



The Clarionette

10 Great Things this Fortnight

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- 1) As part of our World Class School status, which recognises us as providing outstanding educational opportunities for students including providing opportunities for global collaborations, we are delighted that in December 2016 Claremont High School Academy Trust was recognised as the first and only assessor school in the group of World Class Schools (image top right)
- 2) In other news relating to our status as a World Class School, we reported in an earlier edition that 3 year 11 students had been short-listed to enter an essay writing competition. We can now report that the entry of Seeta Patel in 11.9 came in the top 10 out of over 100 entries nationwide (image bottom right). An excellent achievement and well done to all students who participated.
- 3) Last term, 30 Year 10 pupils took part in the Jack Petchey Speakout Workshop and made brilliant progress throughout the day. Congratulations to Suraj Kothani and David Dickson, whose speeches were Highly Commended and to winners: Karan Nimsons, Octavia Akshay-Patel, Nurhan El-Sahib and Ayse Arslan. The winning four gave their speeches in an assembly before half term. Congratulations to final winner, Nurhan El-Sahib in 10.1, who goes onto the regional final in February.
- 4) As reported in the last edition, all year 11 students sat a series of **mock exams** in December and we can now report some very pleasing results. It is important to note that the mocks provide opportunity for students to reflect and refine their work and we would expect students to be aiming for higher grades in their actual exams. See link opposite for a mock reflection guide for students which was issued to all year 11s this week.
- 5) Highlights of results include: 72 students who are already achieving 3 or more top A/A* (7-9) grades at this stage in year 11, with a particular congratulations to the 28 students who achieved 7 or more of the highest grades (A*s or grades 8/9)
We achieved some excellent results in the sciences, with a highlight in physics of 67% of students already meeting or exceeding their external targets with a term still to go.
- 6) During the mock exam period, year 11 art students completed Unit 1 of their actual GCSE assessment with some excellent results and the majority of students exceeding their target grades.
- 7) Congratulations to a further 16 students who passed their ECDL exams at the end of the last term.
- 8) After reporting on the year 10 basketball success in the last edition, we can also celebrate the Year 7 basketball team who played their first game of the season in December, beating Kingsbury with a 34-18 win
- 9) Last month all year 12 students attended their GCSE certificate presentation event where both students and staff were able to formally celebrate all the hard work and effort that went into producing some fantastic results.
- 10) Well done to Thomas Sewell and Dinas Stakelimas in year 8 who threw themselves into the festive spirit before the Christmas break and won the infamously difficult Library Christmas quiz, beating off some tough competition.



News in Education

This Week- Updated university league tables 2017

<https://www.theguardian.com/education/ng-interactive/2016/may/23/university-league-tables-2017>

A Claremont Guide for Students:
How to use mock results to ensure future progress and improvement.

http://www.claremont-high.org.uk/CurriculumLinks/Reflecting_on_mock-_a_guide_for_students.pdf

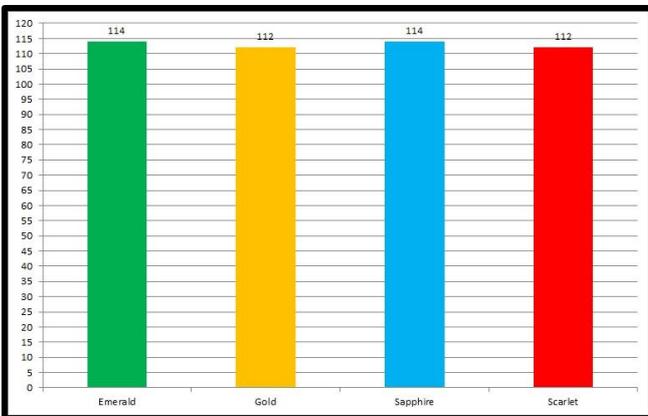




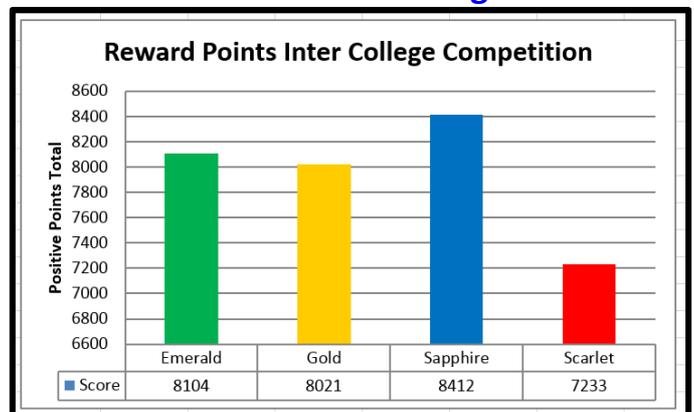
College Competitions



Sports



Rewards and Recognition



Round 3 of Inter College gets underway this Friday with the Year 11 boys and girls playing badminton. This is the closest competition we have ever had with just 2 points separating all four colleges!

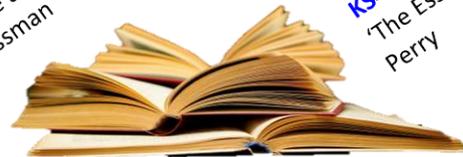
Before the Christmas break, we also had an update on the College Aggregate Shield following a paper snowflake making competition (image of winning snowflake by Ms Patel above). Current scores are:

- 1st Scarlet (10 points)**
- 2nd Emerald (6 points)
- 3rd Sapphire (4 points)
- No entry for Gold

Sapphire are storming into 2017 retaining their lead in the Reward Points Inter College. Emerald have taken back their lead on Gold by 100 points. Poor old Scarlet are still trailing behind. Come on Scarlet - you can do better!

KS3 Book of the fortnight
 'Apple and Rain' by Sarah Crossman

KS4 Book of the fortnight
 'The Essex Serpent' by Sarah Perry



Pupil Commendations: Year 11

Tia Samuels 11.5 for consistently demonstrating outstanding dedication to her studies, consideration and encouragement of all other pupils she works with/sits near plus uniform and punctuality.

Sejal Mistry 11.3 for sustained commitment and effort to her studies in all subjects to continually raise her potential and make progress over time.

KS5 Corner

Students are back from the very festive season of Christmas, and are now beginning to knuckle down for exams! Year 12 have also been given the opportunity to sign up for lectures from universities all across London, and many are excited to attend. For some it may be their first time going to a lecture, and others look forward to visiting a university of their preference. Moreover, those in the history department have the chance to take part in a trip to the Public Records Office and students are eager to look at Britain's social past. So far the year has been great, and pupils love being in the Claremont environment!

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