



From The Headmaster

Absences During the School Day

*All absences during a school day must be approved by myself. Parents should request an absence in advance, and in writing. The only exception to this is for simple medical absences which should be notified to Matron. **Pupils must sign in and out** in the relevant book in Matron's office.*

*All pupils in Years 5 and 6 who leave at either 4.10 p.m. or 5.10 p.m. **must sign out** in Matron's office. It is the responsibility of each pupil to do this and in future, any one who fails to sign out will receive a minus.*

Book Week

You will have received a letter today with all the plans for next week. I hope you will support the Book Fair on Tuesday afternoon and help your children with their Book Character outfit on Thursday!

***Daffodil planting!** Thank you for the donations to the Marie Curie Cancer Charity! Well over 1200 bulbs were planted and we can now look forward to a lovely splash of colour in the future around the grounds!*

MAGAZINES WANTED URGENTLY



If you have any unwanted Sunday Supplements or Women's magazines please take them to the Art Room where they will be put to good use.

Senior School Open Days

Headington School, Oxford [Girls' day and boarding]: Open Morning Tuesday 17th March, 10 am to 11.30 am. Booking essential. Ring 01865 759113 or e-mail admissions@headington.org

Pipers Corner School, Great Kingshill [Girls' boarding and day]: Open Mornings Wednesday 29 April 2009, 9.30–11.30 am.

Queen Anne's School, Caversham [Girls day and boarding]: Open Afternoon Friday 20th February 3 pm. Headmistress's address at 4.45 p.m. Telephone Jane Gallie on 0118 918 7333 or e-mail admissions@quas.org.uk Queen Anne's will also hold **Taster Days** on 4th February and 11th March; a **Boarding Taster Weekend** on 14th and 15th March and a **13+ Taster Day and Science Technology Challenge** on Fri 20th February from 8am–4.30pm. Application forms for these can be obtained from the school office.

USEFUL PHONE NUMBERS

Please try to use direct telephone numbers to contact staff where possible

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Nursery Department	01628 594340
St Piran's Centre	01628 594343
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Bursar	01628 594308
Financial Bursar	01628 594310
School Office	01628 594300
PE and Games Department	01628 594327

swimming match report

St Piran's v Davenies - Tuesday 27th January

The final score was 174 points to Davenies and 182 points to St Piran's.

50 personal best times were recorded and many school speed awards were achieved. Gold speed awards were achieved for the first time by Matthew Sloman and Ethan Carter. Abi King set a new school record in 40 metres backstroke. Really well done all of you; there were some great swims.

Best swims on the night were too many to mention. Tom Banks, Ethan Carter, Georgina Harris and Hannah Shirley showed outstanding improvement. Tyler Spicer, Jack Comer and Fraser Russell all continue to swim to a high standard.

The relays were exciting as always, but we won all the medley relays and 2 out of the 4 freestyle relays. There were good team performances, showing our strength as a whole squad. This was a great win and excellent swimming!

Thank you to all our supporters who came and watched. Also thanks to Mr Carter, Mr Hoy, Mrs Fricker and Mr Dale who helped on the day; we couldn't have done nearly so well without you all.

IAPS SWIMMING 2009

PRELIMINARY ROUNDS HELD ON WEDNESDAY 28 JANUARY AT MALTMAN'S GREEN

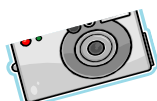
Team Members: Jack Comer, Tyler Spicer, Fraser Russell, Charlie Smee, Nick Burnage, Tom Banks, James Sloman, Peter de Souza, Abi King, Olivia Savage, Charlotte Comer, Georgina Harris, Ellen Dawson, Theo Toaldo, Richard Derry, Edward Hayward, Edward Brown, Joe Bright, Alfie Rippon, Patrick Digby, Peter Coope, Ethan Carter, Ross Johnstone, Gregor Peberdy, Katy Lillie, Emma Wace, Lauren Jones, Athena Peberdy and Hannah Shirley.

This was a great evening of swimming, producing some great times. The swimmers were all a credit to themselves and St Piran's, setting fast times that we hope will get them into the finals. Everyone had really good individual and team swims. Well done. Edward Brown was a star and I would like to thank him for his quick thinking! Thank you to everyone who took part. There was a lot of pressure and waiting around.

Our Small Schools 8 x 25m freestyle relay team did well. The 8 boys who took part managed to produce a time of 2 minutes and 12 seconds. Good swimming by you all – Tyler Spicer, Jack Comer, Fraser Russell, Charlie Smee, Edward Hayward, Richard Derry, Alfie Rippon and Ethan Carter. **The girls and boys freestyle and medley relay team** all produced good times. It would be an excellent result to make the finals in either of these events.

We wait to hear now to see who will qualify for the national competition held in May at the K2 Crawley Swimming Pool. Thank you to Miss Wyatt for coming with us. Mrs Carter was a timekeeper for the whole event and we are grateful for her support. Mr Jones was fantastic in helping organise the swimmers for their races and keeping everyone calm.

Mrs Burnage



Class Photographs

REMINDER

If you have ordered but not yet received your class photo, please collect it from the school office as soon as possible.

Thank you

congratulations to... 

...Ahmad Hussain

who achieved a 1st and 2nd place in a kick boxing tournament.

...Frederik McArthur

who played for the Maidenhead U8's hockey team and was presented with a medal for taking part in the Wallingford Tournament. His team won 3 matches and lost only 1.

Dates for w/6 2nd February, 2009

Monday

Book Week and Study Skills Week

Tuesday

2.30pm Netball v The Oratory—U9A & B, U8A & B (A)

3 pm Football v Gayhurst—U9A, B & C (H)

Wednesday

9.30—11.30am Aesop's Touring Theatre Company—Tippet Hall

2pm Girls' Hockey v Eagle House—U11A & B, U10A & B (at Wellington College)

2.30pm Football v Gayhurst—1st XI (A), 2nd XI (H), U11A (A), U11B & C (H)

Thursday

Character Day for Book Week

2.15pm Cross Country v Eagle House—U13, U11 Girls and Boys (A)

2.30pm Football v Gayhurst—U8A, B & C (A)

3pm Football v Thorpe House—U9A & B (H)

3.30pm Netball v Eagle House—U9 & U8 (A)

4pm Maidenhead & District Netball League at Kidwells Park (tbc)

Friday

5.15pm Chapel Service—Revd Roy Taylor