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Editorial—Mr Bent

This week's issue has a lot of sporting events in it—the girls have been representing the school brilliantly. We also have the history of the school written by Eleanor, another Guess the Flag competition and some information about the translation competition being run by Miss Edwards. Friday is Comic Relief, with activities being run in Mentor Groups during P5. There are also jokes on the windows as your teachers have been sending Madame Foster their best jokes. I haven't yet sent one in; I don't want to embarrass everyone else!

Mr Bent

Anthea Bell translation competition

The Anthea bell translation competition is a languages competition run by Oxford University. There are five languages to pick from (Spanish, French, German, Mandarin and Italian) each with four levels of difficulty. The task is judged based on both creativity and accuracy. Each text has a glossary provided to aid translation but you can also use dictionaries and online translation tools. The deadline for submitting entries is the 8th of April.

Chloe

US State Flag Competition Week 2:



Last week's answer was Arizona!

Sporting News:

On Monday 7th March, our U14 girls football team travelled to The Marlborough School in Woodstock to play the first round of the County Cup. Marlborough had a strong side of mainly Y9's and our team of mainly Y8's gave them an extremely good game. An early goal from Marlborough was a shock to the system but our girls pushed on. Unfortunately Marlborough scored another two goals in the first half so we went into half time 3-0 down. In the second half the girls boosted each other and encouraged each other and managed to score two great goals (Kyra Cotter and Sophie Gold). They nearly clinched an equaliser right at the end but the Marlborough goalkeeper made a very good save. The match finished 3-2 but the girls did themselves and the school incredibly proud. Excellent effort girls.

Miss Keys

The year 8 Netball Team have had a really good season and due to their results they were placed in the Shield competition of the League Finals on Tuesday 8th March. They played extremely well and with two draws and a win they came 2nd overall out of all of the schools.

Mrs Hanson

On Tuesday 8th March Mrs Hanson and Miss Hancocks took the year 8 girls netball team to NOA school to compete in the netball tournament to play in the Shield Cup. The girls that played in the team were Sophie Gold, Gabby Waters, Sophia Mai Whiteside, Lottie Palmer, Phoebe South, Kyra Cotter and Chloe Hall. The other schools in the Shield Cup were Gosford, Warriner and The Bicester School. The first game that we played was against Warriner. The game ended 4:4. The next game we played was against Gosford and drew 5:5. The last game was against The Bicester School where we won 5:0. After all the games were played Bicester School came 4th, Gosford came 3rd, Wykham Park came 2nd and Warriner came 1st.

Sophie Gold



The History of Wykham Park Academy:

Quality education in Banbury can be traced all the way back to Henry III's reign, around 750 years ago, when there was a grammar school established. About 600 years later, in 1893, Wykham Park's earliest roots were set up; the Municipal Technical and Secondary School, which was originally boys-only. In 1914, the first World War began. As the beautiful plaque commemorating those from the school who died during it shows (look outside the English corridor), it affected many people attending Wykham at the time. Thirty years after it was set up, in 1923, the school moved to its current location, albeit with slightly different buildings. It was renamed Banbury County School and, another 25 years later, girls were admitted. World War II came in 1939, and, once again, people of Banbury bravely volunteered to fight for the country, again shown on the plaque.

The school later became a Grammar School for a while - inventively named Banbury Grammar School. Other schools began to pop up in Easington and Grimsbury, until in 1967 there was a merger of schools (Stanbridge Hall, Wykham Hall and Broughton Hall) and Banbury School appeared. The school became an academy in 2012. In September 2018, Banbury School was re-named, for the final time to date, Wykham Park academy, the school we know today.

Buildings

The buildings that we see at Wykham are actually not very old - the main building of Stanbridge, the buttery and glass dining hall all date back to about 2006-7. Wykham also stretched most of the way along Ruskin road; what is now Stanbridge house was part of the premises, as well as Futures' buildings.



Eleanor