

Public Exams Begin

What a busy week in the Academy! Can I start by acknowledging the dedication and hard work our Year 11, 12, and 13 pupils have demonstrated in preparing themselves for their GCSE's and A Level's. It was great to see 42 Year 11 pupils revising Science in the Academy last Sunday. Hard work typically pays off, so keep it up. Please look out for the half-term revision classes running in the Academy.

Key Stage 3 Exam Results

In Key Stage 3 I am beginning to hear really positive news regarding many pupils' results from their recent examinations. These will be reported after the half-term. It was great for me to send out 175 individual letters to parents and pupils in recognition of their outstanding commitment to their studies across the subjects they study.

In Assembly we celebrated some of our top performers. Well done to Kieran, Travis, Jessica and Sophie.



Area Sports Success

Thursday saw the annual Area Sports event where all schools in Salisbury and the surrounding area are invited to compete in an athletics competition at South Wilts athletics track. The event saw the Year 7, 8 and 9 compete with over 30 representatives from Sarum taking part. All children did extremely well with some outstanding performances. Particular mention must go to Logan Doggett for his bronze medal in the hurdles (as well as making three other finals) and Bradley Cave for his outstanding effort throughout all of his events.

In the afternoon it was the Year 10 and 11's turn and again we had some strong performances from our relay team and our contingent of girls who ran and threw well. The afternoon however was completed with an impressive gold medal performance from Jack Bennett who won the 1500m. He won the event by over 100m and now qualifies for the Wiltshire Team event.

Overall a fabulous day and all children should feel proud of their efforts. We can now look forward to the Super 8 competitions that happen at the end of May.

Key Stage 3

Jamie Cooper – 3rd in 150m heat.

Jess Shergold – 3rd in 150m heat.

Harry Barnett – 3rd in 100m heat.

Jasmine Autonovic-Fry – 8th in 800m final and 4th in Shotput final.

Yasmin Washer – 12th out of 18 in Long Jump final

Bradley Cave – 1st in 100m heat, 4th in final (0.03s difference from the winner)

Jordan Piggot – 8th in Shotput final

Albert James – 4th in Javelin final

Nathan Luft – 4th in High Jump final

Kristian Palmer – 4th in Javelin final

Logan Doggett – 2nd in 100m heat, 4th in final.
2nd in Hurdles heat, BRONZE in final.

Year 7 boys Relay – 3rd in heat.

Year 8/9 boys Relay – 2nd in heat, 4th in final.

Key Stage 4

Shannon Jacques – 4th in High Jump final

Jack Bennett – 1st in 1500m with a time of 4m35s. Quote from a group of staff timing on the track after his first lap "wow this lad has some serious pace!" Jack crossed the finish line to huge cheers as the rest of the race were coming round the final bend! Jack actually said he didn't push himself as he felt he was running alone!

Year 10/11 boys did the relay for "a bit of fun" and came 4th!!

Overall a fantastic day.

Laura de Courcy – Mr Pearce

PE Team

SafeDATE at Sarum Academy



Pupils at Sarum Academy recently took part in an interactive workshop designed to help them spot the early warning signs of domestic violence. Statistics show that young people aged 16-24 are the age group at the highest risk of being in a violent relationship, so this is an important and very relevant topic. The programme, called SafeDATE, was led by Wareham based charity Safe Partnership Limited. Pupils watched and interacted with a presentation including real life stories, music and films. At the end pupils were also given

posters, leaflets and information signposting them for further help if they needed it.

Emma Payne from Safe Partnership commented - *"At least 750,000 children a year witness domestic violence. With the SafeDATE programme we aim to raise awareness of controlling and abusive behaviour and prevent that statistic spiralling ever upwards. Our sessions explain what to look for in a positive relationship and where to go for help if abuse takes over"*.

Mrs Bell - Curriculum Team Leader for PSHCE (Personal, Social, Health, and Citizenship Education) commented *"Emma's session provided pupils with essential life skills about a subject usually viewed as more of an adult topic. She presented it in a way that was sensitive and engaging for the pupils"*.

Kiya Holt, aged 12, said *"the workshop was a bit upsetting to find out about how abusive relationships can be and that men sometimes get abused by women, but it was really helpful to find out what to look out for and where to turn for help"*.



Pupils showing the SafeDATE wristband that came in their goody bag (Left Kiya Holt, Middle Ejay Smith-Matthews, and Right Nathan Luft).