

U14 County rugby 7s



Our U14 and U15 teams played in the county sevens tournaments at Wyeside this week. The U15s, who had shared the trophy last year, did not do so well. In contrast, the U14 team showed what could be achieved with a positive outlook! After emphatic wins against John Kyrle and St Mary's, we lost to Bishops, finishing the group matches with another strong win, this time against Weobley. With three wins and one loss, we came second in the group, qualifying for a semi-final

place. In the semi-final, we controlled the game beautifully to beat Kingstone 28-0 and this gave us great confidence for the final, which was to be our second match against Bishops. Regardless of the earlier result, our squad took the game to Bishops, but ultimately lost, having to accept a very respectable runner-up slot this year. Top try scorer for the tournament was John Kelly with seven tries, but almost everyone managed at least one try. Well done to all the squad!

Fantastic Phantom Tollbooth



With forty six in the cast, the Middle School production of *The Phantom Tollbooth* took place this week. Including the dress rehearsal, they put on five performances! It was an incredible experience for all who took part, including older students, staff and parents, who made significant contributions backstage and before the production. Mrs Thorne was delighted

at the high standards achieved throughout and particularly the way that the Middle School came together to demonstrate a wonderful team spirit.

Jemima, George and Sophie were on stage for most of play and were all exceptional, but it does seem unfair to be mentioning anyone by name when this was such a solid performance by a great team.

The Friends of Lucton School

Please take the opportunity to join us for a Friends' Planning Meeting next Tuesday, 23rd March, to which everyone is welcome. The main agenda will be to finalise the summer's events and in particular, further the plans for the Summer Fete.

Please watch out for forthcoming Friends' events in your copy of next term's calendar. They are an excellent opportunity to meet other parents, enjoy yourselves and raise money for the pupils.

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 with your contact details and Sarah will get back to you.

At the same time, why not ask at the office for more information on The 100 Club. It offers a very real opportunity to win a cash prize every month, whilst raising funds for the Friends.

Boarding House inspection

We were recently visited by Ofsted for the three-yearly boarding inspection and the inspector was very impressed with his interaction with the boarders. By all accounts, everything went very well and we look forward to seeing the finished report in due course.

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Prep School visit to the Botanical Gardens

(This trip took place earlier in the term).
On a chilly day, Years 3,4 and 5 enjoyed a visit to The Botanical Gardens in Birmingham, especially as it was so warm inside! The day included an informative, hands-on lesson about rainforest adaptations and lifecycles, sketching of plant life and a tour around the gardens.



From the Boarding House

After a relaxing Friday evening watching films we were up early on a beautiful sunny day. The older boarders again had Dr. Murtagh in their sights with another paintball war at Oakerwood; however, once more Dr. M's team came away with the battle honours - but only just! Ten points separated the teams. The younger boarders, led by the gaps, experienced the joys of Borneo Breakout ropes. Marilyn's team came out ahead of Kyle's. Sunday was a quiet day enjoying the fine sunshine with games on the playing fields, walks around the village and an afternoon swim before everyone settled down to prepare for the week ahead - the much anticipated visit of the Boarding Inspector, Mr. Hird, and the performances of The Phantom Tollbooth.

Science Week

Science Week continued with the final of the House Science Quiz. All the teams revealed their scientific knowledge in response to questions on Biology, Chemistry and Physics including pictures of scientific apparatus that they had to name. The Drake team of Yang Xi, Matthew Murtagh and Rachel Murtagh proved to be the most knowledgeable. The final results were:

1st Drake, 2nd Nelson, 3rd Collingwood and 4th Rodney.

On Thursday, the Acky was the flight testing centre for the Great Paper Aeroplane Race. Pupils from the Prep and Senior Schools brought along paper planes in a variety of designs and colours. Each was timed in flight and the distance travelled measured by Miss Uys and Mrs Ellis with help from James



Dunn and Henry Llewellyn. The winners by year were:
Y3. Aaron Evetts 1.6s. Ed Rees 9.65m.
Y4. Alice Walton-Prince 1.91s. Steven Murtagh 6.50m.
Y5. Joel Pitt 3.31s. Ewan Dalziel 17.9m.
Y6. Harvey Evans 1.75s. Ellie-Mae Davies-Buften 8.00m.
Y7. Yusuf Mohammed 4.47s & 19.10m.
Y8. Jemima Cooper 2.78s & 11.00m.
Y10. James Kingstone 5.00s. Luke Hallam 18.1m.
Y11. Chloe Evans 2.09s. Andrew Hind 11.5m.
6th Form. Harry Argent 1.18s & 8.00m.

SPORTS REPORT

U13 HOCKEY TOURNAMENT - Our U13 boys played in a seven-a-side tournament at Bridge Street against St Richards and Abberley Hall A and B teams. We drew the first match against Abberley B, 1-1, and then against St Richards, 0-0. Due to other results, we needed to beat Abberley A in our final game to win and our boys did not let us down! We won 2-1 to win the tournament overall. Well done to all of you!

U15 FOOTBALL - Two matches this week! On Tuesday vs Minster. Against the league leaders the favourites for the county title, we put up a good show. With ten minutes to go it was still 1-1, with Alex Lyke getting our goal, but our performance slipped in the final period and we lost. On Thursday, our U15 football team went to Weobley for our final league game of the season. It was a game of relatively few chances, mainly due to the swirling wind that changed direction regularly! Jordan had two headed chances in the first half and Alex had an excellent chance at the end of the second half but he was unable to convert. Sam Griffiths and Matt Murtagh were solid in the centre of defence as was Marc Hauser in goal who ensured the final score was 0-0. Well done to the boys who this season ended up fifth in the league due to goal difference, but only three points behind Weobley in second.

U9 & U10 NETBALL - vs St Richards. The U9 team were outplayed in the first half which was a shame because they drew the 2nd half 1-1. It was a good experience for them and hopefully it will give them confidence for their game next week against Stoke Prior, away on Thursday.

U15 NETBALL - vs Lady Hawkins. Our girls gave of their best throughout the match, but the opposition was simply too strong. Well done!

NEXT WEEK'S FIXTURES

Tue 23-Mar 4.00pm U12 & U13 County Netball tournament at Minster



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