

Largest Cross Country yet



On a beautiful, sunny afternoon, nearly 300 pupils from 11 different schools ran in the third 'Lucton Tercentenary Shield'. There were four keenly-contested races, with the lead runners ably guided by the two hares - Henry Llewellyn and Matthew Murtagh. Moor Park took the overall title. St Richards were second and Kingsland Primary finished third. Lucton finished a creditable fifth place out of eleven, with the best individual result going to Alice Walton-Prince who finished third in the Year 3/4 girls' race. Thanks to Mr Warren for organising the event and

all the prefects and options who made the whole event run so smoothly! Finally, well done to the pupils who ran, it was so pleasing to see almost every pupil in the Prep School and Year 6 running!



Disco fever

On Thursday night, pupils from Year 6 right up to the Sixth Form, held their annual disco in the Dining Hall. It was another superb occasion. It was as loud as ever and there were some amazing transformations from the school pupils we all know!



The Friends of Lucton School

A good mixture of teachers and parents attended an exciting Race Night in the Memorial Hall last Saturday night. There were tense moments as the crowd cheered their horses on to the finish line. Between the races, food was served, and everybody enjoyed the lovely meal prepared by Robin Finlay and Jane Marron. The night wound up with an auction race and, Derek Simmonds bought the winning horse, Bone Idle. The best gamblers of the night were Jane Woodfield and Duran Holmes. Thanks to Mike Finlay and Tony Short for managing the Tote, Miki and Dhilluni for manning the bar and many thanks to all the sponsors of races and those who bought horses. The evening raised £580 towards the Prep School garden classroom. Congratulations to Phil Marron for organising such a successful event!



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

The Friends of Lucton School Annual 'Science Week Talk'
Herefordshire and the Wider World;
a vision of an ecologically sustainable,
socially just and prosperous future
Presented by **Richard Priestley**
The Memorial Hall, Tuesday 9th March, 7.30pm
Adults £5.00 • Children £2.00

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Photos in Victorian clothes

The Pre Prep children have now received proofs of their Victorian photographs. If you would like to purchase any of these photos please return the order form and money to Mrs Brick, in the Prep office, by Tuesday 23rd February.

Senior/Middle grade cards

Grade cards for all Senior and Middle School pupils are being sent home with the pupils at half term. The Year 9 Parents' Evening is on the first Friday after half term.

From the Boarding House

This weekend many of our boarders tested out their sharp shooting skills in the paintball arena. The location was Oakerwood and the plan was to see who could return with the fewest bruises! On arrival at the site, the senior boarders split into two teams. Team Murtagh and Team Howard were ready to commence battle with their able deputies Miki and Abdul. There were four games in which both sides had chances to get their 'generals' into a helicopter wreckage. Sadly, both 'generals' were killed in action! The final two games were in much smaller compounds where Mitch and Miki were able to gain the upper hand for Team Murtagh by capturing the prized flag. The last game started with only 5 points between the two teams and both sides had to storm the fort to raise their own flag. Marie and Miki raised the flag for Team Murtagh with 30 seconds to go! Victory was had for Team Murtagh - even though Team Howard gained the most kills! The junior boarders were Quad Biking on the same site and returned covered from head to toe in mud so it was safe to say they had a good time!

On Sunday, after a lazy brunch, some of the senior boarders headed into Hereford for retail therapy, whilst the remaining boarders took part in a football tournament in the 'Acky'. Anthony's team won the tournament overall. A big 'thank you' to Mitch for organising and running the tournament. It was a great opportunity to try out our new indoor football goals!

Boarders should return to school on Sunday 21st February between 5 and 10pm. There will be a hot meal provided for boarders on Sunday at 5:30pm. May we take this opportunity to wish all of our boarders and their families a very happy half term holiday.



Pupils' Concert

Last Wednesday evening, we were treated to a Senior and Middle School concert. It was a delightful collection of performances featuring pupils from Year 6, right up to the Chamber Choir.



Early notice for Open Days

In the second week after half term, on Thursday 4th and Friday 5th March, the Middle, Senior School and Sixth Form Open Evening takes place between 4.30 and 7.30 on the Thursday. The Nursery and Prep School Open Morning takes place between 9.00am and noon on the Friday.

SPORTS REPORT

U15 FOOTBALL – vs Lady Hawkins. In our first league match of the season, Lucton narrowly lost 4-3. It was a close game dominated by attacking players from both sides, helped by naive defending all round! Jordan and Alex played very well, scoring one and two goals respectively but still missing an open goal each! If our performances and results are going to improve this season, we need to start playing as a team more seriously and ensure that we have eleven people willing to run and tackle for the entire game.

U11 FOOTBALL – vs St Richards. St Richards visited Lucton on Wednesday to experience a match with all four seasons! A driving blizzard in the first half was replaced by glorious sunshine in the second and despite the ever-changing seasons, both sides contributed to an entertaining game that St Richards ended up winning 5-2. Goals were scored by Athan and George, but some ball watching in defence allowed the opposition to attack our goal at regular intervals. Despite the result, Mr Howard was pleased with the performance of all the boys who played.

U15 NETBALL – vs Tenbury. This was a very closely-fought match with the scores being even at the start of the last quarter. Unfortunately, we missed a few shots at goal right at the end and lost the match. The girls can be really proud of some of the improvements in their game. Keep up the good work, girls!



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