



## CAN YOU HELP?

Kingsbridge Community College became an Academy from 1st January 2011. We were offered the chance to become an Academy by the Department for Education because of our outstanding track record of results and our outstanding Ofsted inspection. Our status as an Academy means that we have more resources at our disposal, and can use our independence to tailor education for the benefit of our students.

We are now looking for members of the local community who would like to serve as Governors and help to steer our future direction. The College already has a number of experienced Governors, and is looking to make sure that it has a good geographical spread of Governors across its catchment area, a good spread of skills and also gender, so it is particularly looking for women in order to ensure a balanced membership.

The College is holding an **Open Meeting at 7pm on Thursday, 13th January** so that prospective Governors can learn more about what is involved. Please do feel free to come along if you are interested or ring Lis Collard (ext 103) at the College for more information.

*Let's continue the upward spiral in our new Academy!*  
*Angus Pope*

## THE MYSTERIES

Many congratulations to all students who took part in The Mysteries at the end of last term. This was a stunning production and students rose to the challenge of very difficult language and songs. Many thanks to Mr Lewis and Miss Stephens, who directed the show, and to Mrs Jamison who arranged and conducted the music.

## MODULE RESULTS

Students will be receiving their exam module results on Thursday, 13<sup>th</sup> January and we wish all the best to those students who are about to sit their January modules for GCSE, AS and A2 examinations.

## HELP THE COLLEGE IF YOU ARE ABLE!

The Coalition Government is now paying £430 to the College for each student who is eligible for Free School Meals. Whether or not you intend to take these meals, it is obviously now of HUGE importance to us that as many students who are eligible register their claim. If you receive any of these benefits then you are entitled to Free School Meals:

- Income support
- Income based job seekers allowance
- Guaranteed element of pension credit
- Child tax credit (without working tax credit) and an annual income below £16,190
- Employment and support allowance (income related)
- Support under part VI of the immigration & asylum act 1999

There is a very simple one page form to be filled in which is available from Josie Hainsworth 852641 ext 179 or [hainsworth.j@kingsbridgecollege.devon.sch.uk](mailto:hainsworth.j@kingsbridgecollege.devon.sch.uk)

If you are eligible and have not claimed, we would be delighted if you did so.



## STAFF NEWS

**David Membry** is retiring from his post as College Network Manager. He has overseen the growth of IT in the College from very early beginnings of one PC to our present network of over 700 computers. We wish him and his wife Rosalind a very long and happy retirement.

We welcome **Mr Cook** to the Maths Department in place of Mr Hunt who left at the end of last term to go into industry. Mr Cook is a very well qualified and experienced Maths teacher and we are delighted to have secured his services.

## PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION

Thank you for taking part in the election of two Parent Governors to the College. **Steven Tucker** and **Rob Johnstone** received the most votes and will therefore stand as Governors for a four year period from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2011.

## Consultation on School Admission Arrangements 2012-13 and Education Transport 2011-12

We have been asked to let you know that the annual consultation on admission arrangements for Devon maintained schools and Academies will take place until 1 March. Responses are invited on the arrangements proposed for the academic year 2012-13. The education transport policy is included in this consultation. View the [consultation](http://www.devon.gov.uk/admissionarrangements) at [www.devon.gov.uk/admissionarrangements](http://www.devon.gov.uk/admissionarrangements) with responses required by 1 March 2011

## Year 11 Subject Fair - Thursday 27th January 2011

Parents and students are invited to visit the Sixth Form Centre between 5.00pm and 7.30pm to find out information about the Sixth Form. Key presentations will take place in the Main College Hall at 5.00pm and again at 6.00pm. Staff will be available in the Sixth Form to answer questions and there will also be representatives from Connexions, local Colleges of Further Education and Training Providers.

## College Term Dates

### Spring Term 2011

4th January - 8th April

#### Half Term

21st - 25th February

#### Non-Student Day

18th February

### Summer Term 2011

26th April - 22nd July

#### Half Term

31st May - 3rd June

#### Non Student Day

6th June - Students may need to attend for external exams on this day

## PRINCIPAL'S AWARDS

|                   |     |
|-------------------|-----|
| Molly White       | 7GD |
| Elly Stevens      | 7GD |
| Joe Vorster       | 7GD |
| Luke Westlake     | 7CT |
| Tom Ellis         | 7CT |
| Tallulah Williams | 7CT |
| Meg Niblett       | 7FP |
| Rachel Elliott    | 7FP |
| Tanya Kenny       | 7FP |
| Holly Craig       | 7FP |
| Jacob Collinson   | 7FP |
| Bethany Hurrell   | 7FP |
| Eleanor Wadey     | 7FP |
| Chrissie Morgan   | 7PT |
| Millie Hilder     | 7PT |
| Amy Edmonds       | 7PT |
| Chloe Bruniges    | 7PT |
| Yanni Barnett     | 7PT |
| William Foale     | 8WD |
| Zoë Weeks         | 8WD |
| Izzy Ponsford     | 8WD |

## DEBATING SUCCESS

Many congratulations to our Debating Team who are through to the South West Finals having beaten other schools at a debate in Bodmin at the end of last term. Particular congratulations to Thomas Tozer and Emma Andrews who were the speakers for the College team, and to Antonia King and Jenny Ashby who stepped in at the last minute to replace another school who could not make it. Very well done indeed and good luck in the next round!