



From The Headmaster

Happy New Year to everyone and welcome back to those of you who returned to school on Monday! Thankfully it looks as though we have seen the worst of the snow now along with the disruption it has caused and we can get back to normality. Thank you for your cooperation last week with school closures and for continuing to drive with great care on school premises while it is still slippery.

congratulations...

Lauren Talbott who was awarded a trophy for most promising dancer at the Azure Theatre School at the end of last term and gained Distinctions in modern, tap and ballet exams.

Oille Radotlic in TW who was U6 Player of the Week for Maidenhead Rugby Club.

Peter de Souza who gained a Distinction in Grade 6 saxophone.

Christopher Dawkins, Harry Maskell, Charlie Harris and Robyn Watkins who completed the Marlow Santa's Fun Run in December.

Daniel Mussett who was U8s Player of the Day for Marlow RFC with 4 tries in a row.

Hugo Renucci who was Player of the Day for Marlow RFC U11s, and praised for consistently good rucking.

Rosie Harris and Hannah Dawkins who both received their first BAGA Gym Award 8.

Ethan Carter who took part in a City of Oxford Winter Swimming Gala Level 2 and came 1st in 200m backstroke and gained 2nd place in 4 other races.

Jodie Powell who gained Most Improved Street Jazz dancer with the Azure Theatre Group.

Dela Ayres who has been cast in the production of Billy Elliot at Richmond Theatre due to start over the Easter holidays.

FROM THE DEPUTY HEAD

☆ There will be no Industry or Leadership scores this week due to the number of absences in school. We will however be sending them home effective from 22nd January.

☆ Last term's Parents' Forum requested if there could be changes in The Upper School prep timetable to allow parents to see different subjects at the weekend. Due to teacher's timetables complete changes across the board are not possible, however I have made some changes which hopefully will go some way to answer the request.

I have attached this term's prep timetable for you and the children have been given this information as well which you can find in the back of their prep diaries.

Mr Das Gupta

Book Week 2010

Monday 1st February – Friday 5th February

Book week 2010 is coming, with lots of exciting events for the whole school!

Monday 1st: Waterstones will be in Big School from 3.30pm until 6.30pm. They will be bringing a whole selection books for all ages, including books by some of our visiting authors

Wednesday 3rd: Author **Heather Butler** will be with Lower School all day. Her exciting Dragon project will provide fun and writing opportunities for Transition and Years 1 and 2.

Thursday 4th: Poet **Coral Rumble** will be leading workshops with Middle School all day. Also, Thursday is **Character Day**. Come to school dressed up as your favourite book character and show off your costume in Book Week Assembly.

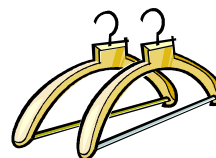
Friday 5th: Author **Wes Magee** is working with Upper School all day, helping us to become real writers and have some fun too.

Look out for the St. Piran's publication 'We are Writers', an anthology of work from throughout the school, produced in Book Week. This will be on sale in the Summer Term. Further details to follow.



New volunteers required for school uniform shop!

If you can help out from 8.30-9.30am on a Tuesday morning, please contact Mrs Qureshi on 07595 895145.



If no one comes forward, the Tuesday shop will have to close at half term.

Swimming Marathon 2010

Thank you to everyone who took part in this event. It was a great afternoon of swimming and it would not have worked without all your support and participation.

Our teams each swam over 100 lengths. St. Piran's swimmers swam 1016 lengths of the magnet pool in total. This is 25,400 metres – nearly 17 miles. Brilliant effort and swimming.

Our younger swimmers were outstanding and had fun. It was very impressive how well everyone swam.

The Lions Club passed on their thanks for all our hard work and enthusiasm. They said how well the children swim and they continue to be delighted that St. Piran's School participate in their biggest fund raising event of the year.

Our team captains were as organised as ever and managed to keep us all going for the hour. It makes the whole event such a pleasure to coordinate when everyone works hard and puts in so much effort. Our Captains this year were Mila Coombs, Phillippa Hendry, Helena Shirley, Claire Dawkins, Sarah Wadsworth, Andy Burnage, Penny Taylor, Megan Sadie and Viv Jones. Thank you to Caitlin Sadie for counting laps on the day!

We wait to find out our total amount of sponsorship raised this year. I need you to collect your sponsorship money in as quickly as possible and hand it in to the swimming pool office or the main school office. It looks as though it may be over £3,000 which is a record in itself.

Sponsor Money

If you could do this by Friday 29 January it would greatly assist me. All monies need to be collected in order for us to present the cheque to Wendy Stafford for the nominated charity, "Help for Heroes".

Once again, many thanks to everyone involved and to those of you who sponsored us.

Mrs. Burnage

We have found our Clarion Call communication with parents very useful during the spell of bad weather. If you have not been receiving our text messages, please ensure we have your current mobile phone number. Email the school (office@stpirans.co.uk) so we can ensure our records are updated. Thank you.



Open Morning at Abingdon School on Saturday 16th January from 9.30am-12.30pm.

www.abingdon.org.uk

01235 849041

Open Morning at St Joseph's Convent on Tuesday 26th January from 9.15am to 12.15pm.

www.st-josephs.reading.sch.uk

0118 9661000

DATES FOR NEXT WEEK- Week beginning 18th January

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
18	19	20	21	22	23
9-11am Aesop's Touring Theatre Company to visit Year 3	Girls' 11+ Common Entrance Exams	2.30pm Football v Long Close 1st XI (H)	4pm Maidenhead and District Netball League fixture at Kidwells Park—tbc	4.10pm Prefects' Tea	10am Past Pupils' Meeting
Girls' 11+ Common Entrance Exams	2.45pm Boys' Cross Country at Caldicott U11, U13	2.30pm Football v Chesham Prep U11C (A)		5.15pm Chapel Service: Mr Chris Carlier, Bradfield College	
12.45 Eco Schools Meeting (rearranged date)	3pm Football at Long Close U9A and U8A (H)	4pm Hockey v Godstowe U11A and U11B (A)			
1.10pm School Parliament	3.45pm Hockey v Chesham Prep U9A and U9B (A)	4pm Hockey v Chesham Prep U10A and U10B (A)			
		6.30pm Governors' Marketing Committee Meeting			



Upper School - Preps Easter Term 2010

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	8Q	7H	6DG	6T	6G	5W	5H	5F
MONDAY	FRENCH	MATHS	ENGLISH	ENGLISH	ENGLISH	ENGLISH	ENGLISH	ENGLISH
TUESDAY	SCIENCE	SCIENCE	SCIENCE	SCIENCE	SCIENCE	GEOGRAPHY	GEOGRAPHY	GEOGRAPHY
WEDNESDAY	ENGLISH	HISTORY						
THURSDAY	HISTORY	GEOGRAPHY	HISTORY OR GEOGRAPHY	HISTORY OR GEOGRAPHY	HISTORY OR GEOGRAPHY	MATHS	MATHS	MATHS
WEEKEND	GEOGRAPHY MATHS R.E.	ENGLISH FRENCH R.E.	R.E. OR FRENCH MATHS	R.E. OR FRENCH MATHS	R.E. OR FRENCH MATHS	R.E. OR HISTORY SCIENCE	R.E. OR HISTORY SCIENCE	R.E. OR HISTORY SCIENCE