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## A NOTE FROM - Trevor Jones

One of the noticeable aspects of England's recent success in the Six Nations rugby competition has been the insistence, after each match, on what can be improved for the next match. Undoubtedly, this relentless focus on on-going improvement as a working principle has been a significant factor in England's progress over the last 12 months.

It is similar in school. Over the last few years, we have put in place a range of strategies to identify clearly the strengths on which we can build, and the areas which we need to improve. This was recognised in the inspection of 2009, when the school was graded as having good capacity for further improvement. Since then we have continued to develop the range, accuracy and impact of our self-evaluation strategies. For example, subject leaders and heads of house now evaluate the performance of their teams, both individually and collectively, against a range of criteria; the senior leadership team undertake a rolling programme of specific evaluations; the Governing Body now have a sub-committee dedicated to quality assurance, reviewing the school's self-evaluation; and we regularly seek the views of students and parents as to their perceptions of the school's performance.

All of this is of no use if we do not link in the conclusions of our evaluations to the 'so what' factor; 'so what are we going to do about it?' What is exciting talking to staff around the school is the passion for creating ever more effective provision for our students. This is also about applying our ASPIRE agenda; striving for great things through engaging with on-going improvement as a working principle.



**7:30pm  
April 28th**

**ROY LOWRY  
PYROMANIA**

The name gives it away – this demonstration lecture is an excuse to set fire to just about anything!  
The lecture will also include video footage of setting a Guinness World Record™.

**TICKETS ARE FREE. SEE BACK PAGE FOR DETAILS**





# LYSISTRATA WORKSHOP

On Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2011 the AS and A2 Drama students took part in a workshop led by David Stuttard from 'Actors of Dionysus.' The A2 students are studying Lysistrata for their Unit 4 written examination in which they are required to come up with their own overall production concept for the play. In the workshop the students learnt about different rehearsal techniques and gained knowledge of the concept of the play.

*"The workshop was fun and varied."*  
**Steven Rose**

*"It provided a detailed insight into the understanding of the play."*  
**Anthony Hamlyn**

*"I liked the idea of choral movement. It is definitely something I will refer to in my exam."*  
**Jessica Stewart**



# A MURDER, A SUICIDE AND A NEAR MISS

On Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2011 the Drama Club staged their first performance to an outside audience.

The performance of 'A Murder, A Suicide and A Near Miss' is an adaptation of Othello written by Alison Chapman. The play tells the story of corruption and heart break surrounding the rule of Othello.

The cast of 21 students have been preparing for the performance during their weekly lunch time meetings, since October. The performance attracted a sell out audience and captured the emotion and comedy of the piece beautifully.

The drama club, run by Mrs Mazgaj and Mrs Fraser, meet at Wednesday lunchtimes in the Drama Studio.





# SCHOOL COUNCIL MEET LOCAL MP



Chris Heaton-Harris Conservative Member of Parliament for Daventry visited school on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March. After a brief tour with Mrs Anne Jeffery (Governing Body) , Mr Heaton Harris met with the School Council and gave them a brief insight in to his work and then answered questions on a range of topics including:

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| Defence cuts  | The Big Society |
| Education     | EMA             |
| Afghanistan   | University fees |
| Libya         | MP's expenses.  |
| 2012 Olympics |                 |

Mr Heaton – Harris asked if the School Council would give some thought to and discuss the traffic concerns in Moulton at their next meeting as he would value their opinions.

It was a very interesting and enjoyable afternoon and the pupils appreciated Mr Heaton – Harris giving up his time to speak to them.



## YEAR 10 PERFORMANCE EVENING

On the evenings of 25<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> January 2011 the Year 10 drama students performed their mock Unit 3 performances. The Year 10 students had selected and directed the performances themselves. The audience enjoyed a range of work from 'Be My Baby' which tells the story of young pregnant girls sent to mother and baby homes in the 1960's, to 'Blood Brothers' (featured in the photo) which follows the journey of twins separated at birth.

Each night attracted sell out audiences. The work was incredibly well received and the students thoroughly enjoyed the experience. Important lessons were also learnt in preparation for the students' final Unit 3 performances which will take place in May next year.

We would like to thank the friends and families of our students for their support on this occasion.

**Mrs Fraser**





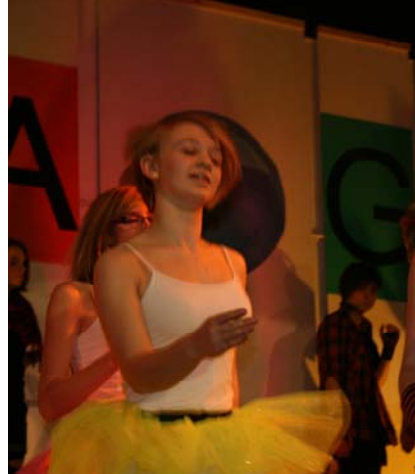
This year's school production "We Will Rock You" was an astounding success. With an electric atmosphere throughout the show, and a standing ovation at the end, the hard work and commitment by everyone who took part in putting on the performance was truly reflected in the response from the appreciative audience.



It wasn't only the sterling performances from Cameron O'Ware, Hannah Rothwell, Robyn Cullingford-Agnew, Olivia Toal, Callam Green and the rest of the cast, but also the special efforts of George Ham and Lewis Bowen who created the sets with Mr O'Neill and Ed Osbourne and Charlotte Bradley who expertly handled the stage management on the night, that really brought the whole night together.

Well Done to all those involved.







# PITSFORD 7'S RUGBY TOURNAMENT

On Saturday 02/04/11 Moulton School rugby team entered the Pitsford 7's rugby tournament. After weeks of training the lads were eager to put their skills into practice and show the opposition that were not there to simply make up the numbers. The last time this team entered this tournament was 2009 where they found themselves up against more organised and skilful opponents. Ever since that day the team have vowed to return and defeat their demons.

Moultons' first game was against the athletic Bishop Stopford School from Kettering. Moulton set their stall out early and after a number of good passes and switches of direction Reece Henderson scored in the corner. More was to follow when Elliot Spindler caught the opposition napping to score under the posts. Henry Rawlings added the extras. Moulton then went into their shells and allowed Bishop back into it. They could have even lost at the death but for a try saving tackle from the robust George Faulkner who knocked Bishops strongest runner over the dead ball line before he could place the ball. A lucky start but a start no less.

## **MOULTON SCHOOL- 12 BISHOP STOPFORD-7**

There wasn't much time for Moulton to relax as they had another game in quick succession. This was made even worse as they were playing the game on a considerably larger pitch than that of the other teams in the other pool.

Moultons next opponents were going to be a difficult challenge but for a whole set of different reasons. The majority of the Moulton team play club rugby for the Northampton Casuals and guess who they had to play? You guessed it, the Casuals.

Moulton decided to play an open game against the much bigger Casuals team which paid off as they ran out 33-0 winners with Adam Berry, Reece Henderson, George Faulkner and Harley Swan (adding two) scoring tries.

## **MOULTON SCHOOL-33 CASUALS-0**

Moultons' next opponent was Champion School in the last game of the pool. This was to decide who went through as group leaders to play the runners up from the adjacent pool.

As in the first game Moulton got out of the blocks early scoring 2 quick tries through Harley Swan and George Faulkner (both converted by Faulkner). However, they went into self destruction again but this time could not come up with a try saving tackle. Champion scored with the last play of the game to finish top of the group and once again break Moulton hearts.

## **MOULTON SCHOOL-14 CAMPION-17**

Moulton had finished runners up in the group and faced a semi final against the tournament favourites Kettering RFC.

If this was a boxing match then it would have been between the good looking, tidy boxer from a plush gym (Kettering) against the scruffy, brawler like boxer from the streets (Moulton). However, Kettering turned up and refused to rumble allowing Moulton to exert their fast paced and aggressive play on them. Moulton ran out 17-10 winners with George Faulkner scoring 2 tries and 1 conversion. The last mention of the game must go to Ben Jones who sealed the victory with a barn storming run down the wing swatting off defenders as if they were dust particles on the shoulders of his favourite dinner suit.

## **SEMI FINAL**

## **MOULTON SCHOOL- 17 KETTERING RFC- 10**

Hoorah, Moulton had made the final but whom lay ahead of them? The 2011 final was to be against Moultons' arch nemesis, Champion School.

10 men started the day and 10 men, battered and bloodied stood at the steps of their destiny, steps that could lead to immortality.



Before the game Moulton made a vow to each other that they were going to do what it takes to defeat Champion and leave nothing on the pitch and boy did they deliver. From the kick off Moulton started aggressively and showed some deft skill and accurate finishes. They did not give Champion a chance to get going and constantly batted away attacks like a strong harbour wall stopping the big waves set to over run them. George Faulkner played like a man possessed and scored 2 early tries but unlike years gone past other players stood up and began to be counted. Jesse Lancaster and Elliot Spindler both scored tries and with time running out Champion made 1 last ditch effort to score. They did but it was all too late, the fat lady had started singing and Moulton were champions.

**FINAL**

**MOULTON SCHOOL- 24 CAMPION SCHOOL-12**

All players were superb and represented Moulton School excellently. A special mention must go to Connor Kimble who was nominated player of the tournament by the Moulton team and coaching staff.

**WINNING SQUAD**

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|-----------------|-----------------|
| Jesse Lancaster | Harley Swan     |
| George Faulkner | Henry Rawlings  |
| Reece Henderson | Elliot Spindler |
| Connor Kimble   | Adam Berry      |
| Lewis Moran     | Harry Brown     |
| Ben Jones       |                 |



**YR 7 V CAROLINE CHISHOLM SCHOOL (CUP SEMI-FINAL) – TUESDAY 29 MARCH**

A depleted but buoyant team arrived at Caroline Chisholm for their cup semi final knowing that only an outstanding performance would give them a chance of making the final. The first half was one of grit, determination and a fair bit of good luck after CCS recognised the pain of Frank Lampard and England fans across the land, when a long range shot rebounded off the crossbar and beyond the goal line, only for the referee to wave play on. In the heart of Moulton’s defence Jack Riley and Jude Hillier always did just about enough to manfully repel the CCS onslaught.

After some half time reorganising and words of encouragement, Moulton started the second half brightly and began to win the midfield battle with Charlie Lloyd and Chase Fowler pressing the opposition to regain possession and set up counter-attacks. With 15 minutes to go, it was time for Magic Moment #1 – after CCS only half cleared the ball from their 18 yard box, Chase Fowler let rip with a stunning 25yd effort that left the keeper flapping at thin air. Moulton puffed out their chests and pressed on. Magic Moment #2 – Harry Jackson slid the ball into the right back channel for a galloping Jonathan Foster, who smashed the ball purposefully and with assurance into the left hand side of the goal – cue scenes of ecstatic jubilation! However, there was still time for Magic Moment #3. Harry Jackson stepped up to take a corner kick – his delivery was so devastating that the ball curled directly into the net! (good to see that training ground practice pays off on the big match day).



# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



## April

26th	All Years	School Re-opens	8:45am
28th	Year 7	Parents Evening	4:30pm
28th		Science College Public Lecture	7:30pm
29th	All Years	Closed for Bank Holiday (Royal Wedding)	
18th	Years 9 & 10	Interim Profiles	
24th		Science College Public Lecture	7:30pm

## May

2nd	All Years	Closed for Bank Holiday	
6th	Year 12	Interim Profiles	
13th	Year 12	Study Leave Begins	
13th	Years 8,9,10	Interim Profiles	
19th	Year 10	Parents Evening	4:30pm
27th	Year 7	Interim Profiles	
27th		School Closes	3:15pm
27th	Year 11	Study Leave Begins	3:15pm

# PYROMANIA

## Thursday 28th April 7:30pm

The lecture will be held at Moulton School,  
 Pound Lane, Moulton  
 For your FREE tickets email:  
[lecturetickets@moultonschool.co.uk](mailto:lecturetickets@moultonschool.co.uk)  
 Alternatively you can contact the school on  
 01604 641600

