



With the students now enjoying a week off between Terms 2 and 3, we wanted to take the opportunity to provide an update on news from Bishopstrow:

Fundraising for Comic Relief



Red Nose Day for Comic Relief is scheduled to take the UK by storm on Friday 24 March. With Term 2 ending on Friday 17 March, the College organised a number of fundraising events to add to the End of Term fun! These included a Sponge Throw, where students were able to throw a wet sponge at staff, a 'Nosey Bake Sale', with a range of cakes made or decorated by the students for sale and a Red Non-Uniform day. Altogether, over £100 was raised for Comic Relief.

Sports Update

We continue to provide regular opportunities to represent the College in a variety of sports against other local schools. In February, the Middle Boys narrowly lost a football match against Sherborne International College, whilst the Middle Girls took part in the County Basketball Competition, with four matches against other Wiltshire schools.



Academic Summer Programme – New Study Skills Module

We are delighted to announce that this summer, the Academic Summer Programme will include a new 'Study Skills' module for senior students (aged 14-16 years), with an upper intermediate level of English (Level B2 on the Common European Framework). 'Study Skills' is designed to provide an excellent preparation for international students before they commence their GCSE, A Level studies or the IB Diploma Programme at a mainstream school.

The Study Skills timetable will comprise 30 hours of academic tuition and 7.5 hours of supervised prep. Students will study the following subjects: English, Science, Mathematics, Statistics, Humanities and Art and will benefit from weekly tutorials.

Students will develop skills in academic English at IELTS Level 5.5 to 6.5, with a focus on applying reading, writing, speaking and listening techniques to the study of a range of subjects at an advanced level. They will learn how to transfer their academic language skills to the study of three fields of Science, Applied Maths and Statistics, and Humanities subjects, with the opportunity to enhance their creative and reflective skills during weekly art sessions.

There are still places available in Term 4 and for the Academic Summer Programme. Further details can be found at www.bishopstrow.com/academic-summer-programme

IGCSE Programme Success

The first cohort of students on the 1 Year IGCSE Programme (launched in September 2016) are enjoying a well-earned rest, after a busy term of study, which included mock examinations in February. In addition to making progress with their studies, we are delighted to confirm that they have had some notable success in securing places for Sixth Form entry at Cheltenham Ladies College, Charterhouse and Bradfield College. Olena Bordakova, one of our Year 11 students reveals more at www.bishopstrow.com/student-testimonials

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