

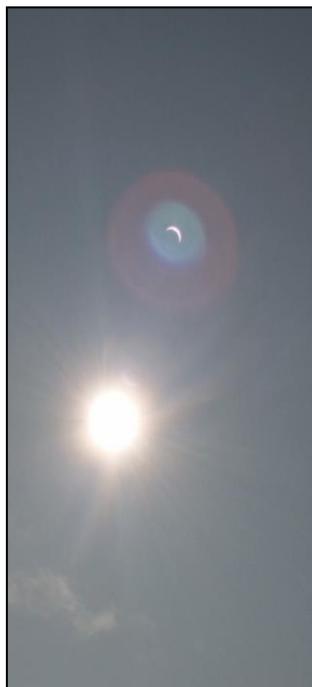
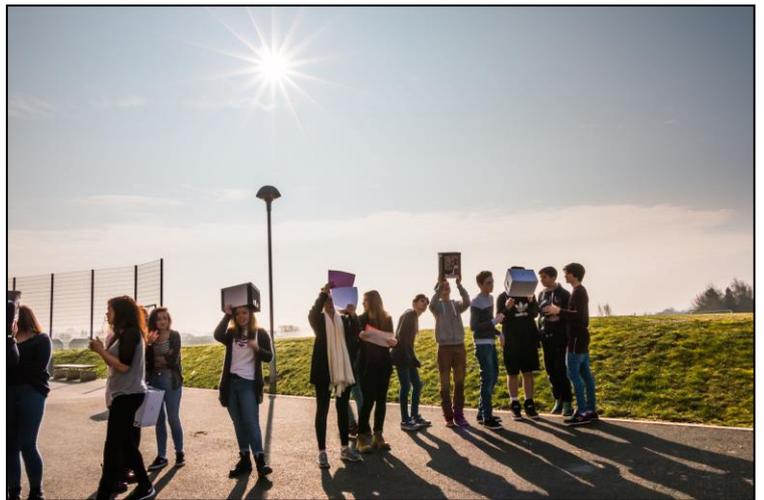


Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2015

## Solar Eclipse 2015: What a moment!

Wow - the whole College was gripped as the moon eclipsed the sun on Friday morning. What an experience. Big thanks to the Science team for making so many special eclipse viewers for the students to enjoy. The College fell beneath the most incredible unearthly light as the moon passed in front of the sun at 9:30am.

We hope you enjoy this selection of photographs taken around the College grounds during the eclipse itself.



# Parents, Carers and Student



## Earl Mortimer College – Meet the Governors

Name: Richard Tatton

I have over 30 years drinks industry experience and have worked in virtually every aspect possible – my outstanding knowledge and business acumen helps my customers with their business successes. I hold a WSET Diploma and have worked in South Africa, Chile, Argentina, France, Spain, Italy and Germany as well as the UK. In my leisure time I enjoy swimming & cycling, but I can always be found near my trusty BBQ from Easter to November.

A little more about me:

- Member of the Chartered Institute of Marketing
- Member of the Institute of Wines & Spirits
- Keen photographer using digital media. His photos have been included in wine magazines, websites and brochures.
- Skilled local radio presenter and producer after many years at Hospital Radio stations.
- West Midlands Panel Member of BBC Trust – Ensuring standards & balance to meet the required statutes

## Comic Relief 2015 @ EMC!

Miss Anderson would like to thank all students, parents and staff for helping the SMSC representatives and College Council raise £110 for Comic Relief.

Students spear headed the event making Comic Relief themed cakes that were sold to the teachers.

Year 11 students Poppy Bull and Yazmin Griffiths also organised and ran a Zumbathon which both students and staff took part in. A great deal of fun was had by all in aid of a fantastic cause.

Well done!



## English Faculty – Exam Preparation

### Key Stage Four Exams

As is the case across the college, it is fast approaching the busy exam period for Key Stage Four students in English.

Year 10 have just sat their English Literature mock exam and showed a mature and sensible approach in the process. This exam forms part of the preparations for the real English Literature GCSE exams that students in Year 10 will sit on 18th and 22nd of May 2015. These exams cover Heroes, An Inspector Calls, Of Mice and Men and unseen poetry. Students sitting these exams should be preparing for these at home (revision guides and online resources can help with this). To offer additional support with this, there are revision sessions in college planned for the Easter Holidays as detailed in a recent letter sent home.

For Year 11, their GCSE English exam is on the 2nd June 2015. Students should be attending revision with their teacher every Tuesday after school. They need to ensure that they are also completing tasks set by their teacher to complete at home. There will be additional support available in the half term holiday prior to the exam. If there is anything else that the English Department can do to help, please do not hesitate to ask!

## EMC receives funding from the Sylvia Short Educational Charity

We were delighted and very grateful to receive a grant of almost £2,000 from the Sylvia Short Educational Charity to help subsidise the cost of the Year 8 visit to Paris in June. This has made it possible for some students to join the trip who would not otherwise have been able to afford the cost. The charity makes grants to individuals, schools, colleges and other organisations for extra-curricular and educational visits and in particular assists students in financial need. Applications can include funds for books, equipment, musical instruments or even overseas work experience.

More information about the charity can be found at [www.sylviashort.org](http://www.sylviashort.org)



## Meet the staff – Mr C Lloyd-Jones (Science Faculty)

**Name:** Mr C Lloyd-Jones

**Position in school:** Teacher of Science, year 7 form tutor

**What does your role involve?** I teach science to KS3 and KS4 pupils.

**What did you do before joining EMC?** I've been a teacher for about 3 years now. I'm a qualified Science teacher, with specialism in Chemistry, and have taught in Redditch and North West Birmingham. Prior to teaching I worked for GSK Pharmaceuticals, BetFred Bookmakers and I was an Officer Cadet in the Royal Air Force.

**What do you like about EMC so far?** I've found the science faculty to be a very welcoming and friendly environment, in particular the support staff who have helped me with my lessons so far.

**Tell us a bit about yourself:** I live in Hereford with my wife, where I enjoy teaching myself to play bass guitar, as well as going to music festivals and gigs (particularly rock and heavy metal). I am also a keen boxer (Muay Thai) and enjoy keeping fit when I can.

**How should students, parents/carers contact you?** Students can find me in room F18, or in/around the science prep room.



# Herefordshire Magistrates – Mock Trials 2015

## What is the Herefordshire Magistrates Mock Trials competition?

The Mock Trials are a competition held every year all across England, where different schools take part to work through a set case [the same for everyone taking part] divided into two teams: defence and prosecution.

The two teams have to argue their points as if it were a real court case we are then marked on how well they performed in each role. So the final verdict did not really matter. There was an age limit of 11-14 years old, where Earl Mortimer was one of the youngest teams, ranging to the Steiner academy, who had the oldest and most experienced participants [they came both first and second in the previous year!].

The six competing schools in the local heat were: Earl Mortimer College, Fairfield High School, John Kyrle High School, Kingstone High School, Steiner Academy Hereford and Whitecross High School.

The closing ceremony was held by Mr Paul Deneen OBE JP DL where every school won an award and each individual won a £5 gift card, and the top three schools received a first, second and third prize, which were handed out by: the Countess of Darnley Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Herefordshire; His Honour Judge Hooper QC; the Right Worshipful Mayor of Hereford Cllr Len Tawn and Mrs Sue Furnival JP, Chair of the Hereford Bench. Plenty of photos were taken.

The winner [John Kyrle High School] will now proceed to Regional Heats in Birmingham and the winner of that will go on to a National Final. John Kyrle who also won the shield for best magistrates. 2nd prize was given to the Steiner Academy, who won the shield for 'Best Prosecution' and 3rd prize was Earl Mortimer, who also won the shield for 'Best Defence'.

Report written by Max Pearson

On the 14th March 2015 we went down to Hereford Magistrate's Court to take part in the mock trial. We had a team of 14 taking part. The team members were:

### Prosecution:

Amy Small – Lawyer 1  
Daniel Clarke – Lawyer 2  
Jonathan Anderson –  
Legal Adviser  
Daria Barczewska –  
Witness 1 (Sam Flowers)  
Nathan Fletcher –  
Witness 2 (PC 6789  
Waters)

### Defence:

Max Pearson – Lawyer 1  
Phoebe Spencer – Lawyer  
2  
Grace Davies - Usher  
Peter Gregory –  
Defendant (Pat Taylor)  
Sophia Burrows – Witness  
2 (Jules Martin)

### Magistrates:

Megan Mitchell  
Cordeen Barnett  
Katie Poyner

### Court Reporter:

Hope Marshall

At 09:05, the first round started with our prosecution team versus Fairfield High School. We successfully won the case after one of their lawyers had a bit of a break down and we managed to successfully prosecute the defendant. This was a brilliant achievement as we were the only team to get the guilty verdict.

Afterwards, the defence team went up against John Kyrle HS in the third round. Once again, we won our case, even though the magistrate told off one of our lawyers twice. We only just managed to get not guilty, after one of the other magistrates quickly changed their mind after their team members had said guilty. This meant that the lead magistrate had the final decision and said not guilty! Mrs Joules and Miss Feerick were there to help us and we had a really great time. It was quite fancy at the end when we were given gift vouchers and prizes and had our photo taken with some important people.

Winning third prize overall was a big achievement and a lot of us want to take part again next year to try and win it!

Report written by Meg Mitchell and Amy Small



## Herefordshire Boys U14 County Hockey

The Herefordshire Under 14 hockey squad competed in the West of England 7 a-side competition held at Clifton College on Sunday 15th March. The county side came up against much more experienced teams and lost all matches. However, the improvement made throughout the day was noticeable and the team were highly competitive particularly in their final game, where they worked hard to implement the tactics that had been deployed against them earlier in the competition.

The county squad of 10 players contained 6 EMC students – 1 Year 7 and 5 Year 8's all competing in a Year 9 event! This demonstrates the potential for them being much more competitive next year when they will be vying with players of their own age group whereas this year most opponents were older than the Herefordshire group.

Congratulations and a massive well done to **George Donald from Year 7; and Sol Morgan; Robert Lyon; Jonathan Anderson; Tom Jackson Max Pearson, all Year 8:**



## Leadership @ EMC!

The last few weeks of term have been and will be, very busy for our Young Leaders in College. The year 13 BTEC PE group have been working in Leominster Primary School with the year 1 classes on a Thursday lunchtime. Each group has planned and delivered a series of multi skills sessions which have been very well received by the pupils and the staff there. The same students have also started to assist with the PE lessons at Westfield Special School on a Tuesday. We join the 'hedgehogs' class, who are the youngest members of the school and we work on a 1-1 basis, alongside their PE teacher.

In addition the year 10 Core PE group on Thursday organised and ran the KS1 multiskills Festival in the sportshall. Ivington and Westfield schools enjoyed activities ranging from 'snap' to skittles to dinosaur eggs and skipping. All the children thoroughly enjoyed themselves and the visiting staff praised the leaders for their ideas and management of the pupils. For the past two Friday afternoons the year 11 core PE girls have devised and lead some Quickstix hockey sessions for Leominster Primary and St Michaels', Bodenham, schools. The pupils have learnt the new skills well and put them to really good effect in the mini games at the end of the sessions. Staff have been pleased with the development of their pupils and suitably impressed with some of their past pupils who have now been leading. Well done to all of our Young Leaders.

