



FAMILY MATTERS

The Holy Family Technology College

A Catholic Secondary School & Specialist Technology College

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Friday 2nd. November 2007

New Head Teacher appointed.

The Governing Body of The Holy Family Technology College are pleased to announce the appointment of Dr. Andy Stone as Head Teacher. Dr. Stone will join the school in April 2008 and we hope that staff, pupils and parents will extend him a warm welcome on his arrival.



Congratulations.....

On Sunday 7th. October Jack Morgan represented Holy Family in the English Schools Division 8 Diving Trials held in Cambridge where he gained 6th place. Jack is a very active member of the Waltham Forest Diving Club and has taken part in many competitions gaining several medals. To enter this competition is a great achievement and we look forward to Jack's continued success.

THE FRIENDS OF THE HOLY FAMILY TECHNOLOGY COLLEGE

Many thanks to all those who attended the AGM of the Friends on Tuesday 30th October 2007 in the Walthamstow House Hall. We would like to thank our out-going Chair, Mr. Dave Ling for his hard work and dedication over many years. Our new Chair is Mr. Mike Eames who has been a keen supporter of the Friends. Dave will still organise our Tuesday night Bingo sessions and the dates for the rest of the academic year are published below –

Tuesday 6 th November 2007	Tuesday 1 st April 2008
Tuesday 4 th December 2007	Tuesday 6 th May 2008
Tuesday 8 th January 2008	Tuesday 3 rd June 2008
Tuesday 5 th February 2008	Tuesday 1 st July 2008
Tuesday 4 th March 2008	

Bingo sessions are held on the first Tuesday of every month in the Walthamstow House Hall at 7.30 for 8.00pm. Bring your own refreshments – cash prizes – all welcome!

FRIENDS QUIZ NIGHT

The Friends will be holding a **Quiz Night** on **Saturday 19th January 2008** at 7.30pm in the Walthamstow House Hall. Fish and Chips or Chicken and Chips supper provided. Adults - £7.00 /Children £4.00 - Tables of eight people – **Contact Mike Eames – Tel. 0208 558 6996**

FRIENDS TABLE TOP SALE

The Friends will be holding a **Table Top Sale** in the Walthamstow House Hall on **Saturday 1st March 2008** from 10.00am to 1.00pm. Tables are £10 – **Contact Mike Eames – Tel. 0208 558 6996**

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Friends will take place on **Tuesday 15th January 2008** on the Walthamstow House Site at 7.30pm. All welcome!

Headteacher: Mr. E. G. Breen, BA, DipEd, MEd Deputy Headteachers: Ms. C. Hodges, BA Hons Mr. D. O'Neill BEd, MA, NPQH

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Showtime!

Drama students have had a busy start to the term. On 21st September, A level students had the opportunity to prepare for their future careers with an interview and audition day lead by the Central School of Speech and Drama.

The 25th of October saw GCSE and A level students attending George Bernard Shaw's *St Joan* at the National theatre, and on the 1st October A level students returned to the theatre to see *A Disappearing Number* by Complicite. Founded in 1983 Complicite is a constantly evolving ensemble of performers and collaborators whose work has ranged from entirely devised work to theatrical adaptations and revivals of classic texts. Always changing and moving forward to incorporate new stimuli, the principles of the work have remained close to the original impulses: seeking what is most alive, integrating text, music, image and action to create surprising, disruptive theatre.



No surprise, then, that the next student visit on Friday 5th October was to see Peter Brook's *Fragments*, where all actors were Complicite trained, and one - Marcello Magni - a founding member of the company. Peter Brook is one of the foremost British Directors and this production of a collection of Beckett's short plays showed his directorial genius at its best. Students viewed fragments as a part of their AS Drama course.

On the 15th October, year 10 students attended a Black History workshop, run as a part of Black History Month by CETTIE (Cultural Exchange through Theatre in Education). CETTIE is a registered charity that works with schools and theatres to promote Equal Opportunities. Although Black History Month focuses on historical aspects of Black life and culture, it forms part of a wider multicultural approach to the curriculum both in drama and throughout the school. Students said it was "an effective play," with "a lot of meaning ... a good experience ... this performance expanded our knowledge of many black leaders".

On Wednesday the 17th October, Music and Drama students went to see *Les Miserables* at the Queen's theatre, touring backstage and trying on costumes, and 1st November will see another joint trip - this time with the English department- to see *Warhorse* at the National.

Auditions have also been taking place – before half term, sixth former Brigitte Adela auditioned for her production of *A View From a Bridge* by Arthur Miller, and auditions will be taking place on the 30th and 31st October and 2nd November for the school's very own production of *Bugsy Malone*.

The show must go on...

STAFF VACANCIES

We require 2 midday assistants to start as soon as possible to supervise the lunch breaks. The hours are 12.25pm – 1.40pm (6¼) hours per week. Term time only. The rate of pay is £7.36 per hour. Please ring Mrs Fray 0208 509 4274 for an application form.

Results from the Borough Cross Country champs:

Yr7 Girls:	Yr8/9 Girls;
Sarah Nyesongo - 14th	Beth Yeboha - 71th
Michaela McKenzie - 29th	
Magdalana Zakrocka - 50th	
Yr7 Boys:	Yr8/9 Boys
Tommy Willis - 5th	Yoje Kikanka - 3rd
Andrew Bundlock - 7th	James Morris - 71st
Luke Maynord - 47th	Matthew Higgins - 75th
Reece Thomas - 67th	Charles Bundlock - 73rd
James Elliot - 68th	
Yr 11 Football Result	11-0 win against Norlington in Second Round of the Cup

"Stairway to Heaven" Rock Mass Sunday 4th November 2007 6pm

with the young people of Our Lady of Ransom Catholic Church, London Hill, Rayleigh

Music by our new Parish Rock Band
"Apocalypse"

All are welcome to attend.

For further information contact
Paul Maynard 01702 522457 or
www.myspace.com/stairwaytoheavenrockmass

MFL department trip to France, October 2007

I enjoyed everything, going shopping, going to the Eiffel tower. The best part was going to Disneyland. I had so much fun. *Ana Gabriela*

I have too many good memories to put down in a few lines. I loved sharing a room with my friends, seeing all the sights and shopping. Thanks for letting me go on the trip and I'll make my family take us to Paris again and I'll show them all the pretty places. *Anon*

The trip was the best I had a really great time and I would like to go back. All the teachers were amazing, they made sure we were safe, comfortable and enjoying all the time we had. I thank all the teachers for their support and the wonderful time we enjoyed. *Anon*

The best memory I had was to learn and get to know about another country with the people I most appreciate in this world. *Juan*

My best memory of the trip is the visit to Disneyland village and the cowboy show.

My favourite memories are when went to the Eiffel Tower and Disneyland because I have never been on an upside down rollercoaster before. Also I enjoyed Buffalo Bills, brilliant. *Natalie Baulch*

My favourite memories of the French Trip were when we went to Disneyland as it was new to me. I enjoyed learning more about French culture and hearing the language spoken in the real environment. *Aisling Fahey*

I can't possibly tell you the best parts of the trip because I enjoyed everything from the excursion trips to Disneyland. I loved everything. Learning more about the French and their way of life. It was an outstanding trip and will be a memory to keep forever. *Krystal Stewart*

My best experience in France was being able to learn new words and phrases in French, Anne was a very good teacher, and going to Disneyland and the Eiffel Tower. *Kofi*

I had many good experiences but the one which stuck out the most was the Eiffel Tower because I overcame my fear of heights. *Dave*

My best experience was to speak French when shopping, it feels different and shows how good you are at French. *Dominic*

My best memory was when I learnt new words. *Brenda*

The whole experience was great. Especially Disneyland. The only downside was not being able to drink champagne at a champagne cellar. *Anon*

Dinner because we ate with our friends and conversed whilst enjoying French meals that we had never tasted before. *Anon*

I got to experience the world of France and to have fun with friends. *Anon*

My best memory was from the Eiffel Tower because you can see most of Paris from that height and you can see how similar it is to London. *Chris Atkins*

My best memories were when we went sight seeing around Paris. I also enjoyed the trip to Disneyland. Overall I enjoyed the whole trip, there is nothing I did not enjoy. *Ana*

The French Trip I think was a memory by itself. It helped me understand how much passion I have for the language. I especially liked going to Disneyland and the village. *Sunil*