

# Goodwin Times

## Term 5

Dear Parents and Carers,

As Term 5 draws to a close we look forward to the May break, during which hopefully the students and staff can take a well-deserved break. It's hard to comprehend that we will be heading into our final term of the 2017/18 academic year.

Throughout the following pages, you will see just how busy Term 5 has been with a huge amount of our students engaging in some form of activity including visits from local primary schools, national competitions, workshops and sporting achievements.

It is with regret to report that Mr Rorke, Vice Principal, leaves Goodwin Academy to start a new position next term as Headteacher of Thamesview School in Gravesend. Mr Rorke has been a valuable and well-respected member of the Senior Leadership Team and I know that staff and students alike will miss him. On behalf of everyone at Goodwin Academy, I would like to bid him a fond farewell and wish him good luck for the future for this thoroughly deserved promotion.

Students from Year 8 competed in a Rock Cycle Challenge. Creating models of the rock cycle and then prepared presentations to present to each other in class. The Winner of the Rock Cycle Challenge and Presentation was picture No.2. This was due to the extended knowledge and extension tasks that they completed alongside the challenge.



**T e r m D a t e s**

Term 6 04/06/28 – 25/07/28

# Rising Stars

A big well done to Izzy Namey who competed on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> April in Sambo Competition against the 7x Dutch Champion who was 20% heavier than she was! Brilliant to see you doing so well Izzy! In addition, a big well done to Jack Andrews in Year 8 who also competed for the first time on Saturday!



Also further keeping up to date with Izzy and her Sambo Competitions, 13<sup>th</sup> May Izzy was part of the Kent Squad Ladies Team competing at The Southern Area Intercounties Competition. The team won Gold for the county. Izzy has been invited to compete at The Sambo Junior World Championships in Georgia in October. Amazing news Izzy!



Dear Izzy,

Congratulations on your recent gold medal at The British Sambo Championships, held at Folkestone on the 21<sup>st</sup> April. As a result of your performance there, you have been selected to compete at The World Junior Championships in Georgia between the 11<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> October 2018, as part of the British team.

As I am sure you are aware, The BSF does not receive any funding from UKSport or any other source, therefore ALL expenses, including travel, accommodation, insurance, international licence etc. must be borne by yourself.

All entries to The World Junior Championships **MUST** go through The BSF.

I look forward to seeing you compete as part of the British team.

Yours sincerely,

G. Carroll

Colin Carroll,  
BSF Competitions Secretary



From Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June, blazers will become optional for students. However, if students choose not to wear their blazers they will not be allowed to wear any other type of outdoor coat within the Academy building. All other uniform requirements regarding shoes, jewellery etc. remain unchanged.

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> May, Coach Matt took a group of students for an insight into the sports and Leisure industry. It was held at Three Hills sports centre in Folkestone. There, guest speakers spoke to groups about their life experiences and what inspired them to become top athletes. Guests included Folkestone's very own Professional boxer Joshua Kennedy (Seen pictured with Dylan Taft and Ceyhun Aslan.) This event was the first of what will now become many and was put on by Think Forward. Thanks to the students who all represented the Goodwin academy in a positive way.

On Friday 4<sup>th</sup> May was the insight trip to the Olympic park to Arcadia Reach. Arcadia build giant robot stages made from ex-military scrap. Arcadia put on engineering workshops where our group made a Spider Crab out of scrap metal. With the support from highly skilled engineers, students got to use power tools to build their insects.

It was a long day as we did not return to Deal until the early hours, but the students who attended represented the Goodwin Academy in a very positive way.



Year 10 Business mentoring 2018 with Luxury food company Cook in their head office based in Sittingbourne working towards a B-Tech level one.



Year 10 Goodwin academy Mentee's with Cook Mentors



# Duke of Edinburgh



When Mr. Argent took up the mantle of leading the Duke of Edinburgh's award at Goodwin Academy, he had very clear aims and objectives. Firstly, to raise awareness and attainment of the Duke of Edinburgh's award and secondly, and most importantly, keep the spirit of the Duke of Edinburgh's award as pure as when it first began on September 1st 1956.

The mission of the DoE award is to inspire, guide, support young people in their self-development, and recognise their achievements. The first Goodwin Academy DoE awards night did just that. It was a recognition of the accomplishments of our students who embarked on their DoE adventure almost two years ago. Tonight the first major league of that journey ended. Tonight, they enjoyed the fruits of their labour.

We were graced with the presence of Edward Gaskin, the DoE's Operations Officer for the South East, who gave a fantastically informative presentation on the history, views, objectives, and structure of the award to an eager and intrigued crowd of Goodwin parents. The night continued with uplifting and captivating speeches and anecdotes from some of our students. Savannah Bowels, Hannah and Ottie Brice, Madeleine Gosse, Nicole Higgins and Ellie Meindl were that group. We were privy to tales of their misadventures whilst practicing for their qualifying expedition. From heading 'north' with the fire and grit of Ernest Shackleton, all because 'that is where the arrow pointed,' to the trials and tribulations of taming a four-man tent in high winds, and defending themselves from hordes of rampant sheep in the seemingly tranquil Kentish countryside, this group of young people had experiences they will hopefully cherish for a lifetime. Once the nervousness of anticipation of the evening subsided and Mr. Argent and Mr. Norrie Barber presented their awards, our students appeared empowered, with a look of accomplishment and well deserved satisfaction. All of their hard work was worth it. A proud moment for them all.

On behalf of the Academy, I extend my congratulations to every Goodwin Academy participant of the Duke of Edinburgh's award. Those who have completed their Bronze award now stride on to achieve their silver. We wish to thank Edward Gaskin and Norrie Barber for their support and guidance. We wish our students luck for the future and thank our staff and parents for their continued support. A special thank you to Miss Danni Bowden, Mrs Georgina Hamilton-Hopkins, and Mr Andy Brown for helping organise the event. Here's to another successful year for our DoE students!

Teacher of English & Duke of Edinburgh Supervisor

Mr. Sam Brady

The six qualifying participants with their  
Duke of Edinburgh Assessor Norrie Barber.

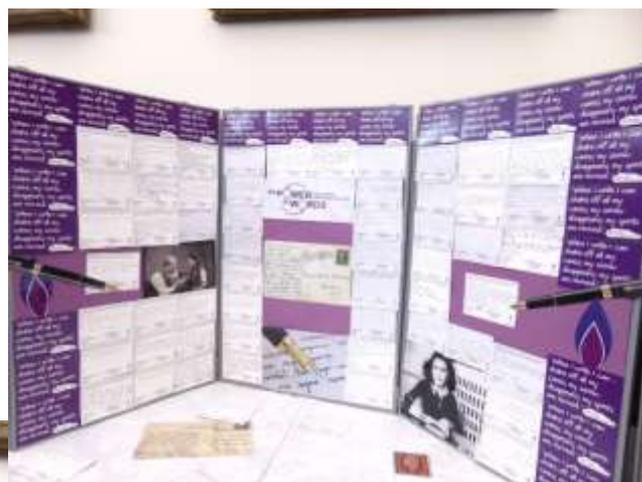




# Humanities



This year Goodwin Academy are proud to announce that we have been confirmed in the top 10 of schools who took part in marking the Holocaust Memorial Day on 27<sup>th</sup> January. This year the focus for the Memorial Day was the Power of Words. Goodwin Academy Pupils discussed how words were used during WW2 to incite persecution and murder, but they also considered that this form of discrimination and intolerance has continued. During an assembly and in their form times pupils heard the stories from Kinder Transport Holocaust survivor Renie Inow and Bosnian Genocide survivor Sedan Mustafic. Pupils then recorded their thoughts and questions on postcards, some of which were displayed at Deal Town Hall on Holocaust Memorial Day on the 27<sup>th</sup> January. These postcards were viewed after the ceremony by the public and Kay Sharpe, Granddaughter of a Holocaust victim and Councillor Nick Tomaszewski whose family had been affected by the Holocaust. The focus on the Power of Words does not stop with the exhibition. Each form at Goodwin Academy has received a reply from Renie and Sedin sharing the message that stories are not forgotten and the pupils of Goodwin Academy helped to reinforce that power of positive words continue and influence old and new generations to stop spreading hatred and intolerance.



Also this term, Year 7 have been investigating local history and focusing on Deal's importance during WW1. As part of this study Year 7 have completed a brief history tour of Deal to investigate some of the 'unseen' history. Pupils also had a chance to see where Edie Appleton, a WW1 trench nurse they have been studying lived. We did not have the weather from last week but fortunately it only rained on the way back to school for one of our groups. Year 7 discovered lots of facts about Deal, some enjoyed the extra exercise and it was great fun to be 'doing history' outside the classroom.



# Humanities



Monday the 23rd April commemorated the centennial anniversary of the Raid of Zeebrugge which was an attempt by the Royal Navy to block the Belgian port of Bruges-Zeebrugge. The British intended to sink obsolete ships in the canal entrance, to prevent German vessels from leaving port. The Marines who were involved in the raid trained in Deal, where the layout port of Bruges-Zeebrugge had been reconstructed. The raid saw eight Victoria Crosses being awarded and the entire 4th Battalion was also bestowed with this honour.

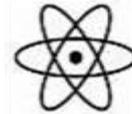
10 Students represented Goodwin Academy at the commemorations at St James's cemetery in Dover, laying a wreath in memory of The Fallen. I have to comment on the behaviour of our students, who were respectful in their demeanour.

The culmination of the commemorations saw the launch of the Marines Heritage trail, tracing not only key points in Deal's history with regards the Marines, but also provides an opportunity for locals and visitors an opportunity to learn about Deal's nautical past. Goodwin Academy is part of this historical seafaring community and I encourage you all to trace take the opportunity to find out a little more about it's history.





# Science Department



Students who took part in the Biology Challenge last term have received certificates for their participation in the event. Well done to our students who achieved 'commended' and 'highly commended' award certificates for their performance on the challenge.

The science club are assisting Dr McIntosh, a scientist from Canterbury Christchurch University, in a local project measuring air pollution using biological surfaces. Schools from around Kent, including Goodwin Academy, who are on board with the project are taking care of 2 strawberry plants, 2 geraniums and bio-charcoal samples. Last year, only strawberry plants were used for the project however this year's trial has an improved range to test whether there are better natural pollution collectors than strawberry plants. The aim of CCCU's strawberry project is to investigate whether there is a cheaper or more localised way of measuring pollution, in attempt to revise pollution awareness nationwide. Deal's particle pollution is measured from stations in Canterbury, giving inaccurate results about our local climate. This Project, directed towards young aspiring scientists encourages them to become more involved and interested in the world around them, while contributing to a study about conservation, a subject that very relevant in world politics and sciences.

# Food Technology



Year 11 Food Students undertook a three-hour practical assessment as part of the new specification GCSE Food Preparation and Nutrition exam. They were asked to produce three skilled dishes with accompaniments suitable for a special occasion of their choice. The students rose to the occasion and a high standard was produced.



From all of us here at Goodwin Academy, be safe over the Half Term and remember students return on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June.

# Wellbeing Art

Students from Goodwin Academy had the opportunity to participate at a Street Art workshop at UCA Canterbury. The session was taken by Ben Slow, a successful street artist, [www.slowbenart.com](http://www.slowbenart.com) and supported by UCA Ambassadors. The day kicked off with a presentation giving an introduction to UCA and context to Street Art as an art specialism. The students started with Stencil-making (ready for the spraying) for their final piece. Ben demonstrated to the students the art of spray painting and various techniques which allowed students to then create their own boards of street art.



## PE Clubs



	Clubs/ Extra Curricular Events	Room	Time Duration
Mondays	All Years Basketball/ Cricket	Sports Hall/ Field	Lunchtime
	KS4/5 Weightlifting	Fitness Suite	Lunchtime
	Rounder's Club - JT	Field	Afterschool
Tuesdays	All Years Cricket	Sports Hall/ Field	Lunchtime
	KS3 Fitness	Fitness Suite	Lunchtime
	Dance (Invite Only) – KHW	Dance Studio	Afterschool
	Cricket Club - RC	Field	Afterschool
Wednesday	Girls Only (All Years) Cricket/Basketball	Field	Lunchtime
	Dance (Invite Only) – KHW	Dance Studio	Afterschool
	Cheerleading	Dance Studio	Afterschool
Thursday	KS4/5 Circuits	Fitness Suite	Lunchtime
	All Years Cricket	Sports Hall/ Field	Lunchtime
Friday	KS3 Circuits	Fitness Suite	Lunchtime
	All Years Cricket/ Basketball	Sports Hall/ Field	Lunchtime