

Year 10 into 11 Progression Evening

Aspire to Achieve



Since the Pre-Public Examinations (PPEs) for Year 10s finished at the end of June, students have been eagerly anticipating their results. This wait will come to an end on Wednesday 15th July, when the grades will be revealed in a specially convened results afternoon.

Later that same day, from 6.30pm, Year 10 parents, carers and students are invited to attend a **Progression Evening** in the Gymnasium aimed at easing the transition into the final year of GCSE courses.

Advice on making the most of the summer holidays will focus on the **“Get Ahead Programme”**. We will also be looking ahead to how students can hit the ground running in the Autumn term through the **“Kickstart Meetings”** on Thursday 3rd September when parents and carers with their Year 10 students discuss together recent academic progress before targets are set for the rest of Year 11.

Ms Court and Mr Varsani from the English and Maths faculties will be offering their guidance on how students can make the most of the remaining months in Key Stage 4, and to round things off, students from the Sixth Form will be speaking about their GCSE experiences and providing invaluable **“dos” and don’ts** to help ensure that Year 11 students achieve fantastic results in August 2016.

We look forward to seeing everyone on Wednesday 15th July!

Mr Arnold, Assistant Headteacher

Dates for the Diary

13 July

Y12 A2 Biology Field Work Courses
House Debating Competition

14 July

School Production Romeo & Juliette

15 July

Mini Olympics
Y10 Progress Evening

16 July

Y7 Raising Aspirations Trip
Y9 Devising Competition

17 July

Term ends 12.15.

Autumn Term:

Thursday 3rd September 2015

Year 7 – 8.30 start

Years 8-10 - 12:20 start

Years 11-13- Allocated times

Friday 4th September 2015

Years 7-13 8:30 start

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

KEY STAGE 3



Arash Qais – 7 Elm

Student of the week is Arash, for his exemplary contribution to the BMS Buddies initiative. The BMS buddies are year 7 students who have been selected for their excellent conduct at school. These students will be ambassadors for the school and assist in the 6 into 7 transition. Arash's approach to the role has been outstanding, he communicated with parents and students in such a mature manner which was praised by many of our visitors. Thank you for all your dedication and commitment to Bushey Meads, it is much appreciated.

KEY STAGE 4



Ryle - 10 Willow

Ryle is this week's KS4 student of the week. Ryle is a keen sportsman and epitomized the ethos of sports day by taking part in the year 10 shot putt competition, long jump, 100m, hurdles and relay. Ryle was also an integral member of the victorious Willow tug-of-war team.

KEY STAGE 5



Emily - 12Oak

Our KS5 student of the week this week is Emily who is currently in Year 12. She has been awarded this for her excellent effort and positive approach in all her lessons and for her outstanding attitude to learning scores on her reports. Emily is currently studying English Literature, Law, Maths and Physical Education.



Mullany's Coaches - Bushey Meads School Bus Service 2015-2016

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Superb Childcare Facility at BMS

Jeremy Turner – Executive Principal



Childcare has become an increasingly popular subject at KS4 over the years in many schools around the country and we are delighted that BMS is ahead of the game!

Under the leadership and teaching expertise of Mrs Bowyer, numbers of students choosing Childcare have increased over recent years and we are delighted that we have been able to build on the success of this important subject by now offering it as a Post 16 Level 3 option in the Sixth Form, an important stepping stone to relevant courses at higher education level.

As a school we have supported the subject development by refurbishing a room in the Science Block and creating a specially designed, fit for purpose teaching space equipped with cot, changing mat, creative carpet area and virtual babies.



Inter-house Debating: Round 1

E Pinkus

During the week of 29th June 2015, the first round of the Bushey Meads Inter-house Debating Challenge took place. May I begin this editorial by thanking those who took part. It was delightful to see students from the different houses take to the podium and represent their house. I would encourage them to join the Junior or Senior societies as they showed great skill and fortitude. I would also like to thank the heads of houses for their support in assembling their teams and promoting this event. And finally, a huge thank you to staff and students who came to the different heats to support their colleagues and houses.



Round 1: **This House believes that people should not keep pets.**

On the face of it, it would appear that those who opposed this motion and held that people should keep pets would have an easier time of it. But this was not the case. They found that the proposing teams had offered excellent research and delivered with such passion that this was going to be far more difficult than it first seemed. Under the able judging of Mrs Ash and Miss Bartholomew, the teams going through to the semi-final are: Willow, Ash, Elm and Beech.



We now look forward to Round 2: the semi-final, which is taking place on Monday 13 July. The motion is: **This House would make voting compulsory**

Heat 1: Willow (proposing) v Ash (opposing)

Heat 2: Elm (proposing) v Beech (opposing)

The winning teams of each heat will go head to head on the motion: **This House would ban the monarchy** in the final round.

And let's not forget **the next debate** of our debating societies.

We look forward to our mixed teams from the Junior and Senior societies arguing the motion **This House believes that football**

players should have lower wages. This will take place on Thursday 9th July at 1.30 in H2. We look forward to seeing you there.



The London Dungeons

Year 10 - Wednesday 1st July



Mr Knowles – Head of Drama



Following Bushey Meads winning entry in the Today Onwards Crime Prevention Drama competition, the organisers arranged for our students to visit the London Dungeons.

Travelling on the London underground on the hottest day since 2006 did not ruin our enjoyment of the day. The students were able to experience an interactive theatrical experience whilst being terrified at the same time. The Sweeney Todd and Jack the Ripper zones were particularly tense.

One student said afterwards 'It was great to travel into London with my friends and experience something so thrilling.' Later we were treated to some street theatre along the South Bank to finish a wonderful day out

A trip down memory lane

Ms Millar – Alumni Manager



It was a pleasure to meet and welcome back alumni on Tuesday 30th June. Former students who were on roll at Bushey Meads from the late 50's and late 60's, thoroughly enjoyed their trip down memory lane, reminiscing about their school days and the local area.

After a tour of the grounds and various classrooms, accompanied by Year 12 students, Lauren, Eleanor and Carly (opposite left to right), who were outstanding in highlighting the many changes and the infrastructure of the school. Our former students then enjoyed light

refreshments in the dining hall and continued retelling their Bushey Meads stories of school life, teachers and their subjects, with laughter and with great fondness.



A big thank you for organising the event yesterday and to the girls that showed us around. It certainly brought back memories and it was good to share our experiences with fellow Bushey Mead pupils. The buffet was unexpected and much appreciated.

Andy Homewood

Just a quick line to say thank-you very much for organising such a lovely afternoon. I appreciate the effort that you and your guides put in to make it so enjoyable.

Nick Hemmings

Just wanted to thank you for the school tour this afternoon. Please can you pass on my thanks to Lauren too, as she had to endure some pretty boring recollections from a bunch of old codgers but did so with grace and understanding! I wish her every success in her chosen career.

Roy Platten

London Broncos Rugby League Training Session



LONDON BRONCOS RUGBY LEAGUE
#ProudToBeBroncos

Mrs S.Cooper – PE Teacher



Wednesday 1st July will last long in the memory of many students at Bushey Meads and not just for the sweltering 34 degrees heat. Boys in years 8 and 9 were given the fantastic opportunity to experience some high class rugby league coaching.

London Broncos of the *Kingstone Press Championship* train at Bushey Met Police and visited the school for a second time to work with the boys in their PE lessons.

Students were treated to some coaching by the club's professional coaches, youth team players as well as first team player **Joe Keyes**.

With Rugby League being relatively rare in schools in the South of England this was a great opportunity to enlighten students at Bushey Meads about the qualities of a different code of rugby. The sessions gave students an insight into the requirements of a rugby league professional as well as providing Bushey Meads staff with the opportunity to 'steal' some new coaching activities and ideas.



It was great to see even in such 'difficult' weather conditions the students working really hard to embrace the activities the coaches had organised. The Broncos had nothing but praise for the endeavour and commitment of the boys who participated in the sessions, and it was -as always- a pleasure to observe students of all abilities fully integrated and engaged in a 'new activity'.

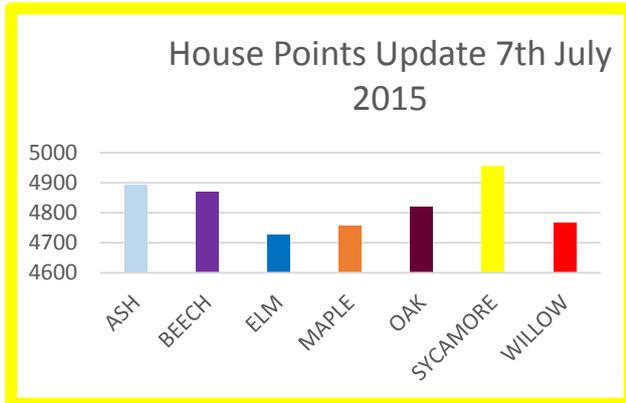
London Broncos have offered to run some extra-curricular activities in the new academic year, with the intention of developing sessions for both boys and girls; something that we are sure will be welcomed by all of the students at Bushey Meads.

The PE faculty would like to thank London Broncos for providing our students with the opportunity to participate in a new and engaging activity and for the exciting prospect of developing our future school club links. Anyone interested in being a part of the extra-curricular activities should keep an eye on the extranet and newsletter for information regarding the upcoming coaching sessions.

House Points Update

Sara Ash, Assistant Headteacher

Current House Totals



SYCAMORE	4957
ASH	4895
BEECH	4871
OAK	4820
WILLOW	4767
MAPLE	4758
ELM	4727

Big changes in the House Points totals! With Sports Day results from last week being added in Beech House have tumbled to 3rd place. We still have the House debating competition to come next week which could still change the order of play. Which House will end the year on top and win the House Cup for the first time? Look at next week's newsletter for the final results.

Sky Academy Year 12

Miss Hazell and Mrs McIldowie



We had the fabulous opportunity to visit the Sky Academy, at one of their main offices in Osterley. During the day the students took part in an employment skills workshop and were then able to see how those skills could be used in different aspects of the business. They were lucky enough to be able to go inside one of the sky sports studios and see the filming of Sky Sports News.



We also had the opportunity to hear from one of the senior managers, who spoke of her difficulties at 18 when she failed the first year of her A'levels and how she persevered and went on to pass her degree. She was then able to use these qualifications to become the Head of Social Responsibility for Sky.

She also spoke of the three most important things she looks for when interviewing potential staff;

- The ability to work as part of a group and get on well with others.
- A good listener.
- Inner confidence and be prepared to have a voice.

This was a great day and the students gained a wonderful insight into the world of work and the opportunities available to them.



Little Reddings STEM trip to Bushey Meads School



Coding with Python - Ms Gregory Computing Teacher (BMS)

Two class of Year 6 pupils from Little Reddings came to Bushey Meads School last week. In Computing they learned about programming using Python. We covered putting messages on the monitor, performing calculations and using variables. I think they picked it up quicker than the year 10 Computing class did earlier this year!



Dylan (pictured) said he thought the session had been “really fun”.

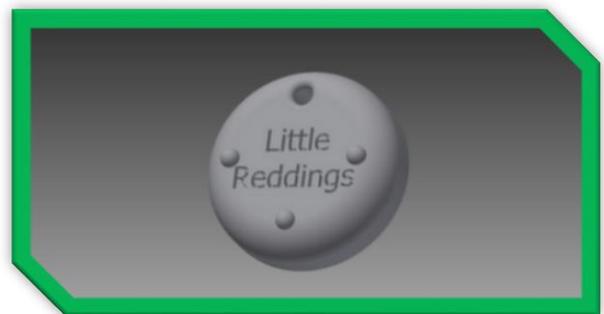
3D design – Mr Chalkley Head of Design and Technology Faculty (BMS)

I was really impressed by the skill level of the year 6 Little Reddings students. They managed to learn a range of 3D software skills to design a badge to be 3D printed. With just a few key instructions, the students had to use their problem solving skills and initiative to navigate their way around the software tools.

Next step will be to take the 3D PRINTER to Little Reddings, so the students can see the machine printing their designs in liquid plastic. How cool is that!



Fade (pictured) said she “enjoyed different experiences using coding and 3D design” because she had never done it before.



Sports Day 2015

Mr Cartledge, Head of P.E.

Last Thursday July 2nd saw all students in Years 7 -10 compete in the annual School Sports day. The day was a festival of sport with events in athletics, basketball, handball, softball and rounders. The Year 9 and 10 students competed during periods 1 and 2 with the Year 7 and 8 students following in periods 3 and 4. It was great to see all the students getting into the spirit of House Sports competition and the sea of colours across the school fields was quite a sight. The day finished with some very competitive Tug of War competitions in the afternoon. After over 100 sports events ASH House came out as the overall INTER HOUSE Sports Day winners with a massive 1470 points.

Final scores :

- 1st : ASH 1470 points
- 2nd : MAPLE 1465 points
- 3rd : SYCAMORE 1446 points
- 4th : ELM 1347 points
- 5th : WILLOW 1324 points
- 6th : OAK 1309 points
- 7th : BEECH 1046 points



Year Group Overall Results

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10
7SYC 411	8ASH 506	9ELM 431	10MAP 362
7OAK 371	8MAP 389	9ASH 377	10SYC 286
7ASH 362	8SYC 365	9SYC 374	10WIL 285
7MAP 362	8ELM 322	9WIL 335	10OAK 272
7WIL359	8WIL 315	9OAK 333	10BEE 246
7ELM 325	8OAK 273	9MAP 332	10ELM 229
7BEE 170	8BEE 265	9BEE 313	10ASH 155



Individual Winners

Year 7 Athletics Events	Boys Winners	Girls Winners
Hurdles	P Sangasinha 7MAP	P Gonzalez 7MAP
100m	P Sangasinha 7MAP	P Gunasegaran 7SYC
200m	P Coaster-Etuk 7SYC	M Taylor-Bean 7ELM
800m	J Kimber 7OAK	P Gonzalez 7MAP
1500m	J Kimber 7OAK	L Bayliss 7WIL
Relay	7 OAK	7 OAK
Long Jump	C Ford 7WIL	H Maile 7ELM
High Jump	J Kimber 7OAK	H Maile 7ELM
Shot	A Shrestha 7SYC	K Williams 7OAK
Discus	P Coaster-Etuk 7SYC	K Williams 7OAK
Javelin	R Marsh 7MAP	V Mishra 7ASH

Year 7 Handball Winners	Year 7 Rounders Winners
7 ASH Adam Smith Olu Oshisanya Jun Fam Chong Wiktor Kolesnik Arunesh Uthayakumar Alex Pickles Matthew Gosden	7 SYCAMORE Andre Fernandes Jude Callaghan Geerthigan Sritharan Luxsa Ravishanger Asma Bengherifa Nicola Hauff Joe Heels Jackson Helyer

Year 8 Athletics Events	Boys Winners	Girls Winners
Hurdles	C Atkinson 8WIL	A Rashid 8ASH
100m	C Cameron 8ASH	J Phillips 8OAK
200m	T Tharmakulasingam 8ASH	A Rashid 8ASH
300m	T Tharmakulasingam 8ASH	
800m	J Leech 8ASH	A Barrett 8WIL
1500m	J Leech 8ASH	S Ashby 8ELM
Relay	8ASH	8WIL
Long Jump	A Angold 8OAK	M Sjollema 8MAP
High Jump	B Faulkner 8ASH	M Sjollema 8MAP
Triple Jump	B Faulkner 8ASH	
Shot	J Fordham 8ELM	G Bryant 8 WIL
Discus	J Fordham 8ELM	G Bryant 8 WIL
Javelin	F Horastead 8WIL	A Parker 8BEE

Year 8 Basketball Winners	Year 8 Rounders Winners
8 ELM Charlie Lyall Abyshek Sureshkumar Gabriella Megroff Peter Ayani Philip Michie Jack Tebbitts	8 OAK Georgia Sargeant Lana Barnes Darsh Patel Vinal Kerai James Stevenson Arin rajani Shrey Shah Marie Hofer Tillyer Charlie Hewitt

Year 9 Athletics Events	Boys Winners	Girls Winners
Hurdles	C Bedwell 9ELM	V Pratt 9OAK
100m	C Osei 9ELM	T Vardin 9ASH
200m	C Osei 9ELM	R Bharmal 9OAK
300m	S Basnett 9WIL	E Ward 9SYC
800m	E Enright 9ASH	V Woolmer 9BEE
1500m	E Enright 9ASH	V Woolmer 9BEE
Relay	9ELM	9ASH
Long Jump	C Osei 9ELM	R Bharmal 9OAK
High Jump	M Lawman 9WIL	C Ryan 9WIL
Triple Jump	C Bedwell 9ELM	B Lipman 9ELM
Shot	C Osei 9ELM	L Campbell 9SYC
Discus	M Lawman 9WIL	N Rose 9ELM
Javelin	C King 9WIL	S Goode 9WIL

Year 9 Basketball Winners	Year 9 Rounders Winners
9 MAPLE Curtis Meale Kristian Dimitrov Kieran Woodhouse Emily Aldserley George Whitman	9 MAPLE Kristian Parr Mohammad Ahmad Fatima Iqbal Roxanne Olcot Lauren Parr Claudia Baldry Asad Raja

Year 10 Athletics Events	Boys Winners	Girls Winners
Hurdles	J Jalkhi 10MAP	J Boseley 10ELM
100m	K Johnson 10SYC	S Blakey 10WIL
200m	L Titouah 10MAP	H Williams 10ELM
300m	L Titouah 10MAP	M Sharif 10MAP
800m	N Shah 10SYC	
1500m	H Eagell 10SYC	F Talbot 10MAP
Relay	10 MAP	10WIL
Long Jump	A Fordham 10MAP	I Malin 10WIL
High Jump	S Baker 10ELM	F Talbot 10MAP
Triple Jump		
Shot	R Bumagat 10WIL	J Boseley 10ELM
Discus	J Jalkhi 10MAP	J Boseley 10ELM
Javelin	J Bhatti 10BEE	C Gerry 10ASH

Year 10 Softball Winners	Year 10 Rounders Winners
10 ELM Lewis Dobson Dylan Foss Ben Heels Matt Mullinger Zak Wright Josh Karakaya Shane Coelho Ben Thomas	10 SYCAMORE Imogen Vincent Elin Bonyadi Bella Stovey Tayla Barnard Daniel Fitch Josh Buchanan Harry Eagell Zeanat Zubair

SEN SPORTS DAY REPORT JULY 2015

By J Maloney, TAPI

SEN sports day got off to a flying start with years 7 and 8 competing in the throwing events. A circuit of events including the Boccia throw and foam javelin were set up for the students to compete in. Their aim was to score as many house points as possible.

In the Boccia throws Nicola Hoff year 7 from Sycamore house shone through despite never really playing in a competitive environment, and Ellie Grayling was outstanding in the precision throws! Students from Ash and Elm made a series of excellent throws but it was Willow and Oak students who jointly managed to gather the most points for their houses.

Each student also played short matches in Polybat. A sport most of our Base students play regularly in SEN PE lessons and have also competed in at The Stoke Mandeville National Games. With Sycamore, Oak and Ash gathering the most points by playing some skilled and tactical moves in the competition but particular well done to Asher Reuben year 7 who had never played Polybat before but managed to gather a commendable 8 points for his house!

With Sarthak Kanel and Ross Machen from year 8 showing so much enthusiasm to create the lively atmosphere. Period 2 saw the start of the inter-house Zone Hockey tournament. A fast paced game which involves teams having 1 player in each zone. Wheelchairs usually play in the centre zone, however Callum Wynn year 7 had to take position in goal at one point as there was a shortage of players. Well done Callum! Chloe Mai year 8 showed great sportsmanship and support to her peers. All students got a hit of the ball and Kai Shah Year 7 scored a great goal in the second half. Willow shone and managed to score the most points in the first half and Oak gained the most points in the second half. During their short break our current year 7s encouraged our new Year 7 visitors to enjoy the hockey by showing them how to play. Parag Sangani year 7 was particularly helpful (we definitely have new sporting talent for the Stoke Mandeville games) A great start to SEN sports day and a special well done to Jack James Year 7 for scoring the most points for Oak house.

And it was about to get better as Period 3 saw the start of the years 9 and 10 Sports events. Beginning with all the throwing events including Precision Throws and Shot put. With Elm house storming through the Boccia throws and Ash coming a close second.

Years 9 and 10 also played a series of polybat matches with Sycamore, Ash and Oak students scoring the most points. Some great winning shots played by Ben Lawson year 10 and Tristian Blomfield year 10. The standing Long jump followed with Ash once again scoring high and Hannah Spriggs year 9 showing some real effort.

Students then went outside to the track where they got into lane ready to run the most anticipated event of the day, the 50m sprint. Other students from BMS gathered around the track, clapping and supporting our amazing students on as they ran to the finish line. A close finish but Josh Kimber year 9 grabbed the 1st place. His face said it all!

Back inside P4 for the exciting final event, Zone Hockey. With Lee Keogh Year 9 getting out of his wheelchair to play in goal. A memorable moment! Grace Bonner year 10 read the game well and played a winning shot from the left zone!

Ash stole it with Ben Lawson year 10 scoring the highest amount of goals. Finally after adding all the points together, Ash came out at the top of the scoreboard, but all students from all houses were happy to show excellent sporting etiquette by shaking hands and congratulating each other!

Thanks to all the TAs and TAPIs for score keeping and supporting our amazing students in what was possibly my favourite SEN sports day yet. Well done!!

Student Comments

Grace Bonner Yr 10
"Sen P.E was really fun and I really liked doing it all as well"

Josh Kimber Year 8
"It was fun, we had a sort of a Hockey game, running, Boccia, Javelin and throw the rings which we got points for. I came first in a race and second in Boccia. Everyone who was there had a great time"

Nicola Hauff - Yr 7
" I enjoyed being part of SEN Sports Day"

Sixth Form Induction Days

Year 11 into Year 12

Sara Ash, Assistant Headteacher



Year 11 students who are joining the Bushey Meads Sixth Form in September attended two inductions days on Tuesday 7th and Wednesday 8th July. On Tuesday they were introduced to the Sixth Form team, given information about expectations and started to complete their Getting Ahead Task which they will complete over the holidays.



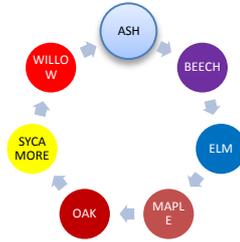
On Wednesday the students got into 6 groups to take part in team building activities.



Each group were scored on their ability to plan, communicate, be motivated, work together and success in completing the activity. A great time was had by all with new friendships being formed and skills learnt.



Bushey Meads School House Update



It has been a very busy year for the Houses with a large variety of activities and competitions taking place: House Cross Country, House Poetry Competition, House Fantasy Football, Year 7 House Xmas Party, House Sports, House Music, House Debating, Sports Day, House Charities and the House Councils.

The semi-finals and final of the House Debating Contest will be taking place on Monday 13th July with Ash, Beech, Elm and Willow getting through the opening rounds.



Ash House versus Maple House in the Debating contest.

House groups also took part in House activities on Sports Day with a Health and Sports related Quiz and a team building activity to see who could build the tallest, free standing tower out of newspaper and straws.

All these activities will be added to the House points totals to see which House will be awarded the House Cup. Well done to everyone who took part.

Sports & Health Quiz

HOUSE	TOTAL
SYCAMORE	411.5
BEECH	386
OAK	372
ELM	358
MAPLE	350.5
ASH	349.5
WILLOW	337.5

Tallest Tower

HOUSE	POINTS
OAK	88
ELM	71
WILLOW	62
ASH	62
BEECH	59
SYCAMORE	59
MAPLE	58

The Prison of Souls



Mr Bilton – Head of Science

Part 4 of 4

With a shove the small wooden door swings open, and you pull yourself up and through it. Despite the relief of escaping the living dead and the crushing ceiling, you are shocked and confused to find yourself standing in a garden. The ceiling is made of stone, but the chamber is lit as if in full sun. A tree, the green foliage moving in the breeze, stands beside a small sparkling pond. You turn around but the door you came through has gone.

You suddenly notice the sound of singing, and making your way deeper into the garden you are surprised to see a man sitting on a thin flat stone, strumming a harp. For a while you are entranced by his voice, and then he notices you and stops playing.

“Hello there friend,” he says. “You look tired. Why not sit and rest? Why worry about anything anymore when you can stay here in this beautiful garden?”

You sit down, feeling calm and relaxed. After a minute something niggles in the back of your mind. Weren't you trying to escape something?

The man continues singing, his voice making you feel sleepy.

**“REST NOW, LAY DOWN IN THE GRASS,
LEAVE WORRIES BEHIND YOU, YOUR LIFE NOW HAS PAST”**

The last line of the song startles you from your trance. Looking around clearly now, you notice that the ‘stone’ you thought the man was sitting on is actually a grave stone. And what’s more, it’s has your name on it!

You jump to your feet, grabbing Ice Blade, and as you do the air around you seems to shimmer, and to your astonishment the garden scene dissolves away. The blue sky and grass vanish to reveal that you are still in a dark and dank dungeon room. The floor is covered in bones, and worst of all, the man is no man at all. In his place is a foul ghoul, tatters of cloth hanging from his decaying and putrid flesh.

He reaches for you and you dash away, leaving the trap behind you. You run until the corridor you are in ends at a wall with two openings. Each opening is covered by a strange glowing surface; one red, and one green. Carved above the two portals is the number 3 and a message:

WR UHWXUQ WR OLIH, FKRRVH WKH FRORXU RI EORRG

Final Puzzle: Which portal do you step through?

You step through, and then everything goes dark. You have the strange sensation of falling upwards, rushing faster and faster and faster and...

You open your eyes with a jolt. You are on your back, looking up at the sky. You can hear the sound of fighting and looking around, it all comes back. You are a knight. You were fighting against the King’s enemies when you fell from your horse. Had you died? Had you really escaped the Prison of Souls?

No matter – the important thing is that you’re alive now. So happy are you to have escaped that you don’t notice the arrow dropping from the sky, heading straight for your chest...

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