

Inter-Schools Show Jumping



The weather was good and the competition hot for this year's competition. We had eleven teams in the 1ft 9, fifteen teams in the 2ft 6, and eleven in the 3ft- 3ft 3, and 57 individuals in the clear round jumping! Maybe we will need to cap numbers next year, as we started at 8.30am and finished at gone 6pm! The two Lucton teams did very well with the junior team of Toby Hamer, Pippa De Quincy and Harriet Brick coming 5th, and the senior team of Jodie Parker-Hill, Ellie Owens,

Ruby Plant and Storm Fowler coming 3rd. This position was even more remarkable with the fact that due to various problems Storm and Ellie had only sat on their horses on the Wednesday before! Thanks go to Millie Bemand, Mr Jones, Mrs Crow, Mrs Cooper, Ms Fitzgerald, and Mrs Brick for all there help, and our sponsors, in particular the Horse Boutique and Hintons.

Congratulations to Miss Coates on your superb organisation!

The Friends of Lucton School

The Fete was a very different event this year, taking place for the first time on the lawns between the Prep School and the woods. Though it is hard to know whether it worked out any more successfully than the traditional venue at the front of the school.

We look forward to seeing many of you in the Memorial Hall at 7.30pm on Tuesday 14th Sept. for the Welcome Back Drinks Reception.

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

At the same time, why not ask at the office for more information on The 100 Club.

Gems Concert

Earlier today, the re-scheduled Gems Concert took place in the Upper Hall. As the culmination of the inter-house Lucton Arts Festival, it was a wonderful selection of the performing arts, viewed by an appreciative audience. Winners were Jess and Jemima! Thanks to Mrs Mathie for the organisation.



Friends' Summer Fete

We were so lucky with the weather last Friday and the new venue, just below the Prep School, worked very well. Thank you to everyone who came along and made it such a successful event.

Laura and Sarah would also like to say a big thank you to everyone who worked so hard to make the Fete such a success. An amazing amount of money was raised towards the Sports Hall Appeal. Well done everyone involved!



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Pre Prep walk

All children in Pre Prep enjoyed a day at Croft Ambrey. They explored the grounds and enjoyed a picnic and games. In the afternoon Year 2 ventured to the top of the hill fort.



From the Boarding House

Friday started with the Summer Fete, which all the boarders enjoyed immensely, especially those who got to soak Dr Murtagh on the ducking stool. After the Fete it was time for the usual Morrisons' trip before watching movies in the common rooms. On Saturday, all the boarders went to Worcester to either enjoy some retail therapy or watch a movie. Then, as a last-weekend treat, we visited the all-you-can-eat Chinese buffet at Angel Chef, where some of us almost succeeded in eating our body weight in food. On Sunday, we all enjoyed a lie-in before settling down to watch the Wimbledon final or going for a swim. The Spanish erupted in cheers when Nadal won, much to Mrs Murtagh, Sarah and Merylyn's disappointment. On Sunday evening, we attended the Chaplain's Sunday Service in the Memorial Hall.

The boarders and gaps would like to thank the Murtaghs and Howards for all their hard work in the boarding house this year. I think we can safely say the house will be a lot quieter without the Shouty Northern Family, but they will be greatly missed. We wish them all the best of luck, especially the Howards as they adjust to life with the gorgeous twins.

Prep School swimming gala

The Prep School Swimming Gala started with a session for the younger pupils to show their progress followed by a team game for each of the houses prior to the actual competition section for the Prep School swimming cup.

The Gala had Year 3 and 4 pupils swimming one length and Year 5 pupils swimming two lengths and started with the Individual Medley, one length of each stroke and finished with the team relays for each age group and cannon event for children from both age groups.

An excellent standard of



swimming saw the top swimmer in the Year 3/4 age group being Grace Ralph and in Year 5 Ewan Dalziel. After the excitement of the team relays and final cannon, Ewan Dalziel collected the team trophy as Nelson House Captain.

The strength in depth of swimmers at the school will no doubt give us a great platform for the future.

Year 9 Think Tank visit

On the 6th July, as an end of term treat Year 9 were taken to the Birmingham Think Tank Museum where they had the opportunity to view many exhibits in the various galleries, from the History of the West Midland's Industries to the most up to date use of science in medicine, space travel and manufacturing. Exhibits encouraged pupils to learn about issues as diverse as recycling, to

carrying out hip replacements and selecting the correct genes for cells in the body!



SPORTS REPORT

INTER-HOUSE ROUNDERS & CRICKET – On the final Wednesday of term the rain held off long enough for Inter House Rounders and Cricket to take place. Pupils from Years 6–10 took part in an enjoyable afternoon where the rounders ended up 4th Collingwood, 3rd Rodney, 2nd Drake and 1st Nelson.

In the cricket, we played 8-a-side 7 over matches where Nelson beat Collingwood in the first semi-final by 30 runs in a match of decent quality. Rodney managed to beat Drake by 7 wickets in the other semi-final where the quality of cricket may not have been quite as high (too many wides). The final proved to be a one-sided affair where Nelson scored 80 in their 7 overs – despite Matthew Vowles running out John Kelly for a golden duck! In reply Rodney were 6–6 after 4 overs before Tom Lawley and Matthew Bishop added a little respectability to increase the total to 19 – Nelson winning by 61 runs.

Thankyou to everyone who has taken part in participating and supporting teams this year, it means a lot to the staff to know that we are being well supported in our best efforts to give pupils plenty of competitive matches!



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