson when they feel that a situation at home may be having an effect on their child/children. As the year progresses, there will be themed activities and it is hoped that suggestions will

come from the youngsters as to what they might wish to do.

Busy New and Year 7 Students

Freya Moody took part in a swimming competition in Gloucester and achieved gold in the 200 metres individual medley, silver in the 50 metres fly and 4th in the 400 metres individual medley.

Freddie Norridge has gained a place in the West Oxfordshire under 13s District Cricket Team.

Oliver Mowbray starred as Young Pip in a production of Charles Dickens 'Great Expectations' at the Appletree Theatre.

Chloe Roger and **Lily Deegan** had a chance to play with professional Violinist Laurel Swift at the Bampton Bush Centre.

Jonah Anthony, Greg Woods and Callum Dingle have been playing for Chipping Norton Rugby Club and drew in the final of Grove Mini Festival against Grove.

Eleanor Hyatt has become a Guide Patrol Leader in 1st Carterton Guides and **Charlie Rogers and Jonah Anthony** climbed and descended Snowdon in North Wales.

Mary Alcock
ma0806@burford.oxon.sch.uk
www.burford.oxon.sch.uk