



CREATIVITY

PARMITER'S SCHOOL

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GET STUFFED!



Once again, the Drama department excelled itself with the latest school production 'Get Stuffed'. Penned by Stephanie Anderson (Year 13) and set in a taxidermy shop, the play was a heady mix of surrealism, comedy, romance and catchy musical numbers performed by stuffed animals! Congratulations to all the cast, back stage crew and staff who worked so hard to create three memorable nights of entertainment. The plan now is to showcase our schools' talents by taking the show to the Edinburgh Fringe next summer.

CAST

MUM.....Elysia Hilton-Kodalashvili
 HAROLD.....Jacob Brugier
 MERCEDES.....Chloe Warne
 GERALD.....Benjamin Pearce
 CRAZY CAT LADY.....Harriet Strugnell
 PRIEST.....Josh Howarth

THE WADDED, THE FILLED, THE UPHOLSTERED

DOG.....ELLIOT BULL
 HAMSTERRHEA PERREIRA
 HEDGEHOG.....ERIN MULDOON
 SHARK.....CELESTE CARTMER EDWARDS
 MOUSE.....GABY WARD
 SQUID.....STEPHANIE ANDERSON
 OWL.....JIZZY MCSHANNON
 CAMEL.....LYDIA BLATCH
 FOX/TRUMPET.....LILY THOMAS
 BEAR/GUITAR.....AIDAN CHANN
 MOOSE/BASS.....ALBERT CHINN



Can you help us raise £500 for travel, accommodation and theatre space so we can take trip 'Get Stuffed' to the Edinburgh Festival? If you can spare a few shillings, please donate to our JustGiving crowdfunding page: https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/getstuffed?utm_term=p84N7QKAR

SIXTH FORM INDUCTION DAY

Early in September, the new YR12 cohort took part in their Induction Day, which included a number of team building tasks which included the 'Protect your Egg' challenge. Students were given a set of resources (1 egg, 1 sheet of newspaper, 1 balloon, 1m length of string, 1m length of tape, 5 straws, 3cm x 3cm square of BluTack) to build a contraption which would protect their raw egg when dropped from the first floor window in The Old Library onto a target. The drop was filmed and the winning team was the one that successfully landed their egg in one piece. If more than one team managed to protect their egg (admittedly not many!), then the winning team would be the one closest to the target.

Congratulations to the winners - VIDCA.



PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

The Art & Photography department ran our annual photography competition and this year's theme was 'support'. The competition was open to all students across all year groups, regardless of their subject choices. They could interpret the word 'support' however they liked, as long as the image included a clear link, an interesting composition, and was aesthetically pleasing. We had four winners this year who received a portable photographic studio as a prize.



Ollie Arnold 11AKY



Erno Thorp 8CMO



Jonty Moore 9KPO



Prabhuv Gautam 9KPO

A LEVEL PHOTOGRAPHY TRIP



We also took our A Level Photography students into London to explore the current exhibitions at the Photographer's Gallery. Students were inspired by the presentation techniques that had been used, such as projections, films, and collections of box frames; especially as we are prone to leaving our images in digital format only. The collection of Helen Levitt's work in the gallery showed students examples of candid street photography, as well as group portraits. This gave the students inspiration and courage for completing their own photoshoots around central London after lunch. Year 12 and Year 13 students assisted each other with finding exciting compositions, angles and locations, and it was great to see the two classes working together.

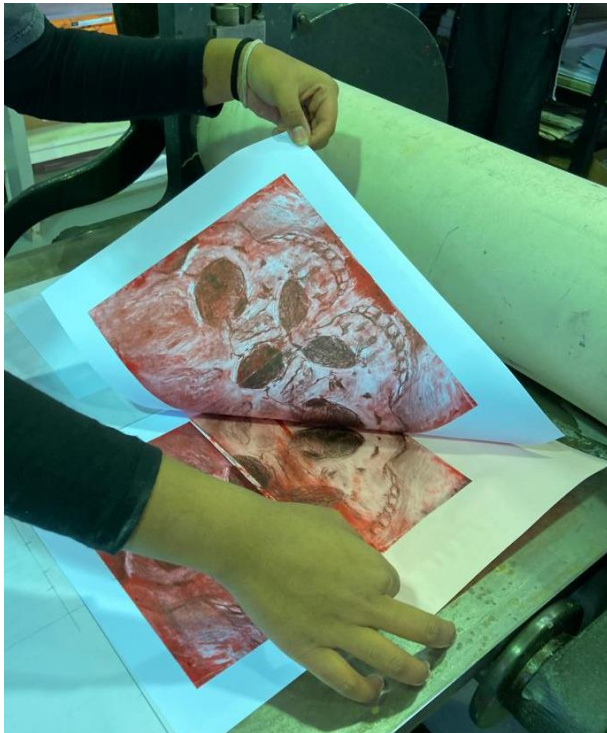
GUEST SPEAKER - VERONA THOMAS



Ex-Parmiterian, Verona Thomas, returned to the school this autumn to speak to our students about her career as a Photographer. She discussed how her education, in particular Photography, English Literature and Drama, all helped her get to the position she is now in. Students posed a range of interesting questions such as how to work with a difficult client, how much money can you make from one photoshoot, what editing software do you use, and what advice would you give Parmiter's students when starting out taking photographs. Students from KS3 up to KS5 left feeling inspired, motivated and creative.

A LEVEL ART TRIP: CURWEN PRESS

Our artists in sixth form spent a day at the Curwen Print Studios, creating dry point etchings and lino prints. Students used large printing presses and equipment that they have not experienced before. Speaking with professional printers who create this style of art everyday left them feeling inspired and wanting to explore printmaking even more; many students didn't even want to leave at the end of the day! The prints that students produced during this trip have contributed towards their A Level studies, but more importantly, the experience of producing their own images in this way has allowed them to experiment, refine and develop as creatives.



STAFF PANTOMIME

It was not only the students who enjoyed a bit of Drama last term! Over 20 members of staff rose to the challenge of creating a modern day Nativity. The Staff did a fantastic job of getting into the festive spirit and giving up their own time to put together a little festive treat for the students to enjoy on the last day of the Autumn term.



CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE



The School Carol Service, this year in St Luke's Church, Cassiobury, provided a welcome return to music making face-to-face. With Senior and Junior choirs leading the way, supported by the Brass Ensemble and Senior Strings, more than 70 students contributed to a wonderful Service of Nine Lessons and Carols; congratulations to all involved. The packed church and beautifully performed uplifting music created a lovely warm seasonal atmosphere, and the warm mince pies and mulled wine provided by the PA afterwards sent everyone home in a festive mood!



STAFF BAKE OFF

Unbeknown to our students, every November the D&T block becomes the venue for one of the most prestigious and fiercely contested titles at Parmiter's – STAFF STAR BAKER! Teams from each House took part in three challenges – the blind bake, the technical bake and the showstopper, the theme of which this year was gravity.



Our staff bakers this year were Mrs Faisal, Mrs Beesley, Mrs Murray, Mrs Dewar, Dr Butler, Miss Chapman, Miss Morrin, Miss O'Malley, Mr Lavin, Ms Hooper, Miss Harris, Miss Bliss, Mr Cummings, Mrs Rowland and Miss Lincoln plus Teresa Gullick and Grace Beasley from the sixth form who stepped in at the last minute.

After the perspiration and swearing had stopped, it was Lee and Renvoize that shared the crown. Congratulations to everyone who took part, but a particular mention to our winners - Mr Lavin (Showstopper), Mrs Beesley (Blind Challenge) and Dr Butler (Technical Bake). Thanks to Mrs Kosky for organising the event.

Results:

- 1st = Renvoize 81
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- 3rd Mayhew 79
- 4th Beven 77
- 5th Carter 68
- 6th Woolley 24

★★★★ FORTHCOMING EVENTS ★★★★★



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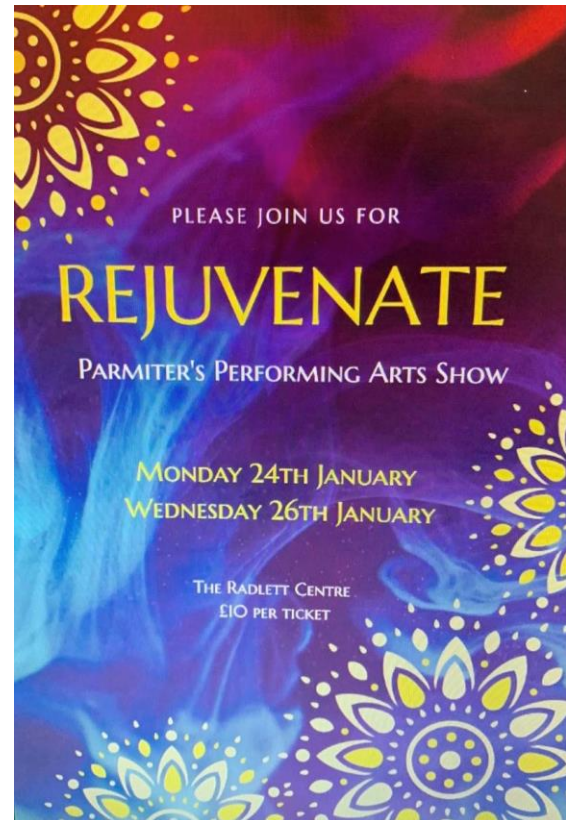
MUSIC EVENTS

SPRING-SUMMER 2022



THU 20 JAN	POETRY BY HEART WORKSHOP - Junior & Senior Choirs
WED 2 FEB	SERVICE AT ST MATTHEW'S BETHNAL GREEN - Junior & Senior Choirs
THU 10 FEB	PICNIC CONCERT - Chamber ensembles
WED 16 MAR	SPRING CONCERT - Large ensembles
WED 11 MAY	SUMMER CONCERT - Large ensembles
THU 16 MAY	CREATIVE ARTS EVENING - Solos, bands & groups
15-19 JULY	CONCERT TOUR TO HOLLAND - Tour band and singers

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PLEASE JOIN US FOR

REJUVENATE

PARMITER'S PERFORMING ARTS SHOW

MONDAY 24TH JANUARY
WEDNESDAY 26TH JANUARY

THE RADLETT CENTRE
£10 PER TICKET

It's coming...

PARMITER'S
fringe



Parmiter's School will again be hosting its biennial Fringe festival on Monday 28th March. Students from all year groups will be performing, presenting and showcasing their skills across a wide variety of themes such as Drama, Music, Psychology, Art, Politics, Dance and many more! Details about how to get involved will be available soon.

...and there's even more Drama!

The Parmiter's Drama society is running several after school courses this term including playwriting, monologues, set design and improvisation. These courses are a great way for students to develop skills and potentially produce work for performances at our Fringe Festival. You can sign up via the sheets in the Drama Centre

