Dear Parents, Carers and students,

Please see the news below and attached notices.

Sickle Cell Society - Bake Sale Charity Fundraiser

A huge thank you to the students who contributed towards the sickle cell awareness month bake sale. An even larger thank you to Emmanuella and Husna in Year 12 for bringing the event to life and showing such strength in sharing their experiences and answering questions from a personal perspective. *Esther E 12.5*

The school community rallied in together to raise approximately £500 in under 30 minutes.

For more information on the Sickle Cell Society please visit their website https://www.sicklecellsociety.org/

Townley's Extra-Curricular Clubs have an exciting range of activities for students to become involved with. Please visit our website via this link below: https://www.townleygrammar.org.uk/extra-curricular/clubs

Community Safety

You are invited to join the Hate Crime Awareness Session that the newly-commissioned service for Bexley, Stop Hate UK, will be running as part of National Hate Crime Awareness Week (8-15 October 2022). The event will take place on Thurs 13th October, 12.30-2pm, online.

The Hate Crime Awareness Training session will be delivered by Stop Hate UK and will cover what is hate crime, why it happens, how it affects victims, the barriers to reporting, the importance of accessing support, how the helpline works and the modes of contact. It is also an opportunity for you to ask us any questions and strengthen your knowledge in this area.

Anyone who lives, works, studies or visits Bexley regularly is welcome to join.

Please book via the Eventbrite page: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/stop-hate-uk-bexley-hate-crime-awareness-session-tickets-415834120047

Bexley Youth Enterprise Challenge

A number of our students recently participated in Bexley's Youth Enterprise Challenge as part of the 'High Streets For All' community project. Working against strong competition, all the participants showed great skill and achieved an amazing result.

Bexley's Councillor Munor was pleased to announce that Townley Grammar School were the winners!

We would like to congratulate and thank all the students who participated. The winning team were: - Deborah A Year 11, April O Year 11 and Brandon O Year 9- congratulations! What a wonderful achievement- congratulations!

"We had the opportunity to participate in the Youth Enterprise Challenge. We were given the task to design a product which they brought to life and then we would sold at the August Night Market held in Bexleyheath. Townley competed against numerous other schools on the Enterprise Challenge so we were delighted that we won!

On the 30th of September, we also hosted the 'Bexley's Got Light' talent show, which took five months of planning. Many students from across Bexley participated in this event to showcase their abilities. It was a great experience, and we would highly recommend." (**The winning team**)

Yours faithfully,

Ms H Mitchem Deputy Headteacher