

## PREPARATORY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

### FROM THE HEADMASTER

#### Year 4 & 5 Information Evening

A final reminder that on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> May we will be holding our Information Evening for parents of children in Years 4 & 5. The aim of the evening is to inform parents about arrangements for teaching in years 5 & 6 and for transfer to senior school at 11. I am sure the evening will be extremely valuable to parents but if you have attended one of these evenings in the last couple of years, most of what will be said is extremely similar to previous years. If you are unable to attend the meeting but would like further information, please contact Mr Gatherer through the School Office.

#### Swimming

Congratulations to the teams who took part in the first round of the National Primary Schools relays at Millfield on Monday. All swimmers produced outstanding performances. In the Medley Relays both the Boys and Girls teams came a very creditable 4th. In the Free Relay the boys qualified for the National finals at Ponds Forge in Sheffield with a time of 1m 7s. The girls came 3rd by 0.17 of a second with a time of 1m 6s.



The teams were – **Boys:** Ollie Lord, Jacob Keogh, William Jones, Piers Dupree-Thomas and Ollie Piper; **Girls:** Charlotte Toptani, Natasha Spiers, Ellen Murphy and Catherine Bishop.

Congratulations to Charlotte Toptani, Ellen Murphy and Jacob Keogh who have qualified for the National Prep schools swimming championships at K2 in Crawley. We wish all the individuals and teams all the best for these events.

#### School Play

Rehearsals are well under way for this year's school play A Midsummer Night's Dream which will involve all of Year 6 and the choir. On Tuesday I will be looking for volunteers from Year 3 who would like to play wood elves, sprites, pixies and other supporting roles. There may be a few parts available for pupils in Years 4 & 5.

#### E-Safety

Following my note in last week's newsletter I have had a couple of parents saying how sorry they are that they missed the E-Safety evening. We would be prepared to offer another E-Safety talk for parents but only if we were sure there was sufficient interest. If you would be interested in attending a talk on E-Safety please telephone Reception on 01752 201352.

### COMMUNITY AWARDS

This week's Community Awards were given to:

Rec'n: Leopold Peeters for a positive attitude and settling well into his new class

Year 1: Megan Harmse for being a good friend

Year 2: Arpitha Abraham for a mature attitude in all areas of school life

Year 3: Joe Sair for helpfulness with a new pupil

Year 4: Bertie Ratsey for a cheerful and enthusiastic attitude

Year 5: Snigdha Mahajan for helpful behaviour

Year 6: Hamish Rose for consistent polite and helpful behaviour

### HEADMASTER'S COMMENDATIONS

Paul Sundaram in 4NF for producing a wonderful holiday diary (presented today)

George Hadjiyiannakis in 4NF for producing a wonderful holiday diary (presented today)

Thomas Lamerton in RKC for producing a wonderful holiday diary (presented today)

Rhys Robinson in RKC for producing a wonderful holiday diary (presented today)

Martha Elder in RKC for producing a wonderful holiday diary (presented today)

Finlay Hosking in 3PA for reading **60** books

Lalit Kathiresan in 2MW for earning 20 House Points

Isabel Humphery in RCT for producing a wonderful holiday diary

Zoe Lancaster in 2AP for earning 20 House Points

George Barnes in 2AP for producing a wonderful holiday diary

Lauren Hession in 3PA for earning 40 House Points

### OTHER ITEMS

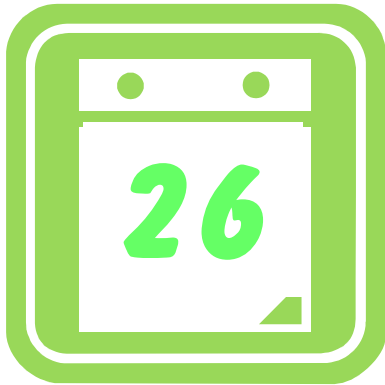
#### Lost Property

Charlotte Treharne in 3NA lost her black overcoat and her swimming hat before the spring holiday. Both items are named so can parents please check at home to see if either item has been brought home by mistake.

Elizabeth Wilcox in 3NA has lost TWO cardigans. Both are named so again, can parents please check their child's uniform for these. Thank you.

## **FRIENDS' DIARY**

The Countdown has begun to the Summer Fair!! We are busy booking attractions, sourcing stalls and generally making a lot of lists! Please make sure you put Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> June in your diary as it is set to be a fun packed afternoon!



As always we will be producing a programme of all the attractions and events as well as advertising some of Plymouth's finest businesses – if

you would like to advertise in our programme please contact us at [faynewcombe@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:faynewcombe@blueyonder.co.uk) as soon as possible.

The Infant Concert DVD should be coming home with your child today. We do hope you enjoy watching it and reliving the moment. Thank you very much for supporting us with this purchase.

## **FORTHCOMING EVENTS AND FIXTURES**

### **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2010**

May Day Bank Holiday – School Closed

### **Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May**

Year 1 classes to visit Saltram House All Day

### **Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> May**

1<sup>st</sup> XI Cricket v Senior School 20/20 2.15pm

Year 4 & 5 Information Evening 6.30pm

### **Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> May**

Year 5 classes to visit the Synagogue am only

### **YEAR 6 FRENCH TRIP**

We still require two parents to volunteer to be a contact for the French Trip return journey. If your child is going on the trip and you are willing to take telephone enquiries from a group of parents to confirm arrival times, could you please contact Mr Wayne with contact details.

### **GUITAR LESSONS**

Please note that Mrs Scoble has been delayed overseas and will commence Guitar lessons next week on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> May and each following Monday from then on. Pupils will only be charged for 8 lessons this term instead of the normal 10.

## ***NOTICE***

The Cake sale, scheduled for 3.00pm today, has been postponed due to the gloomy weather forecast. We will endeavour to run the cake sale on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May (weather permitting) at the same time, so please bring your pocket money to buy some yummy cakes in aid of 'Professor Winston's Women for Women'.



