

Lucton's Equestrian Centre



Lucton School has bought the stables immediately opposite. The 13.4 acre site has stabling for 14 horses together with a lunge ring and a small school. For the last twenty years, the yard has been owned and run by Richard Mathias and his wife, Candy, where they have been breeding National Hunt thoroughbred racehorses. "Once we knew that the school was interested, we both wanted Lucton to have the yard. We have built it up over the years and are very pleased that the site will continue as an equestrian unit." Mrs Thorne is delighted with the school's purchase. "It is such a natural development for the school. A significant number of staff and pupils at Lucton School ride and the school plans to offer livery and lessons from



January, with the introduction of GCSE, A Level and BHS qualifications from next September. Miss Coates, already on the staff at Lucton School, will manage the new Lucton School Equestrian Centre. She has an Equine Degree and has lectured in Equine Studies. She is also a BHS riding instructor, a Pony Club examiner and is, of course, very well known locally for running the equine section of the Three Counties Show.

The Friends of Lucton School

Thank you to everyone who took part in the Croft Ambrey Sponsored Walk on Sunday. Preceded by lunch for all at 12.30pm, around 100 walkers set off in near-perfect walking weather. Would all walkers please collect their sponsorship money and bring it to either of the school offices. I forgot to mention last week, that Pam Bufton's Flower Arranging talk on Tuesday 10th November will have a 'Christmas Decorations' theme. Over half of the tickets for the Murder Mystery Evening on Saturday 5th December have been sold and we are certainly hoping for a sell-out. Set in 1920, the scene is the launch party of the SS Pierrepont. For tickets please call Julia 01885 482154 & Sarah 07967 362246. For more details see our great new event website: www.sspierrepont.moonfruit.com.

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.

Luctonian 2009 - last call for items

Most articles and images are in for the school magazine, so please send any remaining items as soon as possible.

Please send an e-mail to news@luctonschool.org to receive a pdf version of this newsletter.

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PAPER
ISSUE
OF
LUCTON
NEWS**

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This will not only reduce our carbon footprint, but will also bring considerable savings to the school, and ultimately all costs are reflected in the fee levels.

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Prep School Open Morning



The Prep School and Nursery Open Morning last Friday started with a well-attended assembly featuring members of Yr 5. We also met some new parents and pupils, some of whom have already arranged taster days!

Drama workshop



On Tuesday, the Pre Prep Department had enormous fun exploring the story of The Tiger Who Came to Tea. The workshop was led by Cate, from the Courtyard Theatre, and the children enjoyed acting in drama games and learning about the foods that keep us (and the tiger!) healthy.

From the Boarding House

The weekend started off with Movie Night and tuck on Friday but we were not up too late as we needed to be out bright and early for our trip to Cadbury World the next day.

Everyone enjoyed a thoroughly chocolaty day and the buses were much heavier on the way back after raiding the factory shop!

Sunday was, of course, Service, followed by the sponsored walk and then a late swim to ease the aching muscles. Well done to the runners and walkers alike!

Perfect weather for the walk



One hundred pupils, parents and friends joined in the sponsored walk on Saturday. See Friends' column for further details.

SPORTS REPORT

U14 RUGBY – vs. Tenbury (A). A strong win with the final score being 47-7. The team are now beginning to work together well, improving on performances earlier in the season. A special mention ought to go to John Kelly who scored 4 tries. Well done, John!

U11 RUGBY – vs. St. Richards (H). This was the first-ever U11 match as a team and Mr. Howard was really proud of the way they played. There were eight year 5s from the Prep School and they performed really well. The final score was 21-14 to Lucton and the team has shown great promise for the future.

U13 RUGBY – vs. Moor Park (H). Although we didn't win, the team played well and a special mention should go to Felix Morris in Year 6 who played against boys who were two years older (and bigger!). Well done, everyone!

U15 RUGBY – vs. Lady Hawkins (H). Well done to our U15s! This was a comfortable game throughout and gave Mr Howard and Mr Cowley opportunities to see boys playing in new positions. The final result was 40-7 with Luke Hallam scoring his first-ever try for the school!

U12 & U13 GIRLS NETBALL – vs Lady Hawkins. Lady Hawkins brought a combined team and they played first against our U13 team. Our girls played very well and won by 5 goals to 2. Rachael Murtagh was the player of the match. Our U12 team then played against the same team. They had a slow start but they grew in confidence as the match progressed. We won this game by 9 goals to 5. Well done, both teams!

NEXT WEEK'S FIXTURES

Mon 12th Oct: U14 Rugby vs Bishops - cancelled because of county rugby trials

U10 and U11 Hockey vs Heathfield - cancelled

Wed 14th Oct: U11 Hockey tournament @ Bridge St 2pm

Senior boys basketball vs Wrekin (A) 2pm

U15 Rugby vs Minster (H) 3.45pm

U15 and U16 Netball (A) 3.30pm

Thu 15th Oct: Midland Senior ISA Swimming Championships @ Walsall



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