

BRUTON

SUMMER 2022

The Sexeian

NEWSLETTER



SEXEY'S
SCHOOL



WELCOME

to our End of Summer Term Newsletter with a summary of some of our activity over the last couple of months.

It was great to see so many of you at our Speech Day. We were delighted to once again be able to invite parents into school to celebrate all the achievements of our students.

It was a real pleasure to welcome Charlie Mayhew MBE, Co-Founder & CEO of Tusk Trust who addressed the school and presented all the students with their awards.

We've had a lovely last week of term, with sports activities, trips out of school to Longleat, Thorpe Park Park and more, and our widening experience day which saw students taking part in a variety of activities from martial arts, lasertag, archery and trips out.

I wish you all a restful Summer holiday and look forward to seeing our Y11 and Y13s on exam results days.

Helen Cullen, Headteacher



LOWER SCHOOL STUDENT LEADERS

We are delighted to announce our Lower School student leadership team for the academic year 2022/23. A huge congratulations to Matilda A and Dan S, Heads of Lower School, and Abigail B, Deputy Head of Lower School, and their team of Senior Prefects Declan P, Daisy H, Eleanor W and Elliot M.

Year 12 student *Jemima S* has been accepted onto the BA Hons Degree in Ballet and Contemporary Dance at Rambert School in London.



Jemima, an incredibly committed and talented dancer, will leave us a year early to join Britain's oldest dance company.

Fuelled by innovation and creativity, Rambert School plays a key part in the professional dance sector, shaping new generations of dance professionals to the highest standard.

Jemima said "I would like to say a big thank you to Mrs Cullen and all the staff at Sexey's who have supported me through my training over the last 5 years! I'm really looking forward to starting my next chapter this September so once again thank you to everyone!"



A day of celebration for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee

The school took part in a collective morning service and a 5k colour walk on Friday 1st July as part of the school's Platinum Jubilee celebrations.

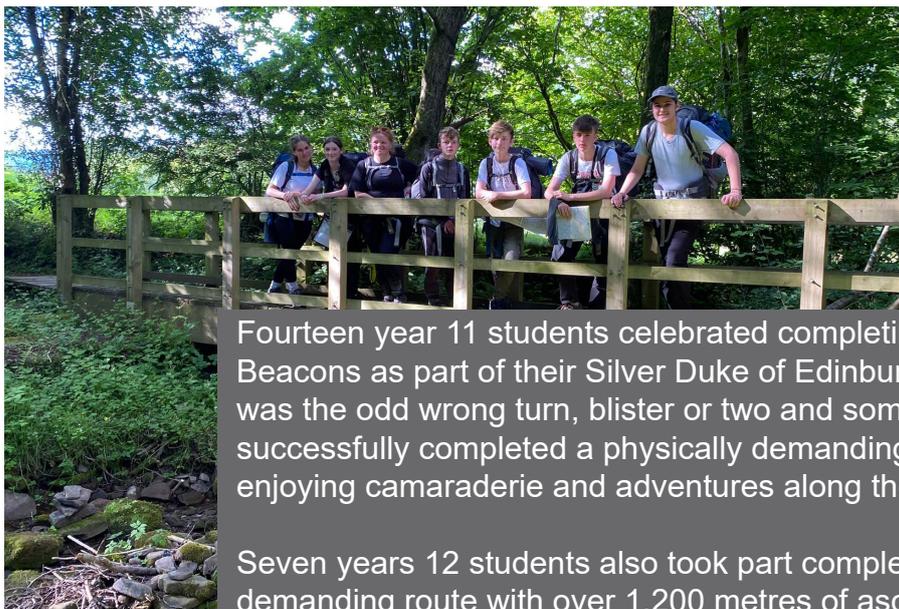
The day started with a whole school collective worship, the first to be held outside. Reverend Manley, from the Somerset Mendip Methodist Circuit, kindly led the service and the school Combined Cadet Force (CCF) marched and raised the Platinum Jubilee flag supported by the school orchestra.



In the afternoon, all students from Years 7 to 10 enjoyed a walk around the school grounds and town of Bruton to raise money for two charities, Children's Hospice South West (CHSW) and the RNIB. Teachers and support staff donned protected clothing and doused the walkers with vibrant pink and blue coloured powders, kindly donated by the CHSW.

Students were greeted at the finish line by the Lord Lieutenant of Somerset, Mrs Maw and the Mayor of Bruton, Mr Jones who presented them all with a Platinum Jubilee pin badge as a memento of the day.

Staff and students all enjoyed afternoon refreshments with Jubilee cakes made by the school's kitchen and dining team. So far, the event has raised £384.76 and donations can still be made at <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Sekeys-School-Jubilee-Day>



Duke of Edinburgh

Fourteen year 11 students celebrated completing their GCSE's by hiking the Brecon Beacons as part of their Silver Duke of Edinburgh's qualifying expedition. Whilst there was the odd wrong turn, blister or two and some interesting cuisine cooked, all students successfully completed a physically demanding and navigationally challenging route enjoying camaraderie and adventures along the way. Bravo!

Seven years 12 students also took part completing their Gold practice, taking a more demanding route with over 1,200 metres of ascent over the 3 days.

All 3 levels of the award start anew in September (Bronze/Yr10, Silver/Yr11, Gold/ Yr12) - please contact Mr Hamlin if your son/daughter is interested in taking part.

Sexey's success at the Ten Tors Challenge

Six of our Year 10 students were among around 2,500 young people who took part in the 35-mile hike on Dartmoor during the weekend of Saturday, May 7 and Sunday 8.

The team consisting of Bella, Matilda, Thor, Tom, Josh and Fletcher were all smiles as they crossed the line at 2.40pm. Mr Sainsbury, Sexey's Team Leader said "Firstly please let me congratulate the team on their successful completion of the 2022 Ten Tors 35 Mile Challenge, an excellent effort all round. The recorded return time of 2.40pm on Sunday is testament not only to their ability to navigate and work as a team but also their stamina and strength (both mental and physical).

We hope to run a 35 mile (Year 10) and 45 mile (Year 11/12) next year, if you are interested in taking part please contact Mr Sainsbury.



Occasional Boarding and extended day



As you may already know, last year we launched our Occasional Boarding (previously called Flexiboarding) and Extended Day offer for current day students.

The Extended Day Offer is ideal for parents who might be looking for additional hours of support and enrichment for their child/ren after the normal school day has finished, or before it has begun.

Our Occasional boarding offer enables an existing day student to board up to 14 nights per term on a regular basis or just occasionally.

Further details and FAQ can be read at <https://www.sexseys.somerset.sch.uk/admissions-process-state-boarding/occasional-boarding-and-extended-day/>

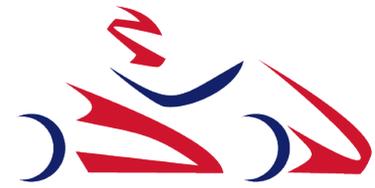
Wear Bright Colours Day



In June all students and staff were invited to attend school wearing bright colours to raise awareness and funds for Breaking the Chains - Ukrainian Animal Rescue and Somerset Pride Month.

Some of our students gave out stickers, sold sweets and had conversations to support the school being diverse, inclusive, accepting, welcoming and a safe space for everyone.

Well done to everyone who got involved!



BRITISH SCHOOLS KARTING CHAMPIONSHIP 2022

After qualifying at Farnborough, 12 students headed to Crawley for the Regional Final of the British Schools Karting Championship 2022 on Wednesday 11th May.

It was a very busy evening with 13 teams taking part from 5 schools with only the 1st & 2nd placed teams going forward to the National Final. There was some exceptional driving from our students, in particular Ed G and Josh S. However sadly, with some unfortunate crashes and questionable driving standards, we did not reach the top two, but we came a respectable 6th – 9th.

6th place – Theo K, Ed G & Will G

8th place – Ben H, Elliot M & Ned S

7th place – Billy O, Dan S & Charlie Z

9th place – Xander A, Josh S & Jack M

A special thank you to Mr Goodman who gave up his time not only for the race, but for an extra practice session. We would also like to thank the parents and families who came along to support us. It was great to see you there.

It was a nail-biting evening and not the result we were hoping for, but it was a pleasure taking the students who represented the school impeccably. Fingers crossed for the British Schools Karting Championship 2023.

YEAR 11 PROM

A wonderful night was had by all at our Year 11 Prom held at the Crossways Inn at North Wootton. A gallery of all photographs taken on the night can be found at <https://pic.kr/s/aHBqjzY494>. Photos will be available to view until the 31st August 2022.



Quantock Education Trust

Virtual Summer Exhibition 2022

Pictured are some of the highlights from this year's Virtual Summer Exhibition featuring artwork from all of our year groups. To view the Virtual Summer Exhibition visit: <https://www.sexeys.somerset.sch.uk/2022/07/13/quantock-education-trust-virtual-summer-exhibition-2022/>

The exhibition celebrates the creative, reflective and confident students' art work across all the Multi Academy Trust's schools.



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Quantock Education Trust

Virtual Summer Exhibition

2022

Thursday 14th July 2022

@HGCreative_
www.quantockedtrust.co.uk

Virtual admissions - Link will be found on Haygrove's Instagram and School's website



Speech Day 2022

Thank you to all the parents and guardians who attended our Speech Day on Friday 8th July. We were happy to be able to invite you into school to celebrate the achievements of our students, having not held a Speech Day since 2018.

The event was opened with music from the school orchestra and a welcome from Headteacher, Mrs Helen Cullen. Charlie Mayhew MBE, the Co-founder and CEO of Tusk Trust addressed the school and presented all the students with their awards alongside Deputy Head, Mr Ross Dalzell.

Year 10 student Louisa G, performed a beautiful version of 'Slipping through my fingers' by ABBA and new Heads of School, Anna C and Hal AD, gave a very heart felt vote of thanks.

All the photos from the day can be viewed at <https://tekie.shootproof.com/gallery/Sexeys> using the password TSS!2022 and will be available until the 31st August 2022. To download any of the photo please use Pin 4846.





SPORTS FESTIVAL 2022!

Despite the predicted very hot weather we were delighted to be able to hold two days' of sporting activities and competitions to mark the end of term.

Day 1 of the Sports Festival included a series of activities among the year groups including Tag rugby, CrossFit, Rounders, Softball, Swimming and Netball.

On Day 2 we held our Sports Day up on the Elm Field. Javelin took place on the neighbouring Daisy Field, while Long Jump took part alongside the Track events.

Mr Bull took to the decks to keep spirits high with invigorating music choices, while Mr Francis, Mr Fauceglia and Mrs Nurse took to the spreadsheets, recording the all-important scores.

At the time of writing this, scores were still being counted and all Houses were still in with a chance of winning the all important Bint Shield!

Winners will be announced at the whole school End of Year Assembly.



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We are delighted to announce that the Senior Student Leadership Team for the academic year 2022/23 has now been finalised. This year we have adapted the structure slightly and have aligned roles to whole school priorities and student voice and areas of interest.

A huge congratulations to Anna C and Hal A who has been appointed Head of School. They will be supported by Poppy A the Deputy Head of School.

Congratulations also to all the students who have been appointed to senior roles within the school community (pictured above). To find out more visit the full news story at <https://www.sexeyes.somerset.sch.uk/2022/05/19/new-senior-student-leadership-team-announced/>



We're really looking forward to welcoming back our current Year 11s who are joining us at Sexey's Sixth in September!

Please remember to let school know your GCSE results so that we can complete your registration.

YEAR 13 PROM



Congratulations to all our Year 13 leavers, thank you all for being such a wonderful group and we hope you all had a fantastic evening. A gallery of all the photographs taken on the night can be found at <https://lic.kr/s/aH8qjzY5Pb>. Photos will be available to view until the 31st August 2022.

DATES *for the diary*

Here's a reminder of a few key dates for your calendar and for spreading the word (thank you)!

A LEVEL RESULTS

- Thursday 18th August, 8.30am,
Sixth Form Centre

GCSE RESULTS

- Thursday 25th August, 10am
Sixth Form Centre

LOWER SCHOOL OPEN EVENING

- Tuesday 20st September, 6pm
- Registrations now being taken at bit.ly/SexeysOpenEvening

SIXTH FORM INFO EVENING

- Tuesday 11th October, 6pm
- Registrations now being taken at bit.ly/SixthOpenEvening

THANK YOU FOR SPREADING THE
WORD!



WELCOMING YOU BACK...

- Sunday 4th September: New boarders to arrive to the Boarding Houses for 4pm
- Sunday 4th September: Returning boarders to return to the Boarding Houses from 6pm
- Monday 5th September: School term starts at 8.40am

Stay in touch! Find us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#), and of course [online](#).
Term dates can be found at: www.sexkeys.somerset.sch.uk/parents/term-dates/