



THE BUGLE

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Year 3 and 4 Poetry Recitation

Last Friday morning we held a new event during morning chapel time. All of the children in Years 3 and 4 had been challenged to find and learn a poem of their own choice over the Christmas holidays. In the first few weeks of term their English teachers checked that all was in order and then heard performances in English lessons. Twelve children (three from each Section) were then chosen to take part in the final performing their recitation in front of the whole Prep school.

There were some exceptionally good performances from Year 4 pupils - Ana MacEvilly, Scarlett Parfitt, Henry Liu and Ben Skinner all deserve honourable mention. All of the Year 3s did well and spoke clearly and remembered their lines.

The winners were: Year 4 - Iona Foster-Gandey, Year 3 - Teddy Carr. Points were awarded by Miss Spink and Mr Hitchings to each competitor so that there was an overall Section result:

- 1st Crusaders 44
- 2nd Musketeers 41
- 3rd Templars 37
- 4th Vikings 30

Well done to all of those selected for the final and also to all of the children who learned their poems over the holidays.

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The Week Ahead	
January/February	
Saturday 28 th	
Sunday 29 th	
Monday 30 th	
Tuesday 31 st	
Wednesday 1 st	Rugby: 1 st XV & Colts XII v Lancing Prep (H) U9 & U8 Tag v Lancing Prep (A) Netball: U11 v Hurst (A) U9 & U8 v Hurst (H) U10 Netball Tournament @ Cumnor House
Thursday 2 nd	Years 7-8 General Knowledge Quiz
Friday 3 rd	Pupils depart for France Rugby: Colts 7s v Handcross Park
Saturday 4 th	
Saturday 5 th	

Senior LAMDA Pupils Get Top Acting Tips!

We were delighted to welcome Jason Hughes, actor and parent, to St Aubyns last week. Mr Hughes came in to talk to all our senior LAMDA pupils and potential drama scholars. He generously gave of his time to come in and tell the children what it was like to be a professional actor. The children learned a lot and got a real idea of what it is like to be in this profession.

MS



Pre-season cricket nets with Rottingdean Cricket Club

Rottingdean Cricket Club is investing strongly in its youth development this year as they are bringing on board a coach accredited with Sussex County Cricket Club. They will be running Under 9, Under 10, Under 11 and Under 12 sessions at the club once the cricket season begins in May.

Ahead of that pre-season indoor nets at Longhill Sports Centre for Under 11 and Under 12 (Year 6 and 7) players will be starting on Sunday 12th February. They will run from 6.00pm to 7.00pm. I would encourage anyone who wants to develop their cricket to get some pre-season practice and to consider joining a well-organised and growing club.

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SAS Update

Need Fancy Dress for the next Arts Express? Please make your purchase through St Aubyns Spend and Raise account. They have several fancy dress retailers which will donate up to 7.5% of each sale to our school!
<http://www.spendandraise.com/StAubyns1/>

Mark your calendars, get your tickets, QUIZ NIGHT is right around the corner!

24 February 2012 at 7pm

You can buy your tickets on line through the SAS website at www.staubynssociety.co.uk or through the "RED BOX" in the Front Office- Forms are in the box! You can bring any family or friends you'd like so think about having your own 6 person team! Price includes Supper. There will be a cash bar & raffle.

All proceeds to further support the swimming pool and outside play areas.

Reception and Nursery celebrate Chinese New Year

The Year of the Dragon was welcomed in style by Reception and Nursery on Monday.

First of all we met for an educational DVD which followed a Chinese boy celebrating the festival at home and at school. The Foundation Stage gathered in the Sports Hall and worked in small groups at various activities. These included making Chinese lanterns to decorate the classrooms and dancing to Chinese music with ribbons and scarves. Children tasted a variety of Chinese food, including lychees, which many children had not tried before. Each child had their own fortune cookie and they are waiting to see if their predicted fortune comes true! As you can imagine, the prawn crackers and noodles went down a treat, and some of the children showed great promise with their chopsticks!

We had a lovely Chinese lady, Leanne, visit to show us how to write Chinese characters. The children were given opportunities to write their own names and were able to see how different Chinese writing is to their own. The celebrations continued in the afternoon in individual classrooms, including dressing up in Chinese costumes and making dragon puppets.

The children reflected on their experiences and by their responses they had clearly enjoyed the whole event. It was a great opportunity to develop children's understanding of different cultures and beliefs which they may not have celebrated in their own homes.

KF



Half Term Sports Activities at St Aubyns

We are pleased to welcome Active Sports Academies to St Aubyns during February half term and each holiday after that for the rest of this academic year. In February there will be a two day football camp and a two day cricket camp. Further information can be found at www.activesportsacademies.co.uk and you can also book online.



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Another Plea for Props!

PROPS - does anyone have 2 old bicycle tyres we could use to make an old style wheelchair for ANNIE... or does anyone actually have an old wooden wheelchair we could use instead?

Thank you!

MS

Pre-Prep Superstars

Congratulations to the following for being awarded Superstar certificates:

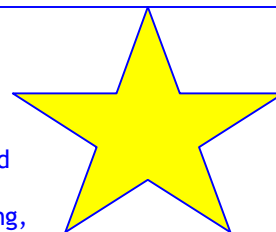
Nursery - Ayaka Critchley for fabulous news work, Henry Laurillard for moving on to reading and Charlotte Hitchings for super shape work;

Reception - James Withey for excellent reading, Eliana Trosino for progress and effort in reading, Constantin Fleury-David for great work with number calculations and Nithin Manivarma for progress with his reading;
Year 1 - Isabelle de Silva Timmins for fantastic progress in reading and writing and Harry Moore for dedicated hard work in all subjects last week;

Year 2 - Xavier Laurillard for excellent effort in Maths, Alessio Trosino for excellent effort in English and Deema AlShehab for excellent effort in improving her handwriting.

Good behaviour stickers were given to Millie Foster, Dylan Nichols, Jasmina Laurillard, Tommy Alkandri, Lily Stonehill, Lucas Clarke, Daniel Stirrup, Ruby Eggleton and Leanne Tan.

Well done to all of you!



Sports News

U13 Netball v Copthorne

The U13 netball squad took on Copthorne away on Wednesday. Copthorne came out of the blocks quickly and scored 6 goals in the first quarter to our 0. The girls decided they needed to focus on their spacing, possession and passing and for the next 20 minutes we only let 1 goal in from Copthorne and scored twice making the score 2-7. They were a strong and tall team and used their significant height advantage to very good effect and in the final 10 minutes Copthorne's shooters scored a flurry of 5 goals meaning that we lost 2-12. I was pleased with the way in which the girls played, particularly in the second and third quarters and despite the loss, they were all very positive about the match. Well done to all the girls and a special pat on the back goes to Olivia Standing for putting in a fabulous performance as our super-sub Year 6! My player of the match is Natacha for her great interceptions and passes.

LT

U11 Netball v Copthorne

The U11s played a fantastic game against Copthorne this week and were full of enthusiasm. It was exciting to see an older age group play as I normally take the U8/9. I thought the girls worked well as a team but unfortunately it wasn't enough to conquer the mighty Copthorne who dominated the match. The end score was 18-4 but there were moments of outstanding play from St Aubyns; we just need to be more consistent. I am awarding the players of the match to Leila for scoring some fantastic goals and Claudia for her energy and pace throughout the match.

LB

U10 Netball v Copthorne

The U10 girls played exceptionally well against Copthorne on Wednesday. The girls have really taken onboard advice about staying focused and alert whilst playing a match and it was also great to see them shooting more accurately since we have been focusing on that this week. We dominated the match from start to finish and the girls played with confidence and enthusiasm. We had a slight advantage since the team we were facing were slightly younger than ourselves but it was a good win all the same. Lalita Spink and India Terras scored 2 goals each and Pippa Wilmot and Freya Davies scored one a piece making the final score 6-0 to St Aubyns! Player of the match was India Terras as this was voted by Copthorne at the end of the match. It felt great to win but we will be focusing on our footwork next week as sometimes we got a bit overexcited and moved our landing foot! Keep up the great attitude and lovely teamwork, girls. Well done!

RS

Sports News Continued

U9 Netball v Copthorne

On Wednesday 25th Mrs. Sykens took the under 9s to play against Copthorne. They all played superbly especially Scarlet who was intercepting lots of balls and Ana played out of position. Beau and Iona were fantastic and Kami scored a few goals. Grace was very good at Goal-Keep and Yuno was running round like a busy bee!!! The end score was 8/0 to us. The players of the match were Ana and Beau. WELL DONE TO EVERYONE!!!

Report by Ana MacEvilly

Netball coaching at Roedean

On Tuesday 17th of January Years 6,7,and 8 went to Roedean for some helpful netball coaching. When the girls got there they started of with some games to get us warmed up. After that we practiced on all the three dodges and the technical names for them. We also joined up with the older and more experienced players. Then we went and had lunch and a tour round the school with the year 7 and 8 from Roedean. After lunch, we went back into the gym and were showed by a senior Roedean pupil how to shoot with good techniques. We were then sorted in to teams that were mixed with Roedean pupils and went to play outside in their netball courts. We played an exciting mini tournament and every time we played with a different team we played a different position. The year 8 found it very helpful as they have the I.A.P.S tournament this year. It also helped other pupils with their match against Brambletye and Ardingly.

Report by Dilara Sahin and Suki Healey

1st XV v Hurst

The First XV travelled to Hurst for the 3rd game of the season on a wet and cold Wednesday afternoon. The 1st team were without several key players in the pack and with players filling in and playing out of position the boys were up against it from the start. The boys started well and showed some resilience in defence as tackles flew. A much improved team effort in ruck and maul situations was shown which was very pleasing. Hurst had some good individual players but were otherwise an even match for the St Aubyns boys. As the game progressed it was clear to see that it was not going to be our day and Hurst scored two tries either side of the half time whistle finishing the game 22 - 0 winners. Man of the match was awarded to William Bucknall and all spectators and players present agreed that he had a superb game showing strength and determination throughout.

SW

Colts IX v Hurst

The Colts team still reduced in numbers by injury and illness travelled to Hurst on Wednesday. Despite some expert coaching from Old Boy, Nick Wright, who had come along for the afternoon, we were outplayed in the first half and found ourselves seven tries to nil down at half-time. The boys remained unbowed and declined an offer to mix up the teams for the second half. In the second half our performance was much stronger and we lost this period by only two tries to one. Harry Drew scored a splendid try with a strong run from deep in our own half. Tom Awdry battled hard with some good breaks and doughty defence. Luca Trosino and Ned Mundy are also to be commended for their efforts in attack. Man of the Match was Harry Drew for a sterling performance in every department. Final score: St Aubyns 7 Hurst 59.

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