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Section Debating

Thursday saw the semi-finals of the Section Debating Competition in the morning and lunch-time breaks.

The first debate between Crusaders (Harry Drew, Eric Swinn-Ward and Dan Reid) and Vikings (Elizabeth Corkill, Will Jeffrey and Claudia Bishop) was well-attended by about 30 pupils. The topic of the UK and the European Union produced some fine research and arguments. Crusaders arguing for British withdrawal had plenty of substance but did not convey the arguments with sufficient clarity. Vikings showed greater wit and style in their illustrations, phrasing and rhetoric. Crusaders 47 - Vikings 48.

Fewer pupils attended the second debate between Templars (Pippa Wilmott, Freddie Sywak and Suki Healey) and (Conrad Freidson, Ash Buller and Cameron Seeley). Again the subject of Scottish Independence produced good historical, economic and constitutional research - some of the history was muddled in places but clarity did emerge. Templars' arguments against Scottish Independence won the day: Templars 49 - Musketeers 46. SH

The Week Ahead

March

Monday 4th

Tuesday 5th

Cottesmore Chess Congress
3.30pm-4.15pm Open House
6.00pm -9.00pm Year 8 Parent Consultation

Wednesday 6th

7.30am February and March birthday breakfast
Netball: U13/12 & U9/8 v Brambletye (H)
Rugby: 1st XII & Colts XII v Brighton College (H)
U9 & U8 Tag v Brighton College (A) at East Brighton Park

Thursday 7th

Technical Rehearsal
1pm Rugby: Colts VII - Ashdown 7s Tournament

Friday 8th

10.00am Netball: U13 IAPS Tournament at Roedean
4.45pm Chapel Preacher: Rev'd Peter Blee, Rector of Berwick

Saturday 9th

Sunday 10th

10.00am-3.00pm Full Cast Rehearsal

World Book Day to be celebrated on Thursday 7th March

In what has become an annual event at St Aubyns, World Book Day will be celebrated next Thursday (7th March) by holding a Secret book sale in the library for Years 2, 3 and 4.

The pupils will need to bring in a book from home that they no longer want (in good condition), wrap it up, and put a sticker on it to give a clue to what the book is about. Then for £2 the pupils can then buy a book using the stickers as guidance. All proceeds will go to Book Aid International. This is always a popular and well supported event and we look forward to sharing in it with pupils this coming week.

AC

Pre-Prep Superstars

Congratulations to the following children who have been awarded Superstar Certificates:

Nursery: All the children for a fantastic class assembly!

Reception: All the children for a fantastic class assembly!

Year 1: James Withey (for very good comprehension work), Othman Alkandri (for great sentence writing).

Year 2: Michael Turner and Edward Robinson (for lovely detailed drawings and research at the museum).

Good behaviour stickers were given to all of the Nursery, all of Year 2, Naser Alshehab, Aishani Saha and Shouq Aywad.

Very well done to all of you!



Sports News

U110 Netball v Burgess Hill

As we headed to Burgess Hill for one of the final matches of the 2012/13 netball season, the girls were in high spirits from the close game they had played last week. Their confidence soon paid off and with Lalita and Lulu both scoring in the first quarter, and Lulu getting two more goals in the second, we were 4-0 up at half time. The girls were passing well and due to the slightly warmer weather, the catching was much better than in previous games. However, the concentration that the team had displayed in the first half unfortunately turned to over-confidence in the second. This led to mistakes being made and the opposition coming right back into the game, scoring four without reply making it 4-4. As the game drew to a close, we were making a final attack when the whistle blew and the game ended in a draw. The girls should be really pleased with obtaining their first positive result of the season and with some better footwork and focus for the whole game, they should win very soon. Girl of the game - Lulu for her three well taken goals
MH

U9 on Fire as They Earn a Well Deserved Draw

The under 9s played a second half blinder to earn a well-deserved draw against Dorset House on Tuesday. Trailing by 20 points to 5 at half time, very few people gave our boys a chance but they certainly had other ideas. The match started with two quick tries by Dorset House whose plan was to use one of their strong man to bulldoze his way past our team and surely it worked as we found ourselves three tries down in no time as the same boy just ploughed through our defence lines with little resistance. On two occasions, he literally carried the whole team to the touchline and we seemed to have no answers. However, during our pep talk at half time we strategized our plan and the idea was to play their talisman out of the game by simply tackling him low and support each other in order for us to win the ball. The boys executed the plan so well, they tackled well and rucked over with precision and kept their shape well passing the ball across the line and running forward whenever they had a chance.

The end result was terrific, two quick tries by Freddie and Aiden after some good passes poising the teams at 3 tries to four. However, our visitors managed to break our defence lines once more and scored two tries as well. With the 3 minutes to go, we were trailing by 6 tries to 4 and the boys rallied behind each other as they desperately needed a win or a draw at least. Again their determination came good as two long passes by Freddie to Aiden were enough to paralyse the opposition. They couldn't tell what had hit them. The last try was scored right in the last seconds of the match to rescue a wonderful and well deserved draw. Whilst Aiden and Freddie were outstanding in the middle of the park, George D.B. was awesome as scrum half so was Peter, Archie, Henry, and Dan Jeffrey in their respective positions. This was a real team effort and all the boys deserve a mention. Well done!
SN

U9 Netball v Burgess Hill

On Wednesday the U9 girls played at Burgess Hill. The girls tried extremely hard and moved the ball around the court well, enabling a few shots at goal from Iona and Ana. This match was very close until the final quarter, where the score was finely balanced with only one goal separating the teams. A super start to the match was made with some fantastic attacking play, the girls played excellently as a team with some good passing and improved footwork. This was an exciting game of netball with great team spirit and determination to win. The girls should be very proud of themselves; well done on an excellent effort! Final score: St Aubyns 4 - Burgess Hill 3 (scorers: Iona Foster Gandy 3, Ana McEvilly 1)

Girl of the match: Ana MacEvilly
NL

1st XII v Dorset House

This week saw the 1st XII travel to Dorset House in West Sussex. Earlier in the year the St Aubyns boys had won the football match 9 - 1 and Dorset House had staked a claim for being a more effective rugby side. On the day this was very evident and Dorset House were a far larger side with some good handling skills and an ability to support each other more effectively in contact. A steady flow of tries throughout both halves saw Dorset House dominate the scoring but it was pleasing to see the St Aubyns boys at times in charge in the contact area and in particular the scrum. Two tries were scored by Freddie Sywak and Dan Reid with one converted by Eric Swinn-Ward. The final score was 12 - 36.

SW

Colts XII v Dorset House

The Colts, buoyed from their winning performance against St Christophers, took on a well drilled and very large Dorset House side at home this week. St Aubyns scored the 1st try (Omar Alkandri) and the last (Ben Bishop) but in between faced some very strong running and effective rucking that saw Dorset House run in 6 tries. The progress made was still there to be seen from the St Aubyns Colts and hopefully their tackling skills will be further addressed before their final match of the season.

SW

U8 Tag Rugby v Dorset House

The match was played in overcast, cold conditions. We played downhill in the first half, but failed to capitalise to the full on this advantage. Nonetheless, our flying duo of Ben Webb and Xavier Laurillard scored several tries and at half time we were in the lead by 8 tries to 7. Dorset House had some strong runners and their passing was good, but our tagging was efficient and we kept them under reasonably tight control. The match continued to be very close in the second half and the score was 14-14 at the final whistle. Ben scored 8 of our tries and Xavier 6. James Cansdale also ran powerfully, but must avoid running into touch, while Stefan Kempa too was hard to catch, on occasion. Well done to the whole team on a close-fought match.

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