

Dear Parents/Carers



I am pleased to report that we expect the refurbishment of the Sixth Form Common Room and the new KS5 classrooms to be completed by the end of half term. This will mean our Year 12 and 13 students finally have more space and improved study areas and facilities. The cafe in the Sixth Form area is working well. We are installing WiFi in the Sixth Form building as well as the Library and the Dalo so that students can access the network for private study and research. We'll be celebrating the completion of the building with its official opening on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December by Steve Brown, Captain of the 2012 British Paralympic Rugby Team. This will be followed by our awards ceremony for our current Year 12 students. Once again, I want to thank the Year 12 and 13 students for their patience over the delayed provision of the new facilities.



**Steve Brown**

*Captain of the 2012 British Paralympic Rugby Team*

## PARENT SURGERIES Wednesdays 4.30pm - 6.30pm

Thank you to those parents who have already attended my Wednesday afternoon surgeries. These have been really edifying, enabling me to discover areas for improvement of our practice, especially in terms of differentiation to meet all of our students' needs. Some parents have also come along with helpful suggestions about other ways to improve the life of the school.

**If you would like a 15 minute slot one Wednesday, please ring Reception to book.**

## Year 7 5-a-side Football Tournament at Charles Darwin School

With thanks to Ms Bush, Head of PE



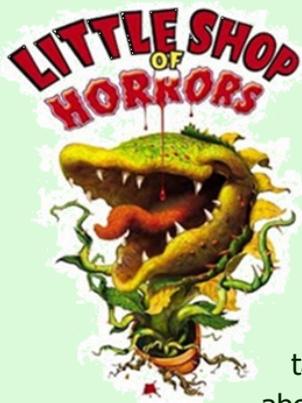
Our new Year 7 5-a-side football team has made a fantastic start to the year. Coaches Mr. Maisey and Mr. Boden selected seven players who had stepped up from the primary school youth system to represent LPGS and they were magnificent.

They won their matches against Beaverwood, Bullers Wood, Charles Darwin and Ravensbourne, scoring 19 goals altogether. Only Hayes managed to defeat them.

Star players were Mia Fallon, Mia Quinton, Imogen Shaw, Ella Slater, Megan Schofield, Sophie Aliwell and Bex Cooper. Well done every player!

## Former Langley Park Student turns *Theatre Producer*

A former Langley Park student helped produce a new play, 'City Love' set on a south London night bus. Anna Landreth Strong, who is a producer in The Orange Line Collective theatre company as well as a project coordinator at the Victoria and Albert Museum, told the *News Shopper* 'I remember I was so excited when I got into Langley Park, I didn't want to have to go to school with boys. It was a very formative period and I had a really inspiring teacher...' Her advice to young people who want to break into careers in theatre is 'You should pick a project you care about and are inspired by. You are going to give a lot of time to it and it's important you believe in it.'



## Don't miss **LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS**

Evening performances

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> and Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2013**

This musical production involves students from years 8 to 13, both on the stage as well as backstage, costume design and technicians. The musical is a dark comedy/spoof of a 1950's B movie, set in downtown New York and is about an alien monster plant who wants to take over the world. The plant 'appears' and is taken by Seymour to the flower shop where he works. At first the shop, which was about to close, suddenly becomes successful. Seymour becomes a gardening celebrity and, the girl he loves, Audrey, notices him. As the musical goes on, we realise there is a big and nasty price to pay for all of this success. The music is by Alan Menken, composer of *The Little Mermaid* and *Pocahontas*. The performances will start at 7.00pm and will take place in the LPGS Main Hall.

Tickets for these three evenings are £6 for adults and £3 for concessions, including students in full time education. You can buy tickets from the school reception from November 4th. There are unlikely to be tickets on the door as the tickets sell out quickly.

Best wishes

**Anne Hudson**