



Issue 11

Work of the Week
30/11/07

Nursery: **Ava Karanjavala**, enthusiastic singing in all Nativity rehearsals
Reception: **Rosa North**, brilliant at going under the water without holding her nose
1N: **Georgia Showering**, excellent effort all week
2E: **Ursula Perry**, a great start at the Royal High Junior School
2V: **Rosie Alder, Imogen Clayton, Daisy Ison**, working so hard with their spellings
3H: **Rebecca Woo**, finding out so much about Roman Villas
3L: **The Whole Class**, a fantastic "Keeping Healthy and Happy" assembly
4A: **Harriet White and Joanna White**, working well together to produce a funny counting poem
4B: **Alice Pugsley**, showing responsibility and sensitivity toward other girls
5C: **Kathini Logut**, excellent work in Maths
5L: **Mia Holland**, working hard in Maths and making excellent progress
6A: **Natasha Browne**, excellent work in time challenge in Maths
6H: **Katherine Moar**, ongoing hard work in Maths
6M: **Chloe Smith**, lovely work in Science
All work is displayed in Gloucester Hall — please do come and have a look!

Happy Birthday to:

4B: Freya Snart



House Point Total:
(as of 28.11.07)

Northfields: 488
Charlcombe: 438
Grosvenor: 420
Lansdown: 419

Christmas Bazaar The Friends of the Royal High School 2007 Christmas Bazaar was a tremendous success and I would like to thank all those who were involved in putting on and supporting this event. There was a fantastic response from the Junior School to the request for contributions of all varieties, and for this we are very grateful. A special thank you to the many parents and teachers who helped on the day with running the stalls and clearing away afterwards. Thanks also to those who helped set up on Friday, it's always a long and tiring day. The net proceeds from the event are likely to exceed £6,000, a superb result! Please have a look on the website for photos of the bazaar. **Penny Gibson, on behalf of the Friends Committee**

The Junior School would also like to thank everyone who attended the Bazaar on Saturday and made it such a success! A special thank you to the Junior School Choir and Mrs Hale who entertained the shoppers with some festive music. A HUGE thank you to Mrs Gibson and the parents who organised and ran the stalls!

Infant Christmas Collage Competition Several girls entered the Christmas Collage competition, and all of the entries were wonderfully wintry and festive! All entries were displayed at the Christmas Bazaar--well done to everyone who took part! The winners and runners-up are as follows: **Nursery: Poppy Mercer, Annabel Davis, Reception Year 1: Freya Cumpsty, Isabella Hankins, Year 2: Anna Butler, Biba Barrett-Stone**

Year 3 trip The Year 3 classes enjoyed a fabulous visit to The Roman Baths on Wednesday 21st November. They were able to see and learn about Roman leisure and were fascinated by Roman life. The girls also attended an educational workshop and learnt about Roman clothes, the Roman language and handled Roman artefacts. -- **Miss Howe and Mrs Hunt**

Dance Open Classes Don't forget, Nursery and Reception parents are invited to watch their daughter's dance lesson on **Friday 7th December**. Reception will be dancing from 8.55 - 9.30 am and Nursery from 9.40 - 10.15 am. As this is our Christmas party day, children in Nursery and Reception should come to school with ballet clothes and then change afterwards into party clothes with parents' assistance if possible. We look forward to seeing you! -- **Miss Debby**



Year 5 trip Year 5 enjoyed a wonderful trip to the SS Great Britain in Bristol on Friday 23rd November. We took part in a workshop all about the Victorians at sea and practised writing with quills and dip pens, dressed up as passengers, played with some Victorian toys and handled and identified various artefacts to do with the ship. We then went aboard and toured below the decks and saw what life must have been like on the long journeys undertaken by this magnificent ship. After lunch we visited the museum and the shop. We really enjoyed the day! -- **Mrs Cavill and Miss Lloyd**

Primary Maths Challenge Last week the girls in Year 6 were given the opportunity to enter the Primary Maths Challenge run by The Mathematical Association. This is a national competition where pupils have the chance to take a very challenging but fun

problem solving paper. The results have been sent off to the Association and the highest scoring pupils in England and Wales will be invited to enter the Finals in February 2008. All of the girls received certificates, while the following girls earned gold, silver or bronze awards: Gold: **Claudia Dickinson, Fleur Harrison, Bella Plumbly, Lara Spearman, Dolly White;** Silver: **Natasha Browne, Jenny Deacon, Miranda Giddins, Imogen Hays, Ruthie Smart, Zoe Williams, Connie Wong;** Bronze: **Jasmine Benton, Gem Centamore, Freya Chow-Paul, Abigail Cook, Nicola Courtney, Rhiannon Dowling, Sarah-Jane Hailey, Lucy Hart, Holly Le Var, Isobel Lee-Barber, Katherine Moar, Isabel Perkins, Lauren Puntis, Francesca St Clair-Wilcox, Sophy Sergeant, Rebecca Smallman, Emily Tanner Wardle, Ella Trigwell.** Congratulations to all!

Pudsey Colouring Competition Congratulations to **Poppy Mercer** in the Nursery, **Emily Langman** in Year 2 and **Imogen Hays** in Year 6, who won the colouring competition to raise more money for Children in Need.

Hockey News On Friday 23rd November, four U11 teams took part in an annual fixture against the Paragon. The girls put in an outstanding performance and finally showed their true potential within their respective teams. The U11A celebrated their first ever goal for the school and a win!. This was their best ever performance by far and they should be very proud of the improvements they have made over the term. **Player of the Match: Antonia Hempleman-Adams for exceptional defence and distribution of the ball.** The U11B produced another solid performance, but, under constant pressure from the opposition, the girls were eventually defeated. The girls should feel encouraged and recognise the good passages of play which they put together. **Player of the Match: Lara Spearman for her work-rate and commitment to the ball.** The U11C team fired the ball down the pitch so regularly that the opposition were rarely seen out of their own goal mouth. With 3 minutes to go before the final whistle, the girls finally broke through and with a stunning finish from Lauren Puntis, sealed the fate of the match. They worked so hard and should be very proud of their performances. **Player of the Match: Lauren Puntis for a well-executed goal and Sarah-Jane Hailey for her effort and work-rate throughout the duration of the game.** The U11D team started their game very well, defending hard and distributing the ball to their wings. They produced a solid performance for the whole duration of the game and the girls should be very proud of their efforts even though the final score ended 3-1 to the Paragon. **Player of the Match: Olivia Hughes for her all-round ability on the pitch in both attack & defence.** The girls were inspirational to watch today, and showed great character and teamwork. It was fantastic to see so many of Year 6 involved and really shows me how much their Hockey has developed over the last few weeks. I would also like to say a huge thank you to all the parents who came to support and cheered so loudly from the sideline. It was a great atmosphere and a special occasion for all of the girls to share in. -- **Miss Elsley**

Orienteering News Results from last Sunday: Year 6 girls -- 1st **Jasmine Benton** – an excellent result on her first solo run, 2nd **Sarah-Jane Hailey**, 4th **Nicola Courtney**. Year 5 girls --1st **Kathini Logut** – again an excellent result well ahead of 2nd place. Overall results so far: Year 6 girls -- 2nd **Sarah-Jane Hailey**, 3rd **Nicola Courtney**. **Jasmine** has yet to be accredited her score from Lyncombe Lodge but could move into 2nd place with that result. Year 5 girls -- 2nd **Kathini Logut**. The next event is Sunday 16th January at Tidworth, Salisbury Plain. -- **Mrs Hallett**

Next Week's Menu Please note that next week will not be a "normal" week 4 menu. Instead of a "theme" day on the Tuesday, we are having Christmas lunch on the Friday and the Tuesday and Wednesday lunches will not be as published on the menu.

Pantomime Performers Several Royal High School girls have been selected to take part in this year's pantomime production of *Aladdin* at the Theatre Royal, in Bath. Many congratulations to **Saskia Guscott, Fleur Harrison, Ellie Irish, Emma Russell** and **Freya Snart!** Break a leg!

Health and Safety in the Playground area Please remember that the chains and fences in the playground and along the paths leading to the playground are there to demarcate different areas. Pupils and any siblings who are at the school should not be allowed to jump over or play with any fences or chains.

Coloured scarves and gloves The Infants will be allowed to wear coloured scarves and gloves when they visit the Senior School to sing their Christmas songs on Monday 10th December. The Year 5 and 6 girls may do the same when they go carol singing in Bath on Thursday 13th December.

Second Hand Uniform Shop The Shop is open as usual Tuesdays 3.15 - 4.00 and Thursdays 8.30- 9.00. Thanks to all who visited the sale at The Christmas Bazaar. We took £ 1,030 which was amazing considering there was no uniform! This is recycling at its best! Parents- don't forget to come and have a **secret shop** on the next two Tuesdays at 2.45, I have lots of 'bits and pieces' gift ideas and handmade cards. Please support the school and avoid the crowds of town. **Ski Wear** - I still have loads of good quality items available please ring to arrange a viewing 01225 873767. Next Friday is **PARTY DAY**. During the afternoon girls in Years 3-6 will be allowed to visit the extended shop with their form teachers to buy gifts for their family/friends. There will also be some handmade cards available. If they would like to visit, they should bring their money into school in a named purse, items start at 50p, and the girls should not bring in more than £5. If the girls forget their money they will not be able to buy. **Stabilo Right Hand Pens** are now in stock.

With this newsletter you should have received:

- updated complaints procedure
 - Year 1 trip letter
 - Mrs Palmer's letter to extra Speech and Drama pupils
- If you did not receive these items, please collect a copy from the school office. Thank you!**

The weekly newsletter is published on the school website, www.gdst.net/royalhighbath, so do check that for information as well.

If you would like to contact Mrs Fathers about any issue please feel free to email her on h.fathers@bat.gdst.net