

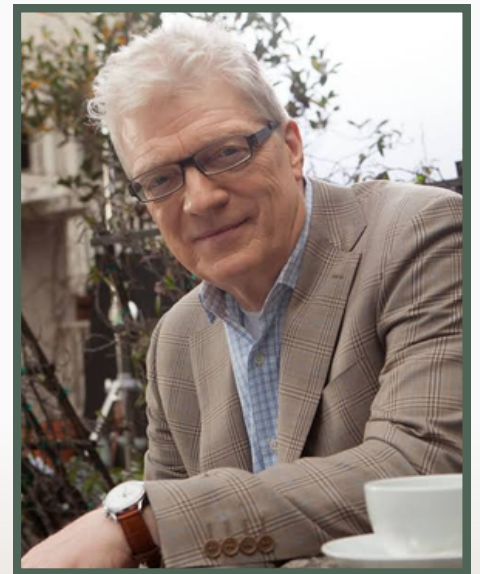
SS Headteacher's Newsletter

April 2025

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

'I heard a great story recently — I love telling it — of a little girl who was in a drawing lesson. She was six, and she was at the back, drawing, and the teacher said this girl hardly ever paid attention, and in this drawing lesson, she did. The teacher was fascinated. She went over to her, and she said, "What are you drawing?" And the girl said, "I'm drawing a picture of God." And the teacher said, "But nobody knows what God looks like." And the girl said, "They will in a minute."

What these things have in common is that kids will take a chance. If they don't know, they'll have a go. Am I right? They're not frightened of being wrong. I don't mean to say that being wrong is the same thing as being creative. What we do know is, if you're not prepared to be wrong, you'll never come up with anything original -- if you're not prepared to be wrong.'



Sir Ken Robinson – British educationalist, author and public speaker

Year 13 prepare for final stretch!

Our Year 13s have been through their Mocks and post-mock revision and now approach the summer period of public examinations. Please note that they will still be able to attend lessons with their teachers (as per normal timetable) for further exam practice/revision during part of May if they so wish.

In the meantime, they have been marking their final weeks in school with various activities, including a Spirit Week whereby certain days were dedicated to specific themes and year 13s arrived in school suitably dressed: 1. Movie Character 2. A Favourite Teacher 3. Gender Swap 4. Anything but a bag 5. Through the Decades.

MATHS WEEK 2025

During the week of March 24th until March 28th 2025, our School celebrated Maths Week! Year 7, Year 8, Year 9 and Year 10 students participated in Maths House Competitions during Mathematics lessons, earning points for their Houses. The overall winning house, with 902 points was Kenny!



During 2nd breaks, the Chess Club, led by our Year 10 student Alexandros Kyriakides, held a Chess Tournament. Congratulations to the winners of the Chess Tournament, Michail Kravets (Year 9) and Benjamin Dockray (Year 7)!

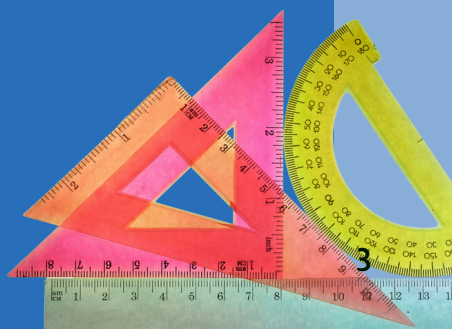
There was also a π -digits Memorisation Contest, and our Year 7 student Aleksandra Frolova managed to recite 200 digits of π !

A Maths-themed Bake Sale was also held on Thursday 27th March where a total of €240 was raised for the Alkinoos Artemiou Foundation.



Many thanks to all the teachers of the Mathematics Department for all their efforts in organising a wonderful week to celebrate Mathematics and to the students for so eagerly participating in the activities!

Year 7 Mathematics relay!



YEAR 10 ATTEND PSHE SESSION ON NUTRITION



On Friday, 4th April, Year 10 students attended an insightful PSHE session on nutrition, organised by their 10E Form Tutor, Ms. Diou.

Mrs. Nicolaou delivered an engaging and informative talk on the importance of a balanced and varied diet, the role of sleep in their well-being, and the best foods to boost brain power before exams. She also highlighted healthy snack options and the dangers of energy drinks.

Her passionate approach captivated students, sparking thoughtful questions and discussion.

PASHAMAMA

PROJECT

FUND RAISER

LED BY STUDENT COUNCIL AND WELLBEING AMBASSADORS

The Wellbeing Ambassadors and Student Council reps have successfully raised over 700 euros for the Pachamama Project. This project is a volunteer-led initiative that creates reusable sanitary pads for refugees around the world.



To raise funds, 9 teachers agreed to wear a silly costume all day!



In order to bolster the fundraising efforts, number of teachers bravely accepted the invitation to participate in an ice bucket challenge in the break!

Well done to all involved, and especially to Ms Artemis Theophanous for her organisation and support of the Student Council and Wellbeing Ambassadors in this student led initiative.





SILVER MEDALLIST, NANDIKA!

Congrats to our own Nandika Andria Dubey of Year 8 who won the Silver Medal at the Cyprus Fencing Federation Under 14 National Fencing Championship recently in Nicosia.

COMMUNITY CONNECT ACTIVITY



Well done to student members of Community Connect who organized an Easter Workshop afterschool on Monday 7th April: 'Craft for a Cause'.

Students from all years were invited to gather to decorate Easter Candles (lampades) and Cards. Half the creations were to be sold with all proceeds used to fund future events and contribute to donations. The remaining half of the candles and the cards were gifted to an elderly home on a Community Connect trip.



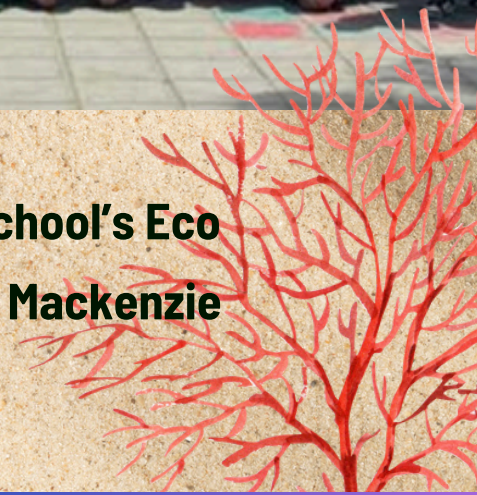
SS SCYENCE FAIR SUCCESS!

Our student scientists once again have seen their efforts recognised in the local community with 1st Prize at the sCYence fair organised by the Cyprus Institute.

SS BEACH CLEAN-UP



Well done to Year 8 and members of the school's Eco Committee who spent the day cleaning up Mackenzie Beach in Larnaca!



NEVERLAND
an original musical

11TH & 12TH APRIL 7.30PM
STROVOLOS MUNICIPAL THEATRE

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Get your tickets now!
[TICKETBOX.COM.CY/NEVERLAND](https://www.ticketbox.com.cy/neverland)

THE JUNIOR & SENIOR SCHOOL

NEVERLAND - AN OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE!

Our students showed their talent and commitment in putting on a truly impressive performance of the original musical, Neverland, before the Easter break. Huge appreciation must go out to not only the student stars, but also to our staff.

There were many individuals involved in the planning and preparation/rehearsals for the performances (including parents - Many thanks!), but in particular I would like to praise Ms Eleni Cosma who directed, and Eirini Filippou, who composed the music. They worked tirelessly over many months, often at the cost of personal time and commitments. The school values their efforts and congratulates them on creating opportunities for our students to perform and showcase their talents as actors, dancers, singers and musicians.

JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT **TRADE FAIR** 2025

Congratulations to our students who participated in the Junior Achievement Trade Fair on 29th March. They demonstrated exceptional effort, not only in presenting their products at the fair, but also throughout the year in setting up and running their companies.

Our school was proudly represented by the following Y12 students:



Eco Pots:

Chasapis Nicolas, Ioannou Nestoras, Mendoza Keizer, Nicolaou Ioannis, Spaneas Platon,



Nature's Cup:

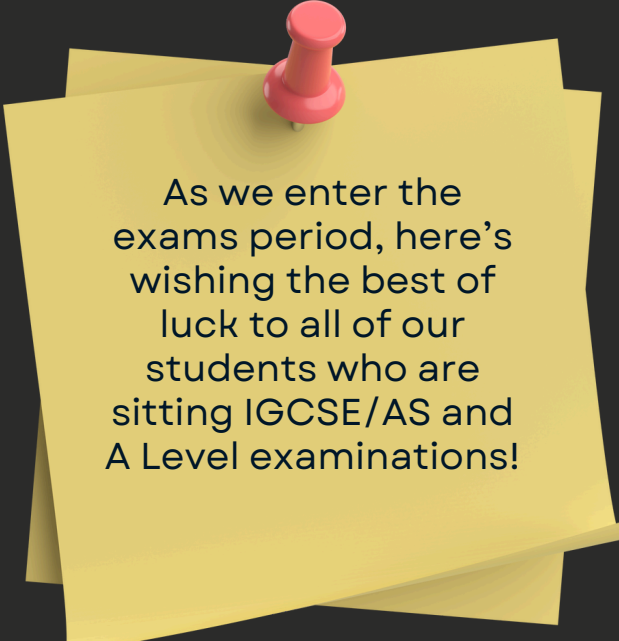
Aloneftis Andreas, Ellina Christina, Guan Xin, Panayiotou Daphne.



Heet 'Em Up:

Weiderud Leonie, Nathanael Noah, Kafkaridou Katerina, Pavlowitch Anna, Christoforou Kyriakos, Christodoulou Demetris, Ramdas Aayush.

Well done to all for all the hard work and dedication. In addition, many thanks to to Nicos Paphitis for mentoring the Eco Pots team and to the Head of the Business Faculty, John Pipis, for his guidance and valuable support during this period. And of course, huge thanks to Ms Michaelina Ioannou and Ms Christine Papapavlou of the Business Faculty for their leadership and support for our JA teams this year!



As we enter the exams period, here's wishing the best of luck to all of our students who are sitting IGCSE/AS and A Level examinations!

Thank you

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Senior School Headteacher