



# Newsletter

31 March 2011

It was good to see so many of you at the Spring Concert on Monday—the sun shone for us too. The evening was one of contrast—energetic and thrilling percussion woke everyone up and the solo and group performances that followed showed just what a talented lot the children are.

The photograph here is Sian in Year 5—a national champion in Badminton. I have been handing both Sian and Helen medals since I arrived here, three years ago this week, but this medal was truly impressive. Well done, Sian.



This week will end with the inter house swimming gala at Carnegie. It is a pity that poolside space precludes parents supporting, but if you work in Leeds, you will probably be able to hear the cheers from your desk! It is good to see the determination of the children to get to the end of the pool—and soak as many of the staff as they can along the way!

Final reminder for class photos to be returned by tomorrow!

Lastly, may we wish Year 6 the very best for their trip to France—bon voyage!

*Jane Dickey*

New **photograph** galleries on website for you to view:

- Mr Oldham's walk around Settle.
- Spring Concert
- After School Care crafts and fun.

The following **peripatetic music lessons** are available for the Summer term:

Cello	Guitar
Saxophone	Flute
Clarinet	Trumpet
Piano	Violin

If you would like your child to take up one of the above instruments (and maybe join the orchestra), please collect a form from the School Office.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

<b>Mon 4 Apr</b>	Year 6 trip to France
<b>Wed 6 Apr</b>	Parents' Info Meeting for Year 5 trip to Edale—3.45pm
<b>Fri 8 Apr</b>	Break up at 12.00 noon for Easter

## CELEBRATIONS!

**Congratulations** to Jack G for achieving Bronze and to Harry for Level 1 in the Kellogg's Swimming Challenge.

**Congratulations** to John S for achieving Grade 1 with Merit in his guitar exam. He also gained Level 3 (Bronze) in the Pony Club Progressive Test.

**Congratulations** to Thomas D who achieved the Foundation Climber Certificate at Harrogate Climbing Centre.

**Congratulations** to Ciara in 4B who participated in the swimming gala in Leeds on Saturday. Her triumphs included:-  
1st—50m butterfly, 2nd—100m medley  
3rd—50m breaststroke and frontcrawl  
5th—50m backstroke.

There were 50 people in each race, so well done!

**Congratulations** to Leon who passed his Trinity and Guildhall Grade 4 Drama exam with distinction by achieving a mark of 95%.

**Congratulations** to Olivia H for Merit Certificates for Class 3 Floor and Class 3 Overall in the Leeds Floor and Vault Internal Competition 2011. She also achieved a Merit Certificate for the Final for Team 3rd.

**Congratulations** to Florence for achieving Leeds Floor & Vault Internal and Final Certificates. Also Merit Certificates for Team 2nd, Class 3 Overall Bronze and Class 3 Floor Bronze.

**Congratulations** to Sian who is 'Badminton England U11 National Girls' Singles Champion'. Helen and Sian were only two points away from Silver in the doubles, (unfortunately there was no bronze medal in this competition)!

**Happy Birthday** to Leah S, Charlie D, Frankie S-B, Freddie S and William M—and to Miss Boyes.

## NOTICE BOARD

**Reminder—On the last day of term, Friday 8 April, please remember that school will close at 12.00pm and there will be no After School Care on that day. All children must be collected by 12.15pm, at the latest.**

### Lost property

Anna in 1B has lost her cardigan which is named. Please check the cardigan your child is wearing or if you have one at home. Please return all lost items to the School Office.



## TEAM TALK NO 1

### Rugby

On Friday 25 March, the Year 5 rugby team took part in the Lyndhurst 7s in Pocklington for the first time. The team acquitted themselves very well against very difficult, experienced opponents. The first game saw us pitted against former winners, St Martins, where we were beaten but provided much stiffer competition than the opposition expected, scoring two excellent tries due to quick thinking by scrum half Charlie D.

We then had games against Hymers College and Birkdale Prep, before entering the plate semi-final against Yarm, which proved to be our finest performance, soundly beating them 45-5. The team showed, in this game, what they were capable of by passing the ball around (even Thomas H!) and playing as a team. We met Hymers College in the final but were unable to match the heroics of the semis and were beaten but by a much narrower score than the first encounter.

Thanks go to Mr Winterhalder and Mr Goodall for training the team and giving up their time. Canice was voted "player of the tournament" by Mr Lowe, Mr Winterhalder and Mr Goodall.

### Football

Our boys took to the football pitch at the GSAL 7-a-side tournament on Saturday. A slow start against GSAL saw the team lose 2-0 against the run of play as we had all the possession but couldn't break down a very large GSAL team. Our tournament got underway with a stunning 5-3 victory over Moorlands with Oliver R scoring the goal of the tournament with a long range free kick. We couldn't capitalise on that performance, going down 2-0 to GSAL 2. The next game was a stalemate between us and local neighbours, St Pauls. The final match saw us finish strongly as we won 2-0 against Menston. Many thanks go to Craig Shannon, who has worked with the team since Year 4.

### Netball

This week the U9s wrap up the netball season with a trip to Westville House on Thursday. Let's hope they can capitalise on their stunning win over Bronte House.

**Mr S Lowe—PE/Games Co-ordinator**

### Inter House Hockey

After some very exciting and intense matches, Almscliffe were the overall champions, with Brimham taking second place, followed by Chevin in third. Photos and more reports will appear next week.



## TEAM TALK NO 2

### Lyndhurst School Rugby Sevens – 25 March

On a lovely, sunny spring day, Richmond House U10s rugby team went to Pocklington to play in the Sevens Tournament. There were seven other teams in the competition. We played very well and reached the final of the Plate competition. We narrowly lost to Hymers College 3-0.

I was happy to be captain of a squad consisting of James, Frank, Matthew, Jonathan, Billy, Charlie, Oliver and Canice. A special mention for Will, who could not play due to injury but was a great supporter and water carrier. Everybody tried very hard and did their best against some very good teams.

Thank you to Mr Lowe and Mr Oldham for entering the team in the competition and a special thank you to Mr Winterhalder and Mr Goodall for coaching the team, not just in this tournament but all season. Finally, thank you to the parents who came to support the team.

**Thomas H (Captain)**

**Congratulations** to those players who participated in the U8s Central Yorkshire RFU Cup on Sunday at Sandal. Jasper and Lucien for West Park and Finlay for Old Leo's all played exceptionally well in some hard games, but were unfortunate not to progress with their teams into the final on the day.

**Congratulations** also to Thomas G who played for another West Park Leeds team which, after winning three out of four Pool Games, topped the table, but were narrowly beaten in the final 3-2 by Morley and had to settle for the runners up Silver Trophy.



### Year 3—Harlow Carr Gardens



### PARENTS' ASSOCIATION

#### Masquerade Ball

The deadline for purchasing tickets for the ball is Monday 4 April, only a few days left to get your ticket requests in. Please leave all envelopes in the basket in reception. Thank you.

**Mr David Cockerham—Chair**



**Well done** to Maddie, Isabella and Emily For raising £40 when they sold books recently. The money was raised for Martin House Children's Hospice. Excellent effort, girls!

**After School Care** are holding Cinema Nights next Monday and Thursday (4 and 7 April) in the gym. Any films shown will be "U" rated. If your child wants to bring his/her own film, we will try and show it. Please book in advance—spaces are limited.

**Mrs K Stansfield**

As part of my research into children and media at the University of Leeds, I am analysing the physical environment in which children watch television.

I am hoping some parents would be open to sharing photographs of the room in which their children watch television for me to use in my study.

Ideally, I would require photographs of at least all four walls of the room, showing as much detail as possible. The photographs will be viewed only by myself and my tutor and will be destroyed at the end of the study. Certainly nothing would be published without the written consent of all contributors. No names will be mentioned in the study and you can email me anonymously if you wish.

If you are interested and would like to assist me with this project, you can email photographs to me at [cs1@cep@leeds.ac.uk](mailto:cs1@cep@leeds.ac.uk).

**Clare Pritchett (Mum of Dana in Nursery)**





## School Journalists

### Flora and Isabella

Last Monday was the Spring Concert, as you all know, which had an amazing line up.

Jessica D sang "Edelweiss", which was very good, and Talia sang "I Dreamed A Dream" from Les Miserables.

Satpal made his debut on his guitar, playing a wonderful number.

The percussion group opened the concert with the very loud "March of the Bright Green Frogs". The orchestra played a few numbers—"We Will Rock You", just to name one.

After the interval, the choir sang "A Man of Many Names", which is all about Robin Hood.

I interviewed Carla who sang in the choir. Here is what she said, "I really enjoyed the concert because I like dressing up in fancy, pretty dresses. I liked standing up because sitting down made my legs ache. I thought that the girls were the best dressed because they all wore very colourful dresses. I liked singing "Guy of Gisborne" because I liked going "oooo!"



**Year 6** are off to **Paris** next week. Everyone is very excited. We interviewed Emily and Leon, and Emily said, "I'm excited about going to Disney Land and I'm surprised that, if you spit off the top of the Eiffel Tower, you can kill someone."

Leon said, "I'm really looking forward to the boat trip and going to the market—I can't wait to haggle!"



It's our last time for writing for the newsletter.

'Bye, everyone, we hope you've enjoyed our pages!

**Flora and Isabella**

