

# ckv CULTURAL Newsletter

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## Award winning short films.....



Short films are a very specialised area of film making. The links here give you a sample of some of the possibilities. These examples all have love as a central theme, although one as a nice contrast is about greed. Another month and another theme will be the subject. Some of them are animation, some are real action, most of them are quite simple and straight forward, although one has a slightly heavier edge to it.

Grab yourself a cola and a packet of pop corn and sit back and enjoy!

## A contribution from Ko in V5....

### Ben Howard

If you have a little gap left in your music playlist, this is one way to fill it: Ben Howard. Ben is a 24-year old singer-songwriter and one of the promises of the UK. His first album, *Every Kingdom*, was released in October last year, now he plays all over the world.

If you get the chance to see him on Pinkpop or Rockwerchter this year, try not to miss him!



If you would like to contribute something cultural....mail me at [p.sansom@maaslandcollege.nl](mailto:p.sansom@maaslandcollege.nl) I don't promise to place everything, but convince me of the merits of your favourite things...anything cultural, art, film, music, fashion, theatre....etc.



## Free creative software....

We all know that creative software can be expensive. By clicking on the logos here you can get the chance to download two different pieces of software, totally free and totally legally. Both download sites also offer links to tutorials or you can find plenty on YouTube.

The Gimp is more geared up for working with photographs and a bit of digital painting, whilst Inkscape more for vector graphics.



## Cultural baggage

What is the cultural background of your teachers, what are their favourite things? Which teacher gave the answers below?



*What album/track do you remember listening to when you were at school and loving?*

I remember that at the final year of secondary school the track 'Smells Like Teen Spirit' by Nirvana was really huge. I recall that the teachers ordered the DJ at a school party to stop the song halfway through because of the 'violent' dancing that went with it. We loved it!

*What are you listening to a lot at the moment?*

I still like guitar-based music, but things have perhaps gotten a bit more sophisticated than the 3-chord Nirvana songs. Arcade Fire, Elbow, dEUS, Other Lives are on my playlist now.

*What book did you enjoy when you were at school and would recommend to pupils at school?*

I remember that 'The Secret History' by Donna Tart kept me reading deep into the night at the age of 16-17.

*Favorite film from your school days?*

We were really into the TV series 'Twin Peaks' and the prequel movie 'Fire Walk With Me'. You never understood what was going on but still you wanted more!

*Which film could you watch again and again?*

None! After two or three times it's quite enough. Besides, there are so many other movies to watch!

*What's the best film you've seen in the last year?*

A Separation (Oscar for Best Foreign Film 2012)

*What is the most amazing building that you have ever seen?*

Sagrada Familia in Barcelona

If you don't recognize any of the answers above, why not look them up. Who knows, you might start to understand your teachers a little better! In this case, Mnr. Knops