



Tuesday 19th December 2017



ROKEBY RECORDER

DARE TO BE THE BEST

Rokeby's Winter Concert

On Monday 18th of December, Rokeby's most talented creative arts students performed at the annual Winter Concert. Students from drama, dance and music entertained the audience with dramatic performances and renditions of hip-hop and festive medleys. Performers engaged the crowd with their outstanding stage presence and passion for creative arts.

The art department transformed the hall into a magical winter wonderland, adorned with glistening snowflakes and twinkling lights. Stand out performances included the newly formed Rokeby staff and student choir who made their debut with "Do You Hear". The highly acclaimed international professional dancer Keaton Edmunds who has performed across the globe, graced our Rokeby stage with his powerful presence and performed a classical piece of Hip-Hop Theatre.

Members from the drama club created an original, yet spooky, piece based on the Darkwood Manor. The performance certainly sent chills down the spines of our audience.

A really big thank you to our charming hosts Alfie and Ryan who captivated



the audience with their wit, humour and excellent Christmas jokes. Thank you to the Creative Arts team for putting on yet another fabulous show. We look forward to seeing you all at our Spring Concert in March.

Ms McWha, Music teacher



Happy New Year!

Over two lunchtimes Russian students prepared beautiful decorations for the Russian language class, to make the room more festive. It was a wonderful opportunity for students to share memories from last Christmas, to talk about traditions whilst listening to traditional Russian music. Cheerful energy attracted students from across the school and they talked about Christmas is celebrated in different countries.

Ms Dambrauskiene,
Russian Teacher



С наступающим Новым Годом!!!

Несколько дней (во время обеденного перерыва) десятиклассники готовили украшения для класса Русского языка. Это было веселое занятие,

так как все говорили о наступающих праздниках, делились радостными воспоминаниями, говорили о традициях, слушали редновогоднюю русскую музыку. Хорошее настроение привлекло много учеников из других классов тоже принял участие в этом и узнать много нового о традициях празднования Нового

Our Values: Respect, Success, Passion for Learning, Personal Challenge, Harmony

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK:

“We make a living by what we get. We make a life by what we give”

Wonder

DON'T JUDGE
A ~~BOY~~
BY IT'S COVER
his face

Read this book

On Tuesday 12th December a group of students from the Reading Group and Accelerated Readers went to see the brand new movie, Wonder. As we had read the book we were anticipating a lot of things from it. Wonder is about a boy with a facial deformation who is starting middle school (since it is set in America) and faces bullies, making friends and generally the hardships of life.

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It was an amazing movie especially when he took off his helmet, but I won't spoil it for you!

However, it was quite different to the book and many crucial parts were missed. This proves true the idea that a book is better than a movie! Even so, I would give wonder 4 ½ stars out of 5 as it was still riveting and emotional.

All in all, an excellent movie and a fun day out.

“You can't blend in when you're born to stand out”

Muhammed Huzaifa



**Wednesday
20th Dec**

Last day of term

**Wednesday
3rd Jan**

First day of term

**Wednesday
10th Jan**

Yr10 Exams

Rokeby are the Champions!

On Friday 8th December five Year 10 boys from Rokeby took part in the annual Pinsent Masons Debating Competition. Those boys were; Mir Tasin, Sohna Rator, Reece St John-Commey, Arnab Ghosh and Alfie Axford-Barlow. However, our journey did not begin on this day, the journey into this competition started in the classroom when five students gave their time in order to prepare a strong argument that they would in turn present to a disguised audience of City professionals including the chairs of companies, solicitors and a judge. Rokeby was one of eight schools who took part in the competition.



The judge announced Rokeby as the victors and in turn the overall winners of the competition. We each received a certificate, an award and a trophy for the school. The surprise of the day came when the judges announced that the boys had won £2,000 for the School! Well done!!

Ms O'Connor, AHT

Attendance & Punctuality

Best Attendance

9E – 100%

Best Punctuality

7B – 100%.

Did you know:

90% attendance = 1/2 day missed every week.

90% attendance over one school year = 4 whole weeks of missed lessons!

How is YOUR tutor group doing?

Year 9 Look To Make A Difference!

The year 9s are taking responsibility for Rokeby's Food Bank. Each class now has a dedicated food bank box in which year 9 students can donate as much as they can to ensure the food bank supplies do not run low, especially during the cold weeks ahead.



Ms D Ward, who is in charge of the food bank at Rokeby said “An enormous thank you to year 9. Rokeby's food bank has helped a lot of families. With year 9s initiative many more families will continue to receive this much needed support.”

We hope this project teaches us all positive life lessons and influences us to become better human beings.

Mr Bashir -Year 9 Coordinator

Decorating The Library Christmas Tree



The Student Librarian Team would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

WORD OF THE WEEK

This week our word of the week is ...

Unassuming

Can you find the meaning of this word and make a sentence? Once you have, come to the library and see Ms Hendrickson for an achievement point.