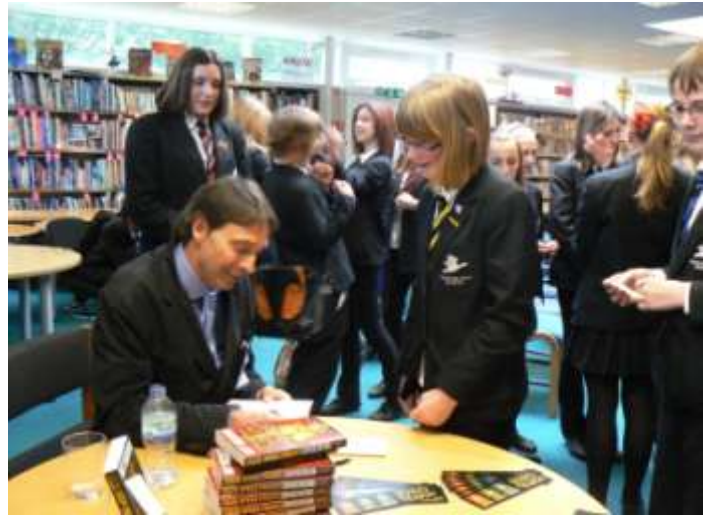


EVEREST CLIMBER VISITS OUR SCHOOL



It was a privilege to welcome Film Maker, Author and Adventurer Matt Dickinson to The Learning Centre on Wednesday 22nd May. Matt, who wrote the Mortal Chaos series, gave a truly inspirational presentation to three groups of Year 8 students about his experiences climbing Everest and how he develops ideas for his writing followed by a book signing. The students behaved impeccably and asked well-planned, humorous and discerning questions.

Mrs A Hedges - Learning Centre manager



Year 10 Geography Water Aid talk.

On Tuesday 21st May most of our Year 10 Geography students attended a talk by Rob Lawrence from the charity Water Aid. He discussed issues students are learning in lessons as part of their GCSE course and the topic of *the development gap*. The talk highlighted the importance of safe clean water for the development of countries and Water Aid's role in this.

The Geography Department aims to make students aware of issues they study in which they can get involved. In Term 6 we will be organising an activity to raise awareness as well as some funds for Water Aid's projects.

Mrs R Lopez. Geography teacher



Parent Forum

Wednesday 5th June
6pm-7pm in the Learning Centre
Open Discussion - How can we improve Parent Consultation Evenings?
Come and share your ideas.
All Welcome.

Dr S Bizley - Headteacher



Year 8 Mask Project

These are the Year 8 winners from Miss Gowlett's classes for the mask project; Ella Newton, Tom Madden, Rhiannon Tomes, Kylie Pearson, Sophie Rooke, Jess Stowell, Matty Walker, Jade O'Dowda, Rianne Jhutti, Georgia Haughey, Katie Palmer. The masks were based on drawings of animals loaned from the Pitt Rivers Museum and the Dogon tribe situated in Western Africa.

Miss C Gowlett – Art Faculty Teacher

North Oxford District Athletics

On Tuesday 21st May a strong and dedicated team of athletes competed at the North Oxon Athletics trials at Horspath Road. Success in individual events would mean qualification for the county finals on Sunday 16th June at Tilsley Park, Abingdon. All students competed very well and many competed out of age group. Gosford had a number of finalists and perhaps the biggest team at the event.

A number of athletes enjoyed personal success with Arron Cook winning the junior boys 1500m in convincing fashion.

The school also recorded a number of 2nd places:

- Jade O'Dowda – Girls junior 75m hurdles
- Jade O'Dowda – Girls junior 800m
- Chloe Ridewood – Girls junior 1500m
- Arron Buckle – Boys junior High Jump

Congratulations must go to all students who competed against some very experienced athletes who have devoted themselves to athletics and training.

Mr P Green – Subject Leader, P.E. Faculty

