



# The Clarionette

## 10 Great Things this Fortnight

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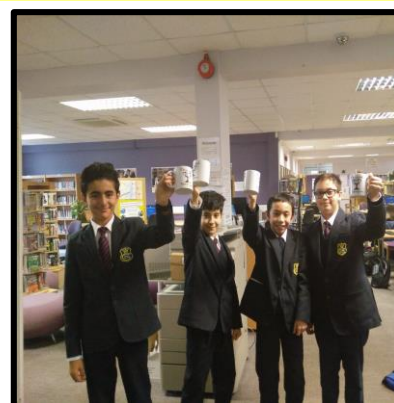
1. A massive well done to Nurhan El Sahib who represented the School at the Jack Petchey Speakout Challenge final on Tuesday 7th February. It was an incredibly high standard and Nurhan gave a thought-provoking and original speech (photo to the right)
2. 2<sup>nd</sup> February saw an evening of celebration at the Jack Petchy Awards at the Brent Civic Centre. We are delighted to have 5 students who were awarded at the ceremony and it was wonderful to see them being recognised for their outstanding efforts and achievements (photo bottom right)
3. Congratulations to the 9 students who exceeded their external estimate and achieved an A\* in their recent PE assessments, taking into account their coursework and practical assessments. This will contribute to their overall GCSE grade at the end of the year.
4. On Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February, The Science Museum team came into school to deliver an educational Science show, entitled 'Danger, High Voltage!' to all year 7 pupils as well as learning about a range of other elements relating to electricity. This is part of 'Building Bridges', a collaborative project with the museum. Claremont is proud to be one of only 20 school across the country selected to take part (image below)
5. On Wednesday 1st February, some of the Year 9 pupils took a trip down to Sainsbury's to understand maths in real life. They conducted an exciting 'Supermarket Sweep' challenge to understand concepts like ratio, proportion, weight, money and best buys. The pupils really enjoyed the trip and were able to get a real sense of the maths they had just learnt in the classroom.
6. Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February was the much anticipated Poetry and Drama Festival at Claremont High School Academy. The evening saw an amazingly varied display of talent from across years 7 and 8 with wonderful recitals of pupils' own poetry, as well as short drama performance. More details of the show plus photos in the next edition.
7. On Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> and Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February all year 11 graphics students will be completing their GCSE practical assessments. They will be examined on all work completed in this time and this will contribute to their final GCSE grade at the end of the year.
8. Thursday 2nd February was Harry Potters Book Night. To celebrate we held a Harry Potters quiz for year 7s and 8s in the library. Please see photo to the left of the proud winners, who scored an amazing 19 out of 20 questions. They are Paul Feduic, Firoz Wong, Ali Abbas and Arya Bazari, all in 7.7. The atmosphere was buzzing, with 32 students taking part.
9. Last week Claremont's U14 and U16 boys' badminton teams qualified as Brent champions for the West London phase of the London Youth Games. In a very high standard competition, both teams narrowly (literally by a few points) missed out on reaching the LYG Final held at Crystal Palace.
10. Following the mock exams, English conducted a series of re-sit assessments for students who were not meeting their target of getting a grade 5 or above. We are delighted that 78% of these students have now achieved a secure grade 5 or above, a very pleasing increase of over 30%. We will continue to support all students in reaching their full potential in the English exams.



### News in Education

This Week: Helping your child be organised for school (especially useful for parents of year 7)

[http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/parents/secondary\\_support/](http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/parents/secondary_support/)

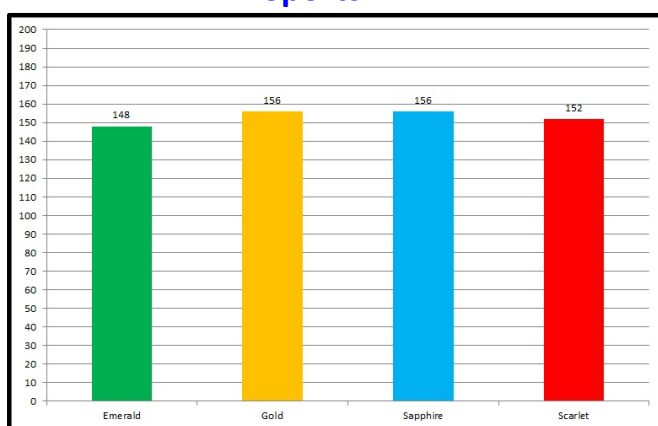




## College Competitions



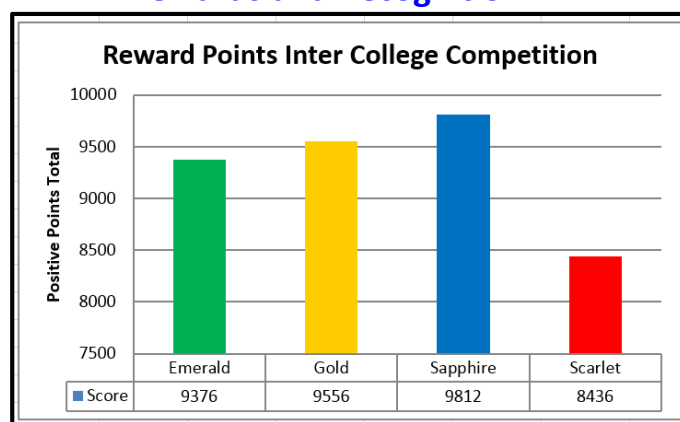
**Sports**



The inter college sport competition continues to be the closest competition we have ever seen with just 8 points separating **Emerald** in 4th and joint leaders **Gold** and **Sapphire**



**Rewards and Recognition**



Another very positive term for students sees the final scoreboard start with Scarlet in 4th place, followed by Emerald in 3rd who have been overtaken by Gold now in 2nd place and Sapphire continue to reign as champions in 1st place. Over 37,180 reward points have been awarded by staff this academic year and the most points were rewarded by Ms Latimer, Mr Henry and Ms Pavlopoulos. Thanks to staff for continuing to log points and well done to all pupils. Keep up the good work and effort. - Ms Green

### Pupil Commendations:

#### Year 8

**Vashista Kosuru 8.3:** He is an excellent student in behaviour, attitude and enthusiasm. He is always respectful towards teachers and peers.

**Thomas Sewell in 8.5** received the Jack Petchey award last week and he definitely deserves the recognition.

*KS3 Book of the fortnight*  
'The Penguin Lessons' by Tom  
Michell



*KS4 Book of the fortnight*  
'Wonder' by R.J Palacio

### KS5 CORNER

As students begin to unwind as the half term approaches, many in Year 12 are also applying for the brilliant opportunity of becoming Head Boy/Girl. Apprehension is in the air as many wonder who will be shortlisted for the final spaces. Others in Year 12 have opted for the prefect course- choosing to either become Curriculum; Charity; Student Voice or Sport Ambassadors prefects. Moreover, those in Year 13 have been given the dates of their prom- some have even bought their outfits for the day already- and look forward to their last day with their classmates.

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