



THE BUGLE

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Inter-Section Spelling Competition, 2013

CRUSADERS STAKE THEIR CLAIM

With another determined effort, the Crusaders have finally reached top notch in this competition, scoring a convincing victory to make up for the 'close seconds' in previous years.

Once again, there was a tight battle between those left standing in the final stages and we had to ratchet up the difficulty with some sharpness to make sure a winner was found. With one or two pupils absent, we were particularly impressed with the volunteers who stepped in at the last minute, notably Pippa in Year 6 and Ed in Year 8, who acquitted themselves very well. There were also some stand-out performances in Year 3 from Leanne and Stefan, who stood shoulder to shoulder with his brother Torben at the end. Overall, the ability - and nerve - of each one of the spellers on stage shone out, and they can all feel proud of their performance.

At the end, it was Ana who demonstrated once again a terrific command of English spelling, and a fearless approach to spelling aloud on stage. Finally caught out by *mediocre*, she had whistled through words such as *circumference* and *poisonous* as if she were reading them. Well done, Ana - a deserved victory. Could there be a hat-trick in the making? The challenge is there ...

Overall, the last pupils standing in each year group were:

Year 3	Stefan Kempa (in the final 2)
Year 4	Teddie Carr
Year 5	Ana MacEvilly (Overall Winner)
Year 6	Torben Kempa
Year 7	Suki Healey
Year 8	Eric Swinn Ward

Congratulations once again to all who took part - and thank you for putting on such a good display - you were brilliant.

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The Week Ahead

January

Monday 14th

Townsend-Warner History Paper 1
Chapel Choir Trip to Young Voice, O2 Arena

Tuesday 15th

Wednesday 16th

Netball: U13/12 & U9 v Lancing (A)
Rugby: 1st XII & U9 v Copthorne (H)
Colts XII & U8 Tag v Copthorne (A)

Thursday 17th

Friday 18th

SAS Eco Kids Collection
8.20am Years 3 & 4 Poetry Recitation Competition

News from the Drama Department

LAMDA Exams

Congratulations to all those who took LAMDA exams last term. The results are now in and they make great reading! Certificates will be presented next week.

Arts Express Dates - reminder

Nursery - Year 2 - Thursday 7th February
Years 3 - 8 Tuesday 29th January (presentation of circus skills in the gym at 4.30pm)

St Aubyns Factor

Posters are up around school with the dates for the first round auditions. The Final is on Thursday 7th February at 6.30pm.

Roedean Social Event

Roedean School are hosting their annual social event for Years 7 & 8 on Saturday 9th February from 7 - 9pm. All pupils in these year groups are welcome to attend - more details will be available from form tutors next week.

News from the SAS

The SAS urgently need new people to join the team for exciting events in 2013. We're a fun and friendly group of parents who meet monthly for main meetings to organise great events like Quiz Night. Would you like to join the team? Please contact Becky Robinson for a chat about our next meet up and our plans for Quiz Night and beyond (rebeccalesh@yahoo.com).

Quiz Night - Friday 1st February

Eco Kids Collection - Friday 18th January

2013 General Knowledge Quiz, Years 3 to 8

Once again, we started the New Year with a bracing dip into waters both familiar and uncharted for our General Knowledge Quiz. Given that we had raised the stakes slightly - with additional facts to recall for Years 3 - 4 and a set of such diverse questions and brain-teasers for the older pupils that we extended it to Years 7 and 8 - the performance this year reached suitably Olympian levels.

Children had obviously worked hard to research the answers needed and are to be congratulated, particularly in the junior part of the school, for their ability to remember the new facts and information when tested at the start of term. As in previous years, there were some near-perfect scores in all age groups, with the Holy Grail of 100% accuracy achieved by Boden in Year 7. An exceptional accomplishment - well done!

The winners for each year group were as follows:

Year 3 **Murray Smith**

Year 4 **Aidan Drew** (Overall Winner for Years 3 and 4)

Year 5 **Kamalika Nunn**

Year 6 **Lalita Spink**

Year 7 **Boden Simpson-Maher** (Overall Winner for Years 5 to 8)

Year 8 **Eric Swinn Ward**

Our congratulations go to all who took part, as well as our thanks to parents who have helped where needed. The effort and enthusiasm shown - as well as the learning that has taken place - are a credit to you all. Bravo!
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Pupil News

Congratulations to Daniel in Year 7 for passing his Grade 3 Trumpet exam in the Christmas holidays!

Zumba your way to fitness in the New Year!

Whether you are a beginner or simply can't get enough of Zumba...

Ditch the routine and come and join us for your Zumba Fitness Fix! Especially for St Aubyns Parents.

Mondays 8.30 - 9.30am Dance Studio
Thursdays 8.30 - 9.30am Dance Studio
Thursdays 5.45 - 6.45pm Sports Hall

£3.50 per session
Contact Hayley (Mum of Harry in Year 2)
07970 379876 or email:
saltdeanzumba@gmail.com

Pre-Prep Superstars

Congratulations to all the children in the Pre-Prep for a great start to term!

Superstar awards were given to the following children:

Nursery - Alex Hitchings for settling well into Nursery;

Reception - Mohammed Alkhudairi for excellent news writing;

Year 1 - Tatiana Rochester for super designs for her new year calendar and Hassan Majid for great holiday news writing;

Year 2 - Edward Robinson, Coco Healey, Anna Ramsden and Maddie MacEvilly for wonderfully thoughtful 'Memories of Christmas' with beautiful illustrations.

Good behaviour stickers were given to Jeanne Delalonde, Charlotte Hitchings, Stanley Hogbin, Dylan Nichols, Lily Stonehill, Eliana Trosino and the whole of Year 2!

Very well done to all of you!



Boarding

It has been lovely to welcome both regular and flexi boarders back into the boarding house this term. Please could we remind parents that if you would like your child to stay for supper, they need to be booked in before 10am. Also, the boarders' evening routine starts straight after prep and so we politely request that those not staying the night are picked up by 7pm at the latest.

Sports News

U13B/12 Netball v Hustpierpoint

Although we lost (16-7), it was a good and enjoyable game!

Good defending from **Nandi** throughout the game; you did not hesitate to intercept the ball. Some very good passes and catches from **Olivia** and **Suki**. **Leila** scored 4 goals and **Lizzie** scored 3 goals for the team - very well done! **Claudia** and **Taia** both kept moving fast on the court, always ready to catch the ball. **Rebecca** made good interceptions and defended well. **Olivia** played very well as centre and was often available for the free passes on court.



What to improve:

Find a space available on the court

Make sure to always mark your opponent

Player of the match voted by the opposition players: Nandi

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