



Fred Longworth High School



CHRISTMAS 2005 NEWSLETTER

Merry Christmas

On behalf of all Staff and Governors I would like to wish all our families and friends a very happy Christmas and an excellent year in 2006.

2005 has been a good year for the school and I would like to thank everyone - students, staff, Governors and Parents for their support and hard work. It has been much appreciated.

A. Colley
Headteacher

END OF YEAR

Term ends on Wednesday 21st December, which will be an Activities Day. All students should be back in school for 1.30 p.m. when they will be allowed home. Lunch will be available for those students with dinner passes. Please ensure that transport arrangements are in place to accommodate this.

START OF SPRING TERM

The term starts on Wednesday 4th January 2006 at 8.35 a.m. promptly.





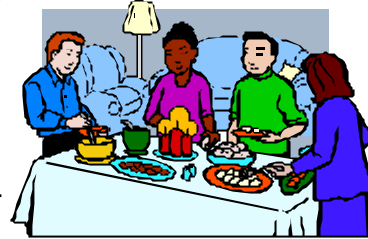
SENIOR CITIZENS PARTY



This year's Senior Citizens Party took place on Wednesday 14th December.

During the afternoon the Senior Citizens were entertained by students from Fred Longworth High School and the school's Brass Band.

They were treated to a an exquisite buffet, thoughtfully prepared by the NVQ catering team.



A big thank you and well done to all staff and students involved in making this afternoon a huge success.

L. Rowley



DANCE WORKS AT THE LOWRY

Ten Fred Longworth High School students have been invited to perform in dance works at The Lowry on Sunday 5th February 2006.

This event involves groups from across Greater Manchester and our group will be representing Wigan.

Well done to our students!

For further information on the event please contact Miss Rowley on 01942 883796



DATES FOR THE NEW TERM

Year 9	Parents Evening	Wednesday	11th January
Year 11	Parents Evening	Thursday	19th January
Year 9	Options Evening	Thursday	26th January
Year 9	Options Interviews	Week Commencing	Monday 30th January
Staff Training Day	Friday 17th February (School closed for students)		
Half Term Holiday	Monday 20th February - Friday 24th February (inclusive)		
Year 8	Parents Evening	Thursday	16th March
Year 7	Parents' Evening	Tuesday	4th April
Progress Review Day	Friday 7th April - Students attend by appointment		
Easter Holiday	Monday 10th April - Friday 21st April (inclusive)		

DANCE NEWS

It has been a busy term for Freddie Dancers. Here is a taste of the action

Students in Year 10 have been fortunate enough to work alongside two of the country's most famous classical and modern dance companies - English National Ballet and Rambert.



In studying the GCSE set work 'Front Line', Year 11 students attended a lecture demonstration at the Royal Northern College of Music and a further performance of the Henri Oguike Dance Company at The Lowry.

The boys have also been busy working with Protein Dance Company and watching their live show. The highlight for everyone definitely has to be 'Stomp'. A fantastic show - not to be missed!!

Aimhigher...

FIX-UP SEMINARS

We were lucky to have Jackson Ogunyemi from FIX-UP Seminars in school on the 10th November. He worked during the morning with the Aimhigher Cohort and led an assembly for the whole year group in the afternoon.

Jackson has been running FIX-UP (Focus Into Xtraordinary Untouched Potential) for about five years. He tours the country delivering sessions on SATS and GCSE preparation, motivation and confidence building in education and in the business world.

Jackson is extremely enthusiastic about his work and is able to pass this on to the students. He talks about how everyone is a diamond and should have the confidence to show their 'diamond self' to other people. They must not let anyone put them down, they must believe in themselves and their abilities. The session was very positive and extremely funny, below are some comments from the students involved.

Student Comments

*'it made me think more'
'he made it fun'*

*'it shows we should be confident'
'it has made me more interested in studying'*

THE B-FILES: A GUIDE TO CHRISTMAS

Here is our list of the top ten books to buy your mates for Christmas, as recommended by the B-Files books club:

1. *'The Devil's Footsteps'* by E. E. Richardson
2. *Any of the Alex Rider books* by Anthony Horowitz
3. *'Mortal Engines'* or *'Predator's Gold'* by Philip Reeve
4. *Any of the Lemony Snicket books*
5. *Any of the Artemis Fowl series* by Eoin Colfer
6. *Anything by Philip Pulman* e.g. his *Dark Materials* trilogy or any of the *Sally Lockhart* books.
7. *'Montmorency'* by Eleanor Updale
8. *Anything by Garth Nix* e.g. the *Abhorsen* trilogy or *'Grim Tuesday'*
9. *Anything by Terry Pratchett* e.g. *'The Amazing Maurice'*
10. *Any of the Erin Hunter Warrior series* e.g. *'Into the Wild'* or *'Fire and Ice'*

Mrs. Waterworth



DISCO DANGERS TAKE EURO TITLE

Teenagers Rebecca Shaw and Rachael Dutton have danced away with a European title. The girls, who met at the 180 Dance & Fitness Centre, have lifted the U/16 Intermediate Pairs Section at the European Disco Championships in Prestatyn. Rebecca 13 and Rachael 15 who have been dancing together for 18 months also collected third spot in the Rock and Roll section.

Rebecca has been dancing for 10 years and Rachael for 7 years and both girls also take part in solo and slow dance.

Their mums also competed in the Disco section.

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Winmarleigh for Year 7 was great

I was so proud of each and everyone

New skills, new knowledge gained during the frosty day

Many new friendships started

As wood for shelters we carted

Running up ladders, ropes and trees

Laughing, giggling and hurting our knees

Eating sausages breakfast, lunch and tea

I must not forget the Talent Show we laughed with glee!

Great memories of what we had done

Home at last, tired, very tired but oh what fun!!