

## Remembrance Day Service

At 11.00am, the school and some guests assembled at the front gates and as you can see from the photo below, it was very blustery, but at least it was dry. The Headmistress and Sophie Ball laid wreaths on the Second World War Memorial Gates.

Adam Smith played the last post and Captain Fanthorpe and the Chaplain said a few words. We then moved inside, where Yr 6 pupils laid a wreath under the First World War memorial, before the Chaplain led a thoughtful Remembrance Day service.



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## NOT THE CHRISTMAS BALL!

**Saturday 20th November**

Drinks reception 7.30pm. Dancing 'til 1.00am.

Tickets £20 from the office  
or phone 01568 782000

Dress - DJ or  
lounge suit

Organised by The Friends of Lucton School – Come and join us for an evening to celebrate the season! Disco and Two Course Dinner in aid of the Sports Hall.

# Faure's Requiem

On Saturday afternoon in the Memorial Hall, an impromptu choir came together to rehearse and perform Faure's Requiem at the end of the afternoon. It was an excellent performance from all concerned, with solos from Rhys Griffiths and Freya McHarg. Mrs Crouch accompanied and the choir was conducted by Mr Edwards.



## The Chaplain writes: Shoebox!

Once again, Lucton is hoping to support Operation Christmas Child with a large collection. All day pupils should have received an OCC leaflet this week explaining how to put together a shoebox of small gifts to help a child somewhere in the world to share the joy of Christmas. Unfortunately, the deadline is rather close and we have only two weekends to gather our boxes this year. All boxes, complete with a minimum donation of £2.50 to cover the shipping costs must be at School by Monday 22nd November, when they will be collected for distribution across the world. If your leaflet does not arrive, if you need extra labels for your extra boxes or if you just wish to know more, visit the OCC website at: <http://www.operationchristmaschild.org.uk/>

An additional plea - if any parents have "Imelda Marcos leanings", spare shoeboxes are warmly welcomed in the boarding house for the boarders to fill during their weekend shopping trips.

## FRIENDS OF LUCTON SCHOOL Forthcoming events

Please phone the school if you would like tickets for "Not The Christmas Ball". It is great value, with a champagne reception, dancing and a two-course meal for just £20 per head. It takes place on Saturday 20th November; reception from 7.30pm and dancing until 1.00am. We look forward to seeing you. If you would like to become more involved in these or any Friends' activities, please contact, Sarah Handley-Edgar on her mobile: 07967362246, or by e-mail: [sez@bromyard43.fsnet.co.uk](mailto:sez@bromyard43.fsnet.co.uk)

At the same time, why not ask at the office for more information on The 100 Club. This is a steady fundraiser and it provides much better odds than the Lottery.

# Lucton Express launches

With the hard work from Mr. Nelson, Ali and Yang Xi, together with the Year 11 Business Studies group, Lucton Innovations Ltd is now set up! This company, run by some enthusiastic students in Lucton School, opened its first business—the Lucton School shop—named ‘Lucton Innovations Express’! This shop started its trial operation on the 8th November, the second Monday after half-term. The product range includes snacks, food, drinks, stationery, books and gifts. Lucton Innovations Ltd aims to inspire students and facilitate education through a



real-world business, operated by the students themselves. This will enrich students’ learning in the fields of business studies and economics at Lucton. Lucton Innovations Ltd is looking for the most enthusiastic people and we welcome wide participation from the school community. ‘Lucton Innovations Express’, however, is only the start of our organisation. We look forward to developing future projects after the success of this one, for example, setting up a café.



## Personal belongings

Parents are reminded that all personal belongings, but especially uniform and games kit, should be clearly labelled with the owner's name. There have been several occasions recently when pupils have left the changing rooms wearing the wrong clothes – unlabelled items make it very difficult to reunite children and clothes.

## Boarding House News

*“Remember, remember the fifth of November, gunpowder, treason and plot, I see no reason that gunpowder treason should ever be forgot...”* On Saturday night the Croft House boarders certainly didn’t miss the significance as they were treated to an excellent bonfire night and firework display in Tenbury Wells. It wasn’t to Dubai’s standards as Ali Dhanani pointed out but it was still pretty good. Fortunately the rain that had fallen in the previous 24 hours held off and it was a perfect night – cold enough with a hint a frost, and clear and dry. Even the Chinese members of the house, who know a thing or two about fireworks, were impressed. We returned to the house where the older boarders enjoyed a takeaway.

On Sunday, the house headed to Worcester for a combination of shopping and cinema. A surprising number of



boarders enjoyed *Despicable Me*, an animated comedy about a criminal mastermind who tries to steal the moon, and a small number also watched *Burke and Hare*, a black comedy about the historic body snatchers from Edinburgh. We were all back in time for an excellent Sunday roast and then the Sunday Service. Question: What is the first thing that comes into your mind when you think about Egypt? Thank you Mr. Carrigan for an illuminating lesson.

# Sports Report

## **U9 RUGBY v St Richards**

Wed 10th November. The mighty under 9 rugby team were finally unleashed onto an unsuspecting world on Wednesday. Having spent weeks preparing for this occasion, in what was for many their first ever game of rugby, the young Lucton boys were determined not to let anyone down and they duly delivered the goods by scoring 19 tries to St. Richards's 12 tries.



The performance was spearheaded by 8 year old Josh Collin, who was battle hardened after his performances for the older teams in school. At half back Jack Williams and Edward Rees orchestrated events with some fantastic running. Special mention must also go to Alexander White who went from not wanting to play on Monday to scoring 2 cracking tries on Wednesday!

It was so rewarding to see all the hard work (and dropped balls!) result in such a positive outcome. All boys did what was asked of them and a large crowd of parents were thrillingly entertained with the end to end rugby displayed by both teams.

Lucton tackled like demons all afternoon and in particular Yr 3 lads Sam Vickress, and Louis Mayglothling, showed good technique. There will no doubt be some good battles between these two Lucton and St. Richards sides in the years to come, but after Wednesday it is first blood to Lucton. Well done to every single boy who took to the pitch!

## **U14 RUGBY v Bedstone School.**

This Wednesday the U14 side faced a much bigger side which unfortunately led to the result 62-5. The boys missed crucial tackles, however, they never gave up. Special mention must go to George Quinn who was marvellous at fullback and was the best player on the pitch. The Lucton side struck back late in the second half when the ball passed through the backs to see Freddy Powell break through the defensive line and score in the corner. The U14s have a lot of potential, but the fundamental skills must be executed.



## **U14 and U18 NETBALL v Bedstone**

The U14 team recorded an excellent win to the delight of everyone involved. All the hard work finally paid off as we managed to eliminate some of the unnecessary mistakes. We played a combined U14/U15 team and our Year 10 players, Taylor and Jenny, contributed hugely to our success. We won by 15 goals to 6 – well done, girls!

U18 – Although the U18 team played in the County Tournament, this was their first match. We could not play our strongest side as a lot of our players were out on a trip. We are therefore more than delighted with our win of 20 goals to 10. We had to play some Year 10 girls in this team and they gave of their best. I hope that we will build on this success for the future.