

10th February 2012

PLYMOUTH COLLEGE PREPARATORY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

FROM THE HEADMASTER

Half Term

I wish you all have a very restful half term and hope the children come back fully refreshed for a very busy second half of term.

Spoken Poetry Competition

Well done to all those who took part in the Spoken Poetry Competition. All the children should be very proud of their achievements. The results were as follows:

Year 5

- 1st Archie Smith
- 2nd Isabella Charlesworth
- equal 3rd Peter Colam
Flossie Postle-Hacon
Lauren Hession
Hannah Kelly

Year 6

- 1st Bertie Ratsey
- 2nd George Hadjiyiannakis
- 3rd Jocelyn Wannell
- 4th Tegan Drew
- 5th Paul Sundaram

Reports

This is a reminder that pupils in 3, 4 & 5 will be having their reports posted to parents on 1st March. Year 6 will be getting Grade sheets at the end of term. If you have any queries please contact Mr Gatherer via the school office.

Swimming Gala

I would like to say a very big well done to all of the Year 3 & 4 pupils who swam so well at the Gala on Tuesday this week. The First Place certificates were presented at assembly this morning.

Pots of Care



It is time to bring your beautiful daffodils back to school. Could the children please bring their **named** pots to school on Friday 24th February to display in the Chapel for the day? We will be collecting any sponsor money/donations on that day too. Your child will be able to bring their pot home again on that Friday afternoon.

COMMUNITY AWARDS

This week the Community Awards were given to:

- Rec: Sebastian Bleasdale for being helpful
- Year 1: Beatrice Inns for a cheerful and positive attitude
- Year 2: Hussain Al Fayly and Rocky Dutta for settling into their new class so well
- Year 3: Danielle Trathen for helpful and polite behaviour
- Year 4: George Barnes for helpful and friendly behaviour
- Year 5: Flossie Postle-Hacon for polite and helpful behaviour
- Year 6: Mariam Bihnam for a reliable and positive attitude

HEADMASTER'S COMMENDATIONS

Harris Habib in 5LM for his wonderful letter of thanks

Joshua Oliver in 2AP for earning 20 House Points

Oliver Smith in 3PA for reading 40 books

Abagael Black in 3PA for reading 60 books

Finn Brooker in 3PA for reading 40 books

Ella Kelley in 3NA for earning 20 House Points

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Fardeen Gafoor in 3NA for earning 20 House Points

Jade Wenham-Crossley in 3NA for reading 60 books

Ella Clarke in 3NA for reading 60 books

Phoebe Burrige in 3NA for reading 40 books

Joshua Browning in 3NA for earning 20 House Points

Megan Shorey in 3NA for reading 60 books

Ben Zickert in 3NA for reading 60 books

Fardeen Gafoor in 3NA for reading 40 books

Emillie Avakian in 3PA for reading 60 books

Annabelle Bryce in 3PA for reading 60 books

Mohammed Al Mazrouei in 3PA for reading 40 books

Megan Harmse in 3PA for earning 20 House Points

Oscar Boyhan Irvine in 5LM for writing a super letter to a school in The Gambia

Lauren Hession in 5DH for writing a super letter to a school in The Gambia

FRIENDS' DIARY

The Wine and Wisdom Evening was a great success— super company, delicious food and lots of laughs. A very big Thank You to our quiz master, Mr Gatherer and to Jeanette, for keeping the scores on the doors! Thanks to Pat and Tash, our two barmaids, for giving up their evening to support us. Thanks to Mike and his team for all their help and a special Thank You to Sarah for some superb cheesy nibbles! And last but by no means least a huge Thank You to Chrissie for so seamlessly and professionally organizing the whole event!

On Friday 24th February and back by popular demand will be **Ice Pop Friday!**

Full details of our Ball will be released after half term!

Dates for your diary:

Friday 24th February – Ice Pop Friday

Saturday 12th May – The Jubilee Ball

FORTHCOMING EVENTS AND FIXTURES

Tuesday 21st February

Year 6 to take part in German Karneval during DT lessons PM only

Steve Blake from Royal Mail to visit the Year 1 classes

Wednesday 22nd February

U11s A & B Netball v Exeter Junior (H) 2.00pm

Thursday 23rd February

First Steps Music Concert in the Chapel 4.30pm

Friday 24th February

Larkman Cup Cross Country competition for U9s and U11s at Blundell's (A) 2.00pm

OTHER ITEMS

Speech & Drama

This is a reminder for parents of children in Years 3 & 4 who are taking solo introductory LAMDA exams. If photographs or books have not yet been sent into school, children need to bring them no later than the week after half term, please. This will give the children time to practise their conversation with me. Thank you.

June Pick

OPM Junior Rugby

The teams for the U5s and upwards will train this week at Compton C of E School because the pitches at Plymouth College are out! From next week the training will be at King George playing fields at Elburton.



Charity Ball

I am delighted to inform you of the upcoming charitable event in support of Romain Larrieu's Testimonial year. It has been a tough 12 months for Plymouth Argyle, but Le Keeper has continued to represent his club throughout and is now proud to be the lead coach for the team. After 10 years at the club, Romain has a year of events planned, which started with the successful Testimonial Match in July 2011. On 25th February 2012, Romain is hosting "Le Grand Ball" to celebrate his career and support three local charities:

- The Mustard Tree, Macmillan Cancer Support
- CATS (community action through sport)
- Jeremiah's Journey

Please see the poster on the school notice board. The contact email for tickets or more information is: carolyn@hardwickhr.co.uk

We are expecting many of the current team to attend Le Grand Ball together with some very special guests from over the last 10 years.

The event is at the Holiday Inn, in Plymouth; tables of 10 are £500 and individual tickets are £55 each. The hotel is also offering a discounted room rate. The evening will include a 3 course meal with a French twist, personally chosen by Romain. There will also be various entertainment including music, magic and comedy, together with a raffle of excellent gifts and an auction of sporting and exciting memorabilia.

If you would like to join Romain in celebration of his 10 years at Plymouth Argyle Football Club, please let us know at the above email as soon as possible so that we can reserve your place.

Ballet

Congratulations to all the children, listed below, who performed brilliantly in their 'Primary in Dance' ballet exams. Certificates were presented at this morning's celebration assembly:

Inaas Attellesy –
73% Merit Awarded a silver medal

Joanna Sells –
78% Distinction Awarded a gold medal

Katie Treharne –
62% Merit Awarded a silver medal

Molly Boyhan Irvine –
72% Merit Awarded a silver medal

Thomas Lamerton –
75% Distinction Awarded a gold medal

RESULTS

Friday 3rd February

Cross Country competition at St Petroc's:

Individual Results: George Spencer 4th
Phoebe Tank 4th
Joe Taylor 4th

Team Results: U11 Boys team 1st
U11 Girls team 3rd
U9 Boys team 3rd

Wednesday 8th February

U11s A Football v Mount House (L) 2 – 11

U11s B Football v Mount House (L) 2 – 3

U11s A Netball v Mount House (L) 6 – 20

U11s B Netball v Mount House (L) 5 – 17

The scores above do not reflect the effort put in by every member of every team!

Quiz Night

An excellent, fun evening was had by all. The winners, in reverse order were:

Third Place – who will each receive a certificate.

Green Army

Mike Packham	Mr Hedgecock
Mike O'Hagan	Mark Frampton
Tash Warne	Pat Yeomans

Second Place – who will each receive a certificate and a limited edition pen!

The Inmates

Mr & Mrs Thorpe
Mr & Mrs Wilson
Mr & Mrs Aston

First Place – who will each receive a certificate, a limited edition pen and received a huge box of chocolates on the night!

Always the Bridesmaids

Chrissie Haffenden	Jim Haffenden
Sue Graham	Frank Wavish

**Wishing you all a
very happy and
restful half term.**

**Second half of term
starts on Monday
20th February**