

# BORLASE NEWS



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## LIBRARY BOOKS

Thank you to the anonymous gentleman who donated books to the library last week.

## 7AP's MAMMOTH CYCLE RIDE

On 12 January 2010, a devastating earthquake measuring 7.0 on the Richter scale struck Haiti causing a humanitarian crisis. Many people were killed and injured - many are in desperate need of clean water, shelter and medical help. 7AP are doing their bit by attempting to cycle the 4468 miles between London and Haiti in aid of the Haiti Earthquake Appeal. If anyone has an exercise bike with a pedometer that we could use on 27 March from 10.00am until 4.00pm we would be grateful if you could lend it to us. We need at least 15 bikes if we are to achieve our target. Thank you in advance from the pupils of 7AP.



## SUPERMARKET VOUCHERS

ActiveKids vouchers are now available in Sainsbury's and Computers for Schools vouchers in Tesco's. Please collect as many as you can and pass them on to the school.

## SCHOOL TO HOME MAILING

A reminder to parents and pupils that copies of all letters sent home can be found in the Parents and Student areas of First Class under 'Recent Mailings'. We are trying hard to reduce the amount of paper used and actively discourage pupils from requesting spare copies of letters because they have 'lost' theirs. We are working towards all correspondence being sent home via email.

## YEAR 13 : FINANCING UNIVERSITY

Applying for student finance can now be done online. The following website provides detailed information about the various sources of funding and provides a link to the online application system:

[www.direct.gov.uk/en/EducationAndLearning/UniversityAndHigherEducation/StudentFinance/](http://www.direct.gov.uk/en/EducationAndLearning/UniversityAndHigherEducation/StudentFinance/)

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

### Parents' Meeting for Year 9 French Exchange

Thursday 11 March  
School Hall  
7.00 pm

### Arctic Expedition Quiz Night

Thursday 18 March  
*Details overleaf*

### Year 12 Pupil Review

25 - 31 March

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### P.A. EVENT

Bollywood Night  
8 May 2010

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### GOLF DAY

Wednesday 9 June  
Temple Golf Club

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### MONDAY 8 MARCH

A reminder that the Inset Day planned for 8 March has been postponed and all pupils are expected in school.

## BOOKS FOR SCHOOLS

A reminder that we are still collecting Books for Schools tokens from the Times and Sunday Times. The collection box is in the Library.

## INTERMEDIATE MATHS CHALLENGE

155 students from Years 9, 10 and 11 sat this one hour paper just before half term. The results are the best that we have had. An amazing 80% of the students (double the national average) walked away with a bronze, silver or gold award. Twenty two students performed so well that they have been invited to participate in a second round, again a record for the school. These are: In Year 11, Matthew Butler, Verity Morgan, Ben Allpass, Chris Mitchell, Fiona Jamieson, Thomas Kelly, Agata Borkowska, Daniel Nixon and Sam Hayward; in Year 10, Tom Flower, Emily Warne, Ben Cox, Max Hayes, Marianne O'Connor and Joel Matthews; in Year 9, Michael Lausch, Chris Turner, Matthew Lane, Isobel Phillips, Conner Mackenzie, Daniel Roblin and Dominic Katalanos. We wish them the best of luck for 18th March, when they sit the second paper.

## BORLASE PLAYERS MAKE BIG IMPRESSION IN COVENTRY ON THE AMERICAN FOOTBALL FIELD

A Marlow Wolves team featuring many Borlase players came agonisingly close to knocking down the UK champion Coventry Jets in a tournament in Coventry last Saturday. They lost by just one score in both games of the pre-season tournament but perhaps should have won both games. Great Britain coach Andrew Gambrill was present at the game and called it "the best debut of any team I have ever seen. You have every reason to hold your heads up high." He also singled out Josh Rollet saying that the Year 9 Borlase centre has "a very bright future in this game." Oli Tilouine led touchdown drives on every first half possession before letting the younger players run the second half in a 33-26 loss to the reigning champions which was only decided by a controversial touchdown, the Wolves had one ruled out of their own. In the second game Oli Tilouine also led scoring drives throughout the first half before again giving way in an agonising 33-30 defeat to the Coventry Cougars, losing to a touchdown in the last 25 seconds. Tom Stileman scored an incredible 5 touchdowns while Sam Stephens pulled in a conversion against the Jets. The team is looking forward to their next friendly tournament on 27 March at Great Marlow School.

## ATHLETICS

Two Borlase students competed in the National Athletics Championship Finals last weekend and both came 6th in their age group in the country. *Zac Randall* (Year 13) qualified for the final of the Men's U20 800m at the Aviva English Athletics Indoor Age Group Championships in Birmingham and came 6th in the final after a very impressive run in the heats. *Pippa Woolven* (Year 12) ran in the Saucy National Cross Country Championships at Roundhay Park in Leeds on Saturday and came 6th in the U17 Women's race out of a strong field of 200 competitors. Both runners are members of Wycombe Phoenix Athletics Club in High Wycombe and regularly compete in National competitions.

*Morgan Lake* (Year 8) competed at the Aviva National Indoor Under 15 Championships in Birmingham last weekend. Although Morgan is still only 12 she has recently moved up into an older age group and won the Long Jump with a new personal best of 5.61m - the third longest jump ever by an Under 15 girl. Morgan is also due to compete in the pentathlon this weekend at the Aviva National Combined Events Championships in Sheffield.

## AN EVENING OF OPERA

Artists from **London's Opera Holland Park** will be joining Borlase's senior singers and students from neighbouring schools for an evening of opera, including a recital and student masterclass from critically acclaimed soprano Orla Boylan. The evening will conclude with a concert performance (in Russian!) of the finale to Tchaikovsky's opera *Iolanta*. Students will sing chorus and principal parts with Miss Boylan in the virtuosic title role. The performance will take place on Thursday 25 March at 7.30 pm in the Theatre. Tickets will be available from Reception from Monday 15 March (£5.00/£2.50).

## EXCLUSIVE GCSE REVISION GUIDES OFFER

Borlase Young Enterprise company "Summit" are promoting a great offer to parents and pupils on GCSE revision guides for Maths and Science. These guides proved invaluable to "Summit" directors during their GCSE revision last year – **members of the company who used these easy to read guides went on to achieve A\*s in all 3 sciences and maths.** (The guides are not the same as the ones provided by the school but they complement them). Now parents are being offered a chance to buy these guides at a substantially discounted price. Please see the information leaflet and order form overleaf for more details. "Summit" will be grateful for your support and your children will be grateful for the higher grades!

*It was only a single decker on Thursday, but Lachlan Ewing in 7C going home with Matt Wilson from 7A to Bourne End had brought his Cadbury's Double-decker just in case!*



## LOST PROPERTY AND CONFISCATIONS

Lost property is available for collection from the old reception area every Wednesday at lunchtime. Pupils should also check Lost & Found on First Class detailing un-named uniform. Un-named articles will be kept for one month before disposal. There is also a cupboard full of second-hand blazers, school jumpers and sportswear in good condition that can be purchased for a minimal amount. Confiscated items are held in Reprographics for one month and pupils are urged to claim back their belongings for a fine of 50p. There is a backlog of confiscated items from before Christmas and if these are not collected by Friday 12 March they will be disposed of.

## PA NEWS

The recent comedy night proved to be extremely popular. The venue was packed with tickets being sold out, leaving many disappointed people. Due to this success we will be hosting another in October! Following on from this success we are hosting a **Bollywood Bonanza** on 8 May. This is going to be a fantastic night with Malik's food, Indian dancing and a rocking band! Tickets are already available from Reception; if you haven't had the flier already another will follow shortly, but remember don't delay in buying tickets as they sell fast! You can book a table for 10 people so bring your friends, or if you haven't met anyone from school yet let us know what year your child is and we will place you on the same table as others from that year. It's a great way to get to know other parents!

## SUMMER PLANT SALE

For all budding gardeners it is time to start planning your gardens for this summer. Once again the PA is raising funds for the school by selling the excellent summer bedding plants from C.D. Bell & Son's nursery. They are again offering the opportunity for schools and charities to earn 30% on all purchases of summer bedding plants with no minimum order and free delivery. In the past, customers have been very pleased with the plants they received. They are of high quality, their prices competitive and inclusive of VAT. You may visit their website [www.cdbell.co.uk](http://www.cdbell.co.uk) for colour illustrations and more information. All you need to do is submit your completed order form (attached with this newsletter) and a cheque for the total purchase made payable to SWBGS PA to school Reception, marking your envelope "Plants". The plants will be delivered to the school on the morning of Saturday 22 May. All you need to do is drop in to the School that morning to collect your plants from the Chapel Garden. It couldn't be easier. If you have any questions, please contact Rosalind on 01628 632564 or [rosalind.dyer@btinternet.com](mailto:rosalind.dyer@btinternet.com). Please print off additional order forms (for friends and family) as the more plants we sell, the better for the school.

**Please get your orders to reception as soon as possible with the final deadline being Friday 23 April.**

## GET ON BOARD THE GREEN BUS

The first week of late bus operation appears to have gone well. The FREE trial will continue until the end of term with the bus leaving Monday - Thursday every week. To sustain the bus we will need twice the number of people using it that did so in the first week. Looking at students leaving the school around 5.30 pm, there were several parents waiting to pick them by car. The bus will only be a permanent feature if it is used regularly, and clearly it is already fulfilling a valuable service for some - so get on board.

# Totally Trivial Quiz Night

**Thursday 18th March in the School Hall,  
7.15pm for 7.45pm start**

**The Annual Quiz Night returns, this year in aid of  
the Borlase Arctic Expedition to Svalbard in  
Summer 2010**

Malcolm Allitt returns by popular demand to be our quiz master for the third year in a row. He will once again test your brains with questions on a variety of non-academic subjects.

Make up a team of 8-10 people with other parents and friends, or come along and join a team on the night.  
Get to know some new people and HAVE FUN!

**Tickets are £10, including fish & chip supper\*.**

There will be a licensed bar from 7.15pm.

(Our licence only covers drinks purchased at the bar: please don't bring your own)

If you have any queries please contact Rosalind Dyer  
on 01628-632564 or email [rosalind.dyer@btinternet.com](mailto:rosalind.dyer@btinternet.com),  
or contact Martin Dyer via First Class

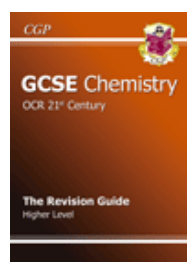
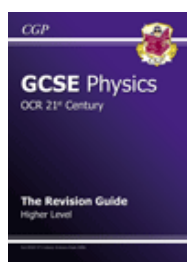
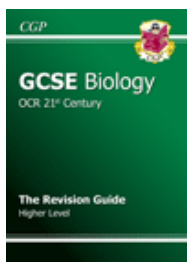
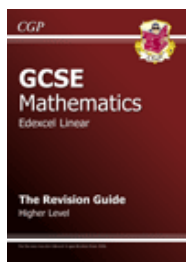
\*A vegetarian option is also available.

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Please fill out the form below, and take it with a cheque made payable to "Sir William Borlase's Grammar School", to the school Reception during school hours in order to collect your tickets.

Name of Pupil:..... Form: .....  
Phone No: ..... Parent's Email: .....  
Team name:..... No tickets:.....  
Choice of Food: ..... x Fish and Chips ..... x Vegetarian Option  
I enclose a cheque for ..... (£10 x no of tickets)  
Name of Quiz Night Team members:

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# EXCLUSIVE CGP REVISION GUIDE OFFER TO BORLASE PUPILS : 20% OFF



CGP guides have a proven track record for helping pupils achieve the top grades. Unlike many of the revision guides on the market, these guides are specifically written for the exam boards that Borlase uses, so you know they contain everything you need for exam success. In addition, we are offering supporting workbooks, which will help you to practise answering exam-style questions and ensure that you refine your subject knowledge. We have been able to buy the guides in bulk, which allows us to offer a 20% discount on all purchases. This represents fantastic value on the recommended retail price. So, don't miss out on exam success! Fill out the order form below and return it, along with your payment, to the finance office by Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March in order to start your revision over the Easter holidays!

## Order Form for CGP Offer

Book title	RRP	Our Price	Qty	Amount
GCSE Maths Edexcel Linear <b>Revision Guide</b>	£4.50	£3.60		
GCSE Maths Edexcel Linear <b>Workbook</b>	£4.50	£3.60		
GCSE Maths Edexcel Linear <b>Answers</b> (for workbook)	£2.00	£1.60		
GCSE Biology OCR 21 <sup>st</sup> Century <b>Revision Guide</b>	£4.50	£3.60		
GCSE Biology OCR 21 <sup>st</sup> Century <b>Workbook</b>	£4.50	£3.60		
GCSE Biology OCR 21 <sup>st</sup> Century <b>Answers</b> (for workbook)	£2.00	£1.60		
GCSE Physics OCR 21 <sup>st</sup> Century <b>Revision Guide</b>	£4.50	£3.60		
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GCSE Physics OCR 21 <sup>st</sup> Century <b>Answers</b> (for workbook)	£2.00	£1.60		
GCSE Chemistry OCR 21 <sup>st</sup> Century <b>Revision Guide</b>	£4.50	£3.60		
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GCSE Chemistry OCR 21 <sup>st</sup> Century <b>Answers</b> (for workbook)	£2.00	£1.60		
<b>Total amount to be paid</b>				<b>£</b>

I enclose a cheque /cash for £.....

Please make cheques payable to "Summit A Branch of Young Enterprise"

Name of pupil.....Form.....

Name of parent/guardian..... Signature.....

**SWBGS PLANT ORDER FORM: Plants delivered to SWBGS on Sat (am) May 22nd**

**Summer Hanging Baskets**

Due to the continued success of our hanging baskets scheme, this summer we are offering for sale 12" hanging baskets plentifully filled with a rich display of at least six summer plants. Each basket will contain a selection from trailing Fuchsias, Busy Lizzies, trailing Bacopa and trailing Petunias amongst others so that they will arrive brimming with colour and ready to display. To add a splash of instant colour to your garden simply add a basket to your order below.

	Cost per item	Total Req'd	Cost
Summer flowering, 12" wicker effect, ready filled hanging baskets	£9.00		

We also have our special offer on hanging baskets / patio refill packs! Each plant pack this year contains 3 individual pot grown plants and we have them at the special price of just £4! Our first packs contains a variety of different Fuchsias both trailing and standard bush, they come in a range of colours and will arrive ready to plant. Likewise with our second pack, which will contain a Busy Lizzie 'Shimmer', a trailing Petunia and the summer must have - trailing Bacopa. Bacopa is one of our favourites for the hanging basket or container, due to its trailing habit it produces masses of delicate flowers which cascade profusely over the container edges. Be quick and take advantage of these superb offers.

	Cost per item	Total Req'd	Cost
<b>Special Offer!!</b>			
Fuchsia hanging basket / patio pack (3 pack)	£4.00		
Trailing Bacopa, Busy Lizzie & Trailing Petunia plant pack (3 pack)	£4.00		

**Summer Bedding & Trailing Plants**

Bedding Plants	Colour	Description	No of plants in tray	Cost per tray	Total Req'd	Cost
Sweet William	Mixed	<i>Dwarf "Wee Willie"</i>	9	£2.00		
Blue Lobelia	Blue	<i>"Crystal Palace"</i>	9	£2.00		
Trailing Lobelia	Mixed	<i>lovely compact flowers</i>	9	£2.00		
French Marigold	Mixed	<i>Large double flowered</i>	9	£2.00		
Antirrhinum (snap dragons)	Mixed	<i>dwarf snap dragon</i>	6	£2.00		
Dahlia	Mixed	<i>Dwarf "Figaro"</i>	6	£2.00		
Petunia	Mixed	<i>"Bravo"</i>	6	£2.00		
Begonia	Mixed	<i>"Ascot"</i>	6	£2.00		
Busy Lizzy	Mixed	<i>"Cajun"</i>	6	£2.00		
Geranium	Mixed	<i>"Ringo"</i>	6	£2.50		

Patio Vegetables	Description	Cost	Total Req'd	Cost
Strawberry Frago	<i>This unique rose flowered strawberry is great in hanging baskets. Produces large sweet fruits from June to October</i>	£1.80 per pot		
Tomato Tumbling Tom	<i>Masses of sweet small, round fruit on spreading, cascading plants - excellent in hanging baskets or patio containers</i>	£1.80 per pot		
Dwarf Runner Bean Hestia	<i>This ornamental dwarf runner bean produces pretty red and white bicoloured flowers followed by heavy yields of good quality runner beans</i>	£2.50 per pack of 4		
Further information and colour illustrations can be found on our website <a href="http://www.cdbell.co.uk">www.cdbell.co.uk</a>			TOTAL PAYABLE	

Please complete and return to Reception (marked 'Plants') with a cheque made out to SWBGS PA)

NAME.....

CHILD'S NAME ..... FORM .....

HOME TEL.NO..... MOBILE NO.....

EMAIL ADDRESS (to confirm order) .....