

A Message from the Principal

As we arrive at the end of another busy year here at Cromwell I would like to update you and thank you for your continued support.

The Building Schools for the Future (BSF) project and the new all-weather football pitch have been a long time in the planning, but I am pleased to be able to say that the football pitch will be operational and bookable from 1 September this year. This is a proud moment for us as this has come about through a genuine partnership of school, the Local Authority, Chatteris Town Council and the Football Association working together to provide a facility for the whole community.

As the builders of the pitch leave the site in July a new team will move in to begin the BSF construction project. Despite a cut in the original budget, we were lucky enough to see our project go ahead. Again with the support of the Local Authority, Chatteris Town Council and Fenland District Council we will see fantastic new facilities provided for both the pupils and the wider community. You can find more details of this on the College website – www.cromwellcc.org.uk.

All the new facilities will give our pupils and students the environment they deserve and need to develop the skills they require to meet the challenges of the 21st Century. Throughout the year all my colleagues, with your support, have been working hard to further improve the quality of the experiences we offer here at Cromwell. We have seen our standards rise in recent years and we are confident that the pupils will achieve what they deserve in the August results and we will continue the upward trend.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for all your support. I would also like to thank all my colleagues for their willingness to go the extra mile for the pupils.

This is the time of year when some choose to move onto new challenges and this year we say goodbye to Mrs Morse - Textiles, Mrs Creswick - Maths, Mrs Macdonald - Maths, Mr Bell – Languages, Ms Dalton – History, Mr Missin - Music and Mrs Fletcher – English. Mr. Horley has retired from teaching after 18 years at Cromwell and Mr. Wright has retired again. I thank each of them for their contribution to the life of Cromwell and wish them all the very best for the future.

I hope you all enjoy a restful and safe holiday.

G.J. Roberts
Principal

DATES TO REMEMBER

Term opens 6 September 2011

Check all calendar dates on the web page!

LEARNING RESOURCE CENTRE

WELCOME YEAR 6

Over 200 year 6 students from local Primary schools, enjoyed their first taste of Education at Cromwell, by spending a day in the Learning Resource Centre.



Year 6 used a map to locate areas of the LRC, used their alphabet to find Fiction books on the shelves and researched the history of Melville Dewey who designed the library classification system.

The students enjoyed the experience of eating in the school Café and ended the day at 2pm to return to their Primary schools.



Handwriting Competition



Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth , The Queen Mother's Handwriting Awards

1st Prize:
Elissia Bacon 7K

2nd Prize:
Tori Sharpe 7K



Librarians 2011

This term the following students have become trained Librarians!

Saffron Covill 7 C
Felicity Coleman 7S
Alice Jefferies 7C
Morgana Rudd 7P
Ellen Turner 7C



Thank you to everyone for all your hard work collecting enough Tesco Vouchers to order:

A Flip Video Camera
Two sets of Hockey Sticks
An A3 Laminator
Two Digital Cameras
Plus a set of rechargeable batteries



LRC Book Sale

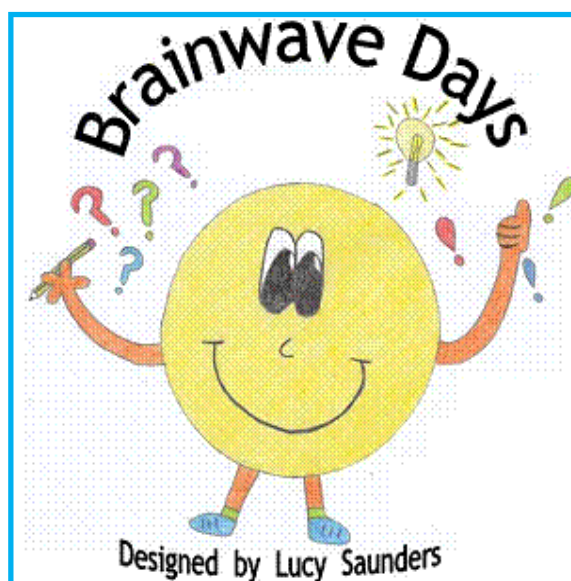
A book sale of old/unused stock was held for one week , all the money raised will go towards buying new magazines for September

PLTS—Brainwave Day!

All year 7 students were gathered in the South Hall for the launch of their latest Brainwave Day. Imagine their shock when an email from the Lord Mayor appeared on screen telling us we had to evacuate Chatteris because it is going to flood as a consequence of global warming. Imagine when Mrs Newell, who was representing the Mayor arrived to reinforce the message and ask for our help! Pupils spent the rest of the day trying to devise a new sustainable lifestyle for the people of Chatteris who were going to move to a remote island in a secret destination. Groups worked on making a water wheel so we could generate our own electricity, preparing food from the produce we knew would grow in our new home, designing houses and planning how to keep us warm. Other groups created a new national anthem, a flag and a set of rules for our new lifestyle. The day culminated in the Grand Exhibition when each group presented their plans. We were joined again by Mrs Newell and members of the Rotary club who helped us to assess the work and then to vote

The winning country was HP Source (H for Hope, P for Power)

The year 7 should be congratulated for all of their hard work during the day: they certainly learned that they are the future and that unless we do something about Global Warming and change the way we live then maybe one day there will be real email form the Mayor telling us to evacuate!



You can view the winning display in the LRC

Fundraising!

6TH FORM



Dear All

Thank you so much for all the hard work that you have put in to raising money for the Baraka Za Ibrahim School and Children's Centre in Kibera. We were delighted to come and receive the cheque from you on behalf of the Centre and to meet some of you again.

There are so many deserving causes all over the world these days and we know how hard it is to keep coming up with fresh ideas for fundraising, so we are very grateful that you chose to donate to a cause particularly close to our hearts.

As we mentioned, the money has been spent on bunk beds which have now been delivered to the new centre for younger orphans in Kamulu on the outskirts of Nairobi. We hope you like the photographs!

With many thanks on their behalf.

Yours sincerely

Sian & Mark Hugo
Artes Mundi



More Fundraising at Cromwell

Year 7 Chisikone Event

An update of Cromwell's links with Zambia as we near term end. We are in regular contact with both Chisokone Basic School and Riverview Basic School.

Chisokone has a new Headteacher following the retirement of Mr Mwansa. His deputy was Head for a while and a permanent appointment is yet to be finalised. Cromwell has arranged for some £600 of help to be sent this year – for books, stationery and sports/playground equipment. A visit to Chisokone proved impossible last year but arrangements are in place for such a visit next summer.

Riverview was visited last summer. A similar amount of money will be sent for the same purposes once bank details have arrived. A visit is planned for next summer.

Pupils have exchanged letters with Riverview and a second exchange went off today.

In terms of other activities this year, there was the Chisokone & Riverview Charity Day with Year 7 and this raised a grand total of **£956.95**

In addition, incoming pupil photographs, talks at various clubs and societies, Christmas plants, sale of pens, all helped raise funds.

So far Cromwell is up to £3,900 helping Chisokone and Riverview.



Year 9 MAGPAS Fundraising

Paige Greenslade, Ellie Watson, Georgia Mandley, Liam Crow, Jordan Tweed, Ivo Nootboom & Jake Belfield-Pearson decided to make 'Millionaire's Shortbread' to sell to staff and pupils.

They managed to raise £22.00 at 30p per slice. The pupils were really pleased with their efforts and really hope this can make a difference. We would like to do more to help.

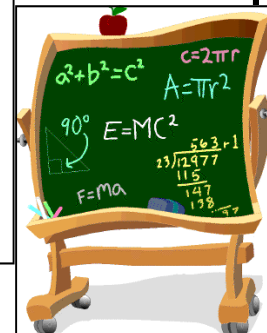


Maths & Music



Junior Maths Challenge 5th May 2011 Result

James Surtees, James Miller & Nicolas Ayres were the 2% invited to the next round. James Surtees received a Merit at European Level which puts him in the top 25% of the 2%.



The Rotary Club – Schools Make Music 2011 – Miss T's Review

On Thursday 31st March 2011, the annual *Schools Make Music* concert ended with rapturous applause for yet another year. This has long been an event that children, staff and parents want to be a part of due to its continued success. We owe a huge amount to the Rotary Club for organising this event year on year.

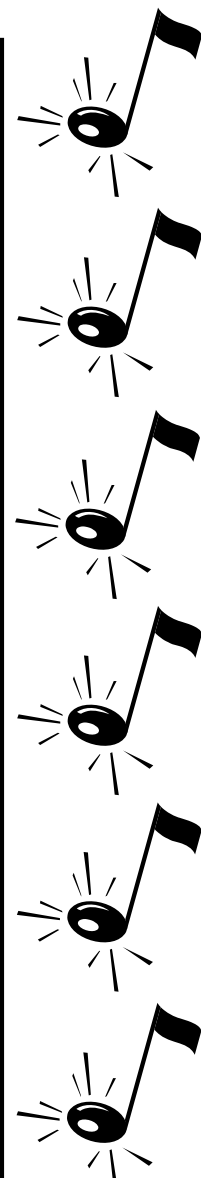
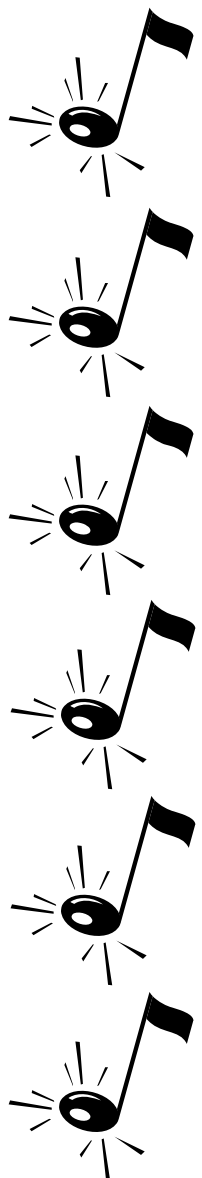
Children from Benwick, Kingsfield, Glebelands, Lionel Walden, Manea, Thomas Eaton and Cromwell Community College rehearsed meticulously for months before the concert took place to ensure that the concert maintained its high standards of singing and musicianship.

On the day, the 200 strong choir began rehearsals at 10am and practised the massed items as a whole group for the first time followed by individual school rehearsals to ensure everything was in place for the evening. The children were delightful and extremely well behaved – definitely a credit to each of the schools.

The concert was as smooth running as ever – the children unbelievably didn't show their nerves unlike staff that were sitting on the edge of their seats with fingers secretly crossed! Our Head Boy and Head Girl were fantastic throughout the night introducing each school to the stage. James and Ellie – you were both very professional for the duration of the evening and great hosts!

Cromwell Band and Totally Tuneful worked as hard as always in the run up to the concert with two rehearsals a week for choir. It is incredible to see a group of pupils pull together in order to get performances ready for a concert – their drive and enthusiasm never ceases to amaze me. Thank you to members of these ensembles – you know who you are!

My special thanks go to Tom Harlock for managing the sound desk for the day and night, the site staff for preparing the hall, our Head Boy and Head Girl for their fantastic compering of the evening and the Rotary Club for their continued support of young talents. Finally, huge thank you's to the older members of Cromwell band who stepped in at the last minute to boost Cromwell's rendition of *Walking on Sunshine*!!!



Places Cromwell Have Visited.....

January 2011

Northstowe—Geography Field Trip Year 11&12
 Etheldred House—Health & Social Care
 Showcase Cinema Attendance Trip 260+ Students
 Billy Elliot—Drama Trip



February 2011

Hitler on Trial
 Kettles Yard Art Trip Year 10/12
 Leaf Fall Project Day Cottenham Village College
 RE Conference - Ely
 Christ College Cambridge University Trip
 Cambridge University Language Programme Day —John Trim Centre

March 2011

Creative & Media 2 day Trip to The Sainsbury Centre Norwich
 Bassingbourne Residential
 Year 10 Cluster Day Newnham College Cambridge
 Cambridge Drama Wardrobe

April 2011

Woodgreen Animal Shelter
 The Hindu Temple

May 2011

Humanities Year 7 Trip to Ely
 Black Country Museum & Slavery Museum Year 8 Trip

June 2011

Battlefields Trip
 Year 7 Chatteris Medieval Festival
 Houghton Mill Year 10

July 2011

Swavesey Science Challenge Year 7/8/9
 Anglesey Abbey Year 7 Drama/History Trip
 Cambridge Arts Theatre Alarms & Excursions
 The Hari Krishna Temple
 Shrek The Musical
 Drayton Manor Year 8 Reward Trip 150+ Students
 Wicksteed Park Year 7 Reward Trip 130+ Students
 Cambridge Leisure Park Year 9 Reward Trip 100+ Students



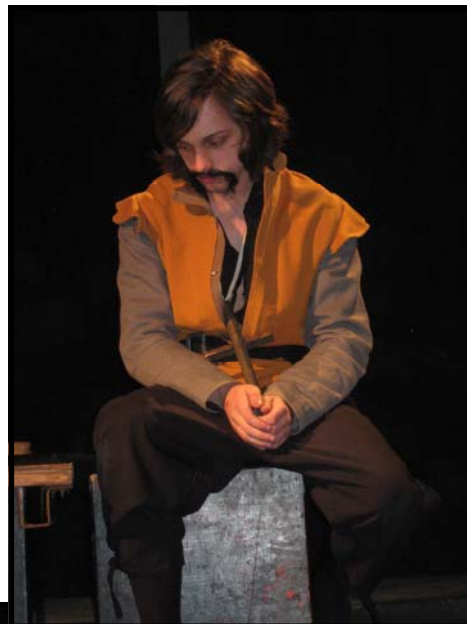
Drama—The Crucible

In April this year the Drama department mounted an ambitious project, to bring this modern classic to our stage. We had students from years 7 up to year 13, grappling with the complex play, Arthur Millers 'The Crucible'.



There was lots of positive feedback about our production, and it has inspired us to challenge ourselves once again to try a Shakespeare production to be performed in February 2012. This could be the first time that a Shakespeare play has been performed at Cromwell, but with our great group of committed students, led by a strong Sixth Form group, we feel confident that it will work well and look forward to another strong performance.

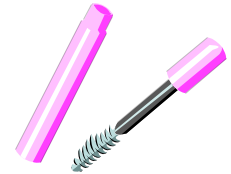
Mr McWilliams and Mrs Rudd



NVQ Level 2 Beauty Therapy Course

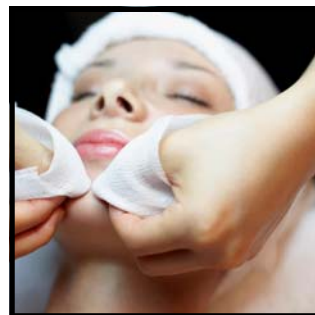


The Level 2 Beauty Therapy Course
will run again for the 3rd year.
(Subject to demand)



The course will include:
Facials, Manicure,
Pedicure, Waxing, Eye Treatments, Make Up,
Spray Tanning

Tuesday & Thursday Evenings
Cromwell Community College
6-9pm



On Completion of the above course successful students will be fully
qualified and be able to run their own Beauty Therapy Business
or work in a salon.

If you are interested, or require further
information regarding costs and content of the course
please contact Mrs S Morton on 01354 692193

Beauty

Mrs Stewart, who has successfully been running her own business for many years, spent the afternoon with the students demonstrating her nail art techniques, using different materials and her free hand designs.

This is the third year Mrs Stewart has given up her free time for the salon, and we would like to thank her for this. The students really enjoyed the experience.



OTHER NEWS!

8 Year 10 students visited Phoenix Hair and Beauty Wholesalers in March earlier this month. They spent the afternoon there looking at professional products, new ideas and different types of equipment used in the Hair and Beauty trade.

For the second year Sienna X, a professional spray tanning company visited Cromwell. They demonstrated to NVO level 2 students how to apply a spray tan. A most enjoyable evening was had by everyone and all students left with beautiful sun kissed tans and a certificate of competency.

6th Form News

The sixth form induction day took place on Wednesday 29th June. Students were welcomed to the day by Mr Varey, the new Director of Post 16 Studies, before moving onto a series of taster lessons in the subjects the students are intending to study in September. During the day the students spent time with their new tutors and met with current Sixth Form pupils.

A big thank you to Dan Brown and Natalia O'Gorman who delivered a short talk to the students about life in the Sixth Form. The day was a great success and the students are now excited about starting in September as a member of the Cromwell Community College Sixth Form.

Mr J Varey
Director of Post 16 Studies

DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY NEWS

Amazing items from rubbish!

During the Summer term Nikki DiGiovanni from Scrapstore UK visited the Technology department to give the students an insight into recycling. Year 10 students from Textiles, Graphic Products and Food Technology attended the event and were also joined by some enthusiastic Year 9s and Year 13s. Nikki showed the students how much waste is produced and how we can reduce this by recycling as many products as possible and what can be made from the most unlikely items.

Some students were then set the task of designing and making garments from recycled items. Year 9 and 10 Textiles students continued the project during their lesson time and even worked after school to complete garments. This was all done in preparation for the annual open day recycling event at Donarbon, a recycling plant in Waterbeach. The items were worn during a 'Trashion' show and were modelled by some year 6 students from Thomas Eaton Primary school.



Carnival Wear by Johanna Paice, Ellie Watson, Georgia Mandley & Emily Waddup

DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY NEWS

The Design and Technology department would like to thank Nikki DiGiovanni for giving up her time to help us and providing our textiles students with such a valuable opportunity. Also thanks to Miss Boyden, Mrs D Clarke, Mrs Allen and Mrs Morse for the time spent on running the project.



Stainless Metalcraft Visit

On Friday 1st July a group of Year 10 Level 1 & 2 Engineering students, Miss Boyden and Mr Harlock were given the opportunity to visit Stainless Metalcraft in Chatteris. This trip was planned in conjunction with 'Aim Higher' and gave the students a unique insight into the work of this local business.

The trip focused around CNC machining and gave students a chance to visit and use the new apprentice school. Working with the three current apprentices and the tutor, Mr. Riordan gave us the chance to ask important questions about apprenticeships and employment possibilities in our local area.

Using the simulator programme in the apprentice school we applied the basic controls we had learnt and produced simple shapes. We then used a pre-designed programme to produce a set of pliers each using the CNC Lathe and CNC Milling machine. We all enjoyed this and learnt a lot.



After the practical work Mr Riordan took us for a tour of the factory site and we got to see the scale of the work produced. We were all impressed at how far around the world some of the products go and none of us realised that Metalcraft was involved in the production of skeletons for MRI scanners.

All students gained a lot from this visit and were very grateful to Metalcraft for making time to spend with us and showing us around.

ATTENDANCE

We've had another fantastic year for attendance at Cromwell, and would like to say a huge thank you to all parents and carers who have supported us. In recognition of the hard work of our pupils, parents/carers and staff, Cromwell has been classified as 'Outstanding' for attendance by the School Improvement Partnership!

Our aim is for all pupils to achieve above 95% attendance. This year we have had an incredible 9% increase in the number of pupils achieving this, compared with last year's results, and a 3% increase in the number of pupils achieving 100% attendance. Below are our 'Rolls of Honour' for the pupils who have worked extremely hard to achieve 100% this year. Congratulations to you all!

Year 7

Nathan Blackmore
Daniel Buffham
Kundai Chizah
George Chrysanthou
Hope Cox
Kirstey Fuller-Rylance
Natasha Gillespie
Will Grant
Ellie Harrison
Rebecca Holt
Alice Jeffrey
Alex Kerse
Ethan Law
Ewan Macrae
Matthew Moore
Elizabeth Plumb
Jody Roberts
Morgana Rudd
Mark Samways
Brandon Sharp
Paulina Smolskaite
Rhiannon Stevenson
Alicia Wade

Year 8

Emily Allsopp
Matthew Barnes
Callum Chappell
Hannah Cooper
Harry Ford
Lily Ford
Holly Gamble
Callum Gibson
Joshua Gillespie
Lydia Kay
Tapiwa Mandebvu
Daniel Mason
Max Tovey
Will Tovey
Hannah Wallis
Chloe Watson
Jodi Wilson
Alice Wright

Year 9

Ashleigh Cooling
Leonardo Digiovanni
Kieren Dunstan
Rebecca Everitt
Casey Fresher
Angeleen German
Oliver Kerse
Tamar Knott
Cameron Nicholls
Carla Norman
Ashley Palmer
Samuel Pettican-Runnicles
Ciara Price
Jesper Scott
Ciaran Sharpe

Year 10

Kealan Adams
Harry Bradshaw
Sophie Bunting
Sian Chappell
Carrie Garner
Jessica Goodman
Grace Groves
Nicole Harlock
Samuel Hayes
Shannon Herbert
Frances Lee
Daniel McDermott
Kayleigh McEvoy
Curtis Newman
Benjamin Perry
Katie Roberts
Jack Shoemith
Ryan Smalley
Samuel Smy
Lauren Stevenson
Bethany West

Year 11

Luca Abraham
Rebecca Bailey
Sophie Bailey
Sharlene Barnes
Kerry Bryan
Rita Bussey
Kelley Chappell
Andrew Charter
Alice Donkin
Nathan Dunstan
Michael Fletcher
Jordan Garcia
Charlotte Griffiths
Jessica Hall
Kelly Howell
Kezia Kay
Zoe King
Jordan Lewis
Tatenda Maereka
Luke Oliver
Danielle Parkin
Nicole Parkin
Hollie Prime
Leanne Robinson
Shanice Setchfield
Kirsty Slyfield
Reece Welling

ATTENDANCE

A special mention needs to go to **Kelley Chappell**, **Andrew Charter** and **Nathan Dunstan** who have all achieved 100% attendance during their entire 5 years studying at Cromwell. This is a fantastic achievement which will no doubt have a positive impact on their further education and employment.

Our attendance reward scheme this year has so far included a trip for approximately 200 pupils to see *Gulliver's Travels* at the Showcase Cinema in January. We will also be inviting all pupils who complete this year with 99%+ attendance to Thorpe Park on the 24th September. Our usual destination for this trip is Alton Towers, however after conducting a survey of 2 registration groups from each year it was decided that it was time for a change of venue - plus we would like to see Mr Courtman attempt the 'Saw' ride!! All qualifying pupils will receive an invite at the beginning of September.

All that's left for us to say is thank you once again for your support and effort, have a fantastic Summer break, and we look forward to continued success next year!

Mrs Brittain
Attendance Officer

Miss Roberts
Assistant Principal

STAFF NEWS

Miss H Roberts (Assistant Principal) and Mrs L Cox (Administration Assistant/First Aider) both received their long service awards for 25yrs + service from County earlier this term. Miss Roberts has actually taught for 29 years in total. Her first 4 years were spent in Hinchbrook School in Huntingdon, and from there she came to Cromwell as a PE teacher. Miss Roberts then went on to organise PSHE and Careers Education (as it was then) before moving on to Science. Her main role now is Director of Learning for 11-14 and she is also responsible for Attendance and Child Protection. The ceremony was held at Shire Hall where presentations were made by the chair of Cambridgeshire County Council. Miss Roberts received a vase and Mrs Cox received 2 engraved cut glass tumblers. The ceremony was followed by refreshments.



Mrs Fraser—Head of Textiles, looking great after successfully losing two and a half stone in just 16 weeks with the help of Slimming World. She went on to become the cover star for the Slimming World magazine!

Well Done!!



Miss Vere & Mrs Redman completed Race For Life 2011

Josh's Hat Trick Double!

Josh Fox from 8C wrote himself into the Record Books by taking TWO hat-tricks in one innings. Not only did Josh take three wickets in three balls twice but he did it without conceding a run in two overs of pace bowling.

Josh plays alongside his Dad in Chatteris' third team and achieved this staggering haul playing for March Under 13s team in June.

Josh said "I was just bowling straight and aiming for their feet. I was gobsmacked. I never thought I'd get that many wickets in one game in my whole life. As soon as I got my hat trick everyone told me to get another.....so I did!"



Josh Fox pictured with ITN

Memorial Plaque



Abbie's verse for her brothers:

Our hearts ache with sadness
Tears they often flow
What it meant to lose you
No-one will ever know

Amazing Abbie Jacobs, Year 11 student, sister of Mitchell and Matthew Jacobs former Cromwell students, who were both killed in a car crash,

Received a plaque from Graham Wallace of JH Landin and Son, Funeral Directors

which hangs in the South corridor of Cromwell Community College

SPORT— RESULTS PAGE

Rounders

Cromwell v Witchford Sports
College

Yr7 Won 11 1/2 – 5
Yr 8 won 8 – 5
Yr 9 won 11 1/2 - 7 1/2

CCC won all!!

Sports Results V Neale Wade

Yr 7 Netball won 22-5
Yr 8 Netball won 52-1
Yr 9 Netball won 21-9

Yr 8 Football lost 4-1

Results V Witchford Sports college.

Yr 8 Netball won 27-2
Yr 9 Netball won 18-1

Yr 8 Football lost 3-1
Yr 9 Football lost 5-1

District Rounders Tournament Results

Yr 7 A team:

Beat CCC B by 8 1/2 to 5 1/2
Beat City of Ely by 4 1/2 to 3
Beat Witchford Sports College
by 9 1/2 to 5

Yr 7 B team:

Lost to CCC A by 5 1/2 to 8 1/2
Beat City of Ely by 7 1/2 to 6 1/2
Beat Witchford Sports College
by 11 to 8

Final standings

CCC A team District Champions
CCC B team Runners Up.

Brilliant girls!

Yr8 A team finished Runners Up in
District

Yr8 B team finished 4th.
Well played Yr 8.

We would like to thank all the girls
for their outstanding commitment
to practices throughout the summer
term, you have been a pleasure to
coach.

Mrs Russell and Mrs Oldfield.



On Friday the 28th January Cromwell Community College hosted its annual X-Country festival. The event was attended by Manea, Glebelands, Benwick and Kingsfield primary schools, the weather was freezing but the sun shone for the first time in weeks!

We opened the festival with the partnership Olympic dance which was led by two of Cromwell's Young

Ambassadors (Fay Mackenzie and Keri Hill). All the children joined in and hopefully by the end of the year I might even remember the moves!

The competition was divided into 2 races, a boys and girls race over a mile course, competing in teams of 8 with the first 6 scores counting. CCC Young Leaders were on hand to encourage; thanks to Cameron Hall, James Surtees and Kristian Brown for running the course twice with the juniors to help any children who were struggling. Holly Prime and Jessica Laws did sterling work on the timing and finish funnel.

The results were as follows:

Overall Winners; Glebelands

Runners Up; Manea

Winning Boys Team; Glebelands

Runners Up Boys Team; Manea

Winning Girls Team; Glebelands

Runners Up Girls Team: Draw between
Manea
and Kingsfield



Head Boy/Girl



HARRY BRADSHAW & SHANNON HERBERT



Throughout the last month, the process of Head Girl and Head Boy selection has been taking place. Having been through this process and being successful we have put together a short insight into the roles and procedures of becoming Head Boy and Girl.

Becoming Head Boy and Head Girl is a long process. There are several stages to it these are: First you write the Prefect application form. Adding that you would like to be Head Boy or Head Girl to the end of your form is advisable.

You then get an interview with one of the form tutors in your year or senior members of staff. You are asked several questions about your application form and other questions that show you are interested in the position.

You then have to be nominated by members of staff, and five boys and five girls are chosen. After this, you have to produce a presentation about why you would like to be Head Boy or Head Girl, and do it in front of Mr Roberts, Mr Robinson, Your Head of Progress and the previous Head Boy and Girl. Just to warn you-(This is the scary part!)

You then have to wait. It seems like forever, but it's only a few hours! This is when you get the good news. But, not getting the position is not a failure; you should feel very proud of yourself. Just being nominated is a privilege!

To become the Head Boy and Head Girl you will need several qualities:

Confidence is key, if you're not confident in yourself, then there is no point in being there.

You will need strong leadership qualities, and skills.

Having a good attitude to teachers and students is also very important.

You must be responsible, and mature.

Being willing to take part in everything and achieve your potential is also important.

Working as a team and motivating a team is one of the main roles of becoming a senior prefect/ Head Boy and Head Girl.

There are also big responsibilities of being the Head Boy and Girl:

Attend community events such as the Remembrance Service.

To represent the school.

To make speeches in front of pupils, parents, and teachers.

To help choose the prom and yearbook committees.

To assign people to places in the duty team.

To be a positive role model for younger year groups to look up to.



ALEX PAWLEY & KRISTIAN BROWN – DEPUTY HEAD BOYS



SAFFRON SAUNDERSON & AIMEE BEACHER – DEPUTY HEAD GIRLS

MATTHEW HALMSHAW, ALEX MACRAE, CHERRY COOKE & CHELSEA MILLER were not successful for the senior posts but will be given Senior Prefect titles