

Skiers had a great time



On the first morning, members of the course having little or no experience of skiing on snow were peering with varying degrees of trepidation over the edge of a nursery slope. By the end of the day, the same pupils were showing off their expertise in making snow-plough turns like seasoned professionals. Those with more experience had been carried high on the chairlifts and at the end of their day amazed us

with descriptions of their progress towards Olympic Gold as downhill racers. Five more days of exhilarating skiing followed, three of them in glorious sunshine and two in cloud and falling snow with the challenges such conditions present. Everyone skied long runs which took them down from well over 7500 ft, all skied reds and some were taking blacks (including even "The Wall"!) AG

Anglo/Welsh Mini Rugby Festival

Once again, the Lucton School sponsored Anglo/Welsh Mini Rugby Festival at Luctonians proved a massive success. The festival took place last Sunday, the 19th April, when over 1000 young players from U7 to U12 were in attendance, representing 15 clubs in 65 teams. Rain early in the week followed by glorious sunshine on the day meant that conditions were perfect for open running rugby. Rhiwbina from Cardiff once again dominated

proceedings, winning 4 out of the 6 age groups. The Luctonians teams competed well in the league stages and qualified through to semi finals at U8 and U11.

Mike Hodgson, Chairman of the Lucton School Governors was on hand to present the finalists with their awards and he concluded by thanking Richard Corbett, the Festival Organiser and his army of volunteers for all their efforts in putting on such a marvellous day.

The Friends of Lucton School

The Fashion Show at the end of last term raised over £1,500 and at the same time, it was also a great evening.

Our first event this term will be on the 17th May, when we are holding a brand new event for Lucton, a 'Pet Show', but with a difference. It will not be in the Crufts mould and fun defines most of the classes that will be open to entrants, here are just some of the categories:

Rabbits: Fluffiest rabbit; biggest ears.

General: Most unusual small pet.

Fish: Photograph of the most colourful fish owned by a pupil.

Hamsters: Liveliest hamster.

Cats: Most beautiful cat.

Dogs: Most like owner; waggiest tail; cleverest dog; obstacle course; fun dog scurry.

There will also be snail racing, hot dogs and ice cream, a pet quiz and other stands. There is an entry form and I hope it will be accompanying your copy of this newsletter. If not, or if you would like more copies, please contact the main school office. You could enter on the day, but early entries will aid planning.

We are holding a Friends' Planning Meeting next Thursday at 7.30pm, and everyone is welcome to attend. If you would like to become more involved in any Friends' activities, please contact, Sarah Handley-Edgar on her mobile: 07967362246, or by e-mail: sez@bromyard43.fsnet.co.uk and if you leave a message and contact number, Sarah will get back to you.

LUCTON FUN PET SHOW

Sunday 17th May, 2.00pm to 5.00pm

Entry kept low, at just £1 per class, to encourage you to enter as many classes as possible. Classes that are guaranteed to make you smile, from the fluffiest rabbit to the liveliest hamster. No end of dog categories and the most unusual small pet (preferably in its cage).

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Holiday work

Our maintenance team had a busy time over Easter and the hire of an access platform ensured that a great number of high-level maintenance tasks were completed.

We are also extremely grateful to Old Luctonian, Adrian Hope, who donated the services of a large team from his company of tree surgeons. They were at the school for a few days, tidying up some of the bigger roadside trees and generally attending to many of the trees that were presenting problems.



Asthma inhalers

Would all asthma sufferers please ensure that they provide a spare inhaler to be kept in the medical room. For legal reasons, we are not able to allow the use of other pupils' inhalers and so it is very important that the Matron holds a spare for all sufferers in case of an emergency.

From the Boarding House

The glorious weather on Monday welcomed back the boarders, in particular the new students Alex who arrived from sunny California and Vladimir and Philip from Russia. As the weather was so good, it meant that most of the boarders were outside playing cricket in the nets, tennis or generally just running about on the field. This term we are all looking forward to doing a lot more outdoor activities in the weekend and during the week; the usual cricket, tennis, rounders and swimming will take place. The senior pupils no doubt will be applying themselves to as much study as possible as their exams approach. The gaps have arrived back refreshed and they enjoyed their travels abroad over the holidays. We look forward to more fantastic weather as we enter into what will be a busy summer term.

E-mail newsletter

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Sunday Service

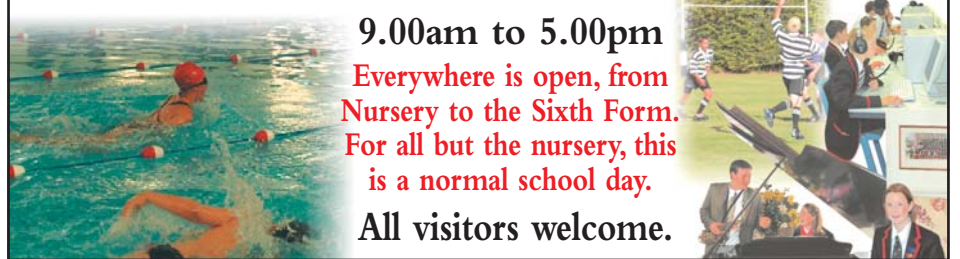
The Chaplain will hold a family service next Sunday, 3rd May, in the Memorial Hall at 10.30am. Everyone is welcome to attend.

OPEN DAY - BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY 4th MAY

9.00am to 5.00pm

Everywhere is open, from Nursery to the Sixth Form. For all but the nursery, this is a normal school day.

All visitors welcome.



SPORTS REPORT

U14 RUGBY – As county champions, we were invited to participate in the Herefordshire and Worcestershire Rugby Finals at Sixways, Worcester to compete against the best teams from both counties. First, we played a huge Evesham side and despite losing by a try, Lucton dominated most of the territory and possession. Our final match against Chantry was a must win match to progress into the final but the boys again lost by one late try. Tom Looms scored Lucton's solitary try after a good forward drive. Scott Parker, Peter Gray, Harry Whiteman and Matt Handley shone in the forwards, while Martin Reece-Pitt, Frank Kelly and Sam Griffiths had their moments in the backline. Mr Looms thanks the team for their commitment and congratulates them on their success throughout the season as well as the support from all the boys' parents.

NEXT WEEK'S FIXTURES

Wed Apr 29th U13 & U15 Mixed Swimming v Bedstone (H), 2.00pm
Senior Cricket v Bedstone (A), 2.00pm
U14 & U16 Rounders v Tenbury (A), 3.00pm

A reminder to all parents

As we approach the summer term, it is important that pupils wear the correct clothing during games. Boys are expected to wear white shorts or cricket trousers along with white cricket shirts. Girls will be expected to wear white skirts and white polo shirts. All summer sports clothing is available from the school shop.



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