



Student Surgeries: A Chance for you to give your opinions and feedback!

The Year 9 and 10 focus groups have been set up this term to give students a direct way of giving feedback about what is happening in the college to the Headteacher and SLT. The groups are made up of students in Year 9 and 10 who volunteered following assemblies given by Mrs Grabowski and Mr Mahon. One of their first tasks was to set up and run a student surgery where students can drop in during lunchtime to give their opinions and make suggestions about what is happening in the college. The first surgeries took place last week with

students from Years 7-10 surgeries stopping by to give suggestions about how to improve college lunches and asking for advice about how to prepare for the upcoming summer exams. Surgeries will take place on the second Thursday of each month in G18, KS3 p.4a and KS4/5 p. 4b and the next one will be held on Thursday 11th July so come along and have your say! For more information speak to a member of the focus groups.

Year 9 Focus Group Members: Rachel Atampugre, Karlon Bonsu, Deborah Maforikan, Michael Rokosu, Yasmine Sylla-Kobin and Danielle Ubuane

Year 10 Focus Group Members: Zoe Allison, Harry Duffield, John Komeh, Danny Lush, Daisy Masters and Teddy Smyth



Year 12 drama Showcase

On Tuesday 21st May, staff and students were privileged to watch the Year 12 As level drama students perform their exam pieces to the examiner.

The three students, Natalie Lloyd, Lawrence Boahen and Jonathon Gutierrez began by performing their monologues. Jonathon performed Freddie from 'A Brief history of Helen of Troy or Everything will be different', Natalie the character of Daisy from 'Daisy Pulls it Off' and Lawrence played Jamal from 'Little Sweet thing'. All three monologues were very different in both tone and style and the students performed in front of an audience, camera and examiner with confidence and style.

The second piece was a play by Pinter, in which the actors had to play multiple parts. Before the performance, the students had had to study the play closely and create their own interpretation.



'Mountain Language' is set in an unspecified time in an unspecified location in an unspecified country. Pinter suggests that it could represent any country where a group of people are suppressed for their political, social and religious beliefs. During the initial stages of rehearsal, having brought to the fore several contemporary examples of countries in conflict, it was decided that their version would take place in Eastern Europe, inside a derelict and previously deserted warehouse where the country's citizens/revolutionaries were being suppressed by a ruling dictatorship government. The students really brought the sense of oppression and injustice to life through their performance and their planning.

We would like to thank the students, Mrs Murtagh and Miss Ward for giving us the opportunity to see this play.

Attendance Rewards and Prizes

If students are to achieve their potential, good attendance is essential. Irregular attendance can have a significant impact on student achievement especially in the lead up to end of year exams. This month, St Michael's is running an attendance competition for the tutor group in each year group who have the best attendance. The figures show the individual tutor group attendance figures from September 2012 to Friday 14th June, we will be recalculating the figures at the end of the month and a prize will be given to the tutor group in each year group who have the best attendance. At the end of the summer term attendance prizes will also be given out to individuals and tutor groups with outstanding records of attendance for this academic year.

Miss Corcoran

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11C	96.5%
11R	98.4%

Lost Property

We have a lot of lost property in college including coats and P E Kit. Please encourage your children to come and retrieve their items from the office before the end of term.

Year 10 Maths and World of Work Faculty Celebration Evening — Thursday 23rd May

On Thursday 23rd May it was the turn of Year 10 to have their achievements celebrated. As well as the subject prizes and attendance awards, parents, students and staff were able to see showcases of some of the year groups creative and practical achievements. Robert Quinoo recited 'The Ballad of Reading Gaol' – the recitation that got him through to the college finals of Poetry By Heart. We also heard a number of musical performances from the GCSE Music group and the Year 10 instrumental group – which were skilfully played and lovely to hear. The Business and enterprise group gave a presentation on their Business project and finally, the drama group brought the house down with their performance of 'Bouncers'. The evening was rounded off with an inspirational speech from guest speaker Hannah Awonuga – an ex student of St Michael's and now a manager with Barclays Bank. Thank you to all the staff and students who made the evening so entertaining.

KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

24-28 Jun	Exams for all
27 Jun	Yr 11 Leavers Service
28 Jun	Yr 11 Prom
1-12 Jul	Yr 10 Work Experience
1-4 Jul	Business and Enterprise Week
2 Jul	Yr 6 Parents Evening
3 Jul	Yr 6 Induction Day
4 Jul	Yr 8 Celebration Evening

Please note that the last day of term will be Friday 19th July 2013.

Chaplain's Corner

For Serenity—God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things that should be changed, and the wisdom to know the difference. **Amen**

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