

Inside this issue:

Android apps
programming
opportunity 2

Childcare
students pre-
school visit 2

D&T Gallery 3

Dates for your
Diary 4

Lunch Cards 4



Letter from the Headteacher

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been good to see so many of you over the last term at Academic Reviews, Parents' Meetings, and at events such as the Post 16 Opportunities Evening and GCSE Support Evening. Thank you for your feedback; this has been really valuable in helping us plan future events.

Examinations in January

Those of our Post 16 students who have examinations in January will know that they must give time and effort to revision during the Christmas holiday. These are very important examinations and I know that you will make every effort to help them achieve a proper balance of rest, recreation and work over the holiday period.

Farewell

We say farewell to 3 members of staff at the end of this term. Our thanks go to Mrs Stacey Tudor and Miss Sofia Cosimetti for the contribution they have made in

teaching students and supporting colleagues at Mangotsfield School. I would also like to thank our Cleaning Supervisor, Jenny Clarke, and wish her a long and happy retirement. We wish them all well for the future.



I hope you all enjoy a happy and relaxing time over the Christmas break.

Richard Badley
Headteacher





Are you interested in programming apps for Android phones?

University of the West of England (UWE) students will be coming into school to run a club open to anyone interested in developing phone apps.

It will improve your skills whether you want to be a graphic designer or a programmer.

Prizes

The after-school club will lead to a competition at UWE in June where prizes will be awarded for some of the apps created.

If you are interested please see Miss Derwas or Mr Aylott.



GUIDE DOGS FOR
THE BLIND
CHRISTMAS STAMPS
PLEASE CUT OUT
YOUR CHRISTMAS
POSTAGE STAMPS
WITH A 1CM BOR-
DER AND SEND TO
MRS WELLS IN THE
L.R.C.
THANK YOU

Childcare Students visit local Pre-School

Earlier this term, our students studying BTEC Childcare were invited by Made Forever Pre-School to spend the morning



with them to gain 'hands on' experience to see the daily routine of a pre-school. The children there are aged between 2-5 years and all the students helped with the different activities provided such as painting, water play,

Gemma - 'I didn't want to leave'

Tamika - 'It was good to go and see how a playgroup works and be able to play with the children'

puzzles, and using the computer for educational games.

'Pretend' food

Zac was so popular with the little ones eating lots of 'pretend' food that they cooked for him in the home corner! The students were also given time to question the pre-school

leader, Dawn Nemes, about the importance of good communication between parents and the pre-school when caring for the children. This linked in with their current assignment and the students found this really useful.

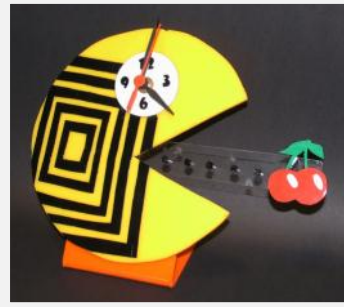


Fantastic opportunity

All the students benefited from this fantastic opportunity to build links with a local pre-school group and have been asked back for another visit in the summer term. Chloe will



also return in February to do a week of work experience there.



A selection of recent work from Textiles, Resistant Materials, Electronics and Food Technology Lessons





**MANGOTSFIELD
SCHOOL
AN ENGINEERING AND
SCIENCE COLLEGE**

Please give any feedback or articles for later editions to Mr Planter or Mr Gunning

Phone: 01454 862700

Fax: 01454 862700

E-mail: gunnings@mangotsfieldschool.org.uk

We're on the Web

www.mangotsfieldschool.org.uk

Dates for your Diary



Tuesday 3 January

Thursday 5 January

Thursday 12 January

Monday 16 January

Wednesday 18 January

Wednesday 25 January

Term 3 begins, Week A

Yr 11 Mock Exams Conference

Yr 11 Subject Evening 4.30-7.00 pm

H&SC Work Experience Week

PTA Meeting 7.00 pm

Yr 9 Curriculum Options Eve, 7 pm

Maths Stars

Year 7 classes made Christmas stars using plenty of maths this week. First, paper was folded and cut to make a square, then folded in half, then quarters, then cut with parallel lines.



Rotational Symmetry

They then followed a sequence of taping and turning the paper to make one segment. They then made six identical pieces and stapled them together to make a star with rotational symmetry of order six.



AVAILABLE FROM 3 JANUARY 2012

LUNCHEON CARDS

ARE

AVAILABLE FROM

3 JANUARY 2012

10 MEALS

£22.50

AVAILABLE AT THE
CASH TILLS

**BUY
YOURS
SOON**