

Work of the Week
08/02/08

Nursery: **Catherine Dickason**, being so helpful and happy
Reception: **Alyssa Dunlop**, amazing ability to remember all the little rhymes and actions that go with the sounds we have learned
1N: **Disa Arrhenius**, excellent co-operation in the kitchen when making pancakes
2E: **Emilia Marsh**, always saying kind things to others
2V: **Opal Edmonds**, excellent effort and concentration during mental arithmetic exercises
3H: **Isabella Williams**, working so hard on learning her times tables
3L: **Sophia Hamling**, excellent use of adjectives in haunted house writing
4A: **Millie Sergeant**, quick mental arithmetic in Maths
4B: **Abi Cooper**, enthusiastic singing and playing in Music
5C: **Ellie Irish**, excellent scientific invention for washing and drying pet animals
5L: **Katherine Dick** and **Izzy Hodgson**, exciting, well-written myths
6A: **Freya Chow-Paul**, excellent improvement in comprehension
6H: **Holly Le Var**, fabulous Science homework
6M: **Connie Wong**, quick and accurate work in Mathematics

All work is displayed in Gloucester Hall — please do come and have a look!

Happy Birthday to:

Nursery: **Jasmine Harvey**
2E: **Emilia Marsh**
3L: **Emily Best**
4A: **Renee Whittle**
5C: **Ellie Irish,**
Yasmine Meaden



House Point Total:

(as of 6.02.08)

Lansdown: 248
Northfields: 232
Charlcombe: 225
Grosvenor: 177

Open Morning Our Open Morning on Saturday was a great success with many prospective families visiting -- they were all very impressed with the facilities and activities on display and with our pupils! Thank you to the Year 5 and 6 girls who came in to help out, acting as tour guides, French waitresses, chefs, lab assistants and much more! Thank you also to the families who popped in to have a look around -- we hope you enjoyed it!

French News Years 1 and 2 had a visitor to their French lessons this week. Lucille, the French au pair of Lucie Jones in 2V asked them questions in French, talked about herself in French and school in France and took part in the story (of the frog and the fly). Merci beaucoup, Lucille! French visitors are always welcome. Madame Swainbank would like to say a special thank you to the Year 6 girls who acted as waitresses in our French café on Open Morning. They did a great job! Thank you also to the volunteers who made cakes and designed the menu. -- **Madame Swainbank**

Netball Results On Wednesday the 6th February, the U10 A, B & C Teams took part in a tournament at Kingswood Upper Courts. **U10 C Team:** Miss Pagett took charge of the C team, to great effect! The girls were outstanding and worked effectively as a team throughout the tournament and really set the standards for the other teams to follow. They went the whole tournament without losing a game! **Player of the Day: The whole team for excellent team work and communication.** The final results for the C Team were as follows: RHS V KES Won 5-1, RHS V MC B Drew 0-0, RHS V KWD won 3-0, RHS V MC Drew 1-1. An outstanding achievement, well done girls! **U10 B Team:** Mrs Sheffield to charge of the B team, again to great effect! The girls started brilliantly, scoring their first shot of the game and setting the pace for others to follow. They moved the ball up and down the court with great pace and accuracy, at times losing the opposition in a whirlwind! After two losses, they put all of their efforts into the rest of their matches and produced some excellent moments of play. They without doubt, produced their best Netball to date and learnt some valuable lessons from both winning and losing. **Player of the Day: Beatrice Jones for consistently hard work and excellent support play throughout the court.** The final results were as follows: RHS V MC Won 6-0, RHS V St Margaret's Lost 0-2, RHS V KWD Lost 1-3, RHS V KES Won 6-0, RHS v KWD C Won 6-0. **The U10 A Team:** Miss Elsley led the U10 A Team, and was suitably impressed with the way in which they dominated the play. This day, without doubt is the best performance to date for the A team. They played like a professional side passing the ball into fabulous spaces, mixing up and long and short ball, and making use of everybody's talents on court. This team showed just how versatile they were in every position and should be very proud of the way they performed today! They were not only a pleasure to watch, but a pleasure to coach and admire. **Player of the Day: Izzy Hodgson for excellent execution of passes throughout the day.** RHS V KWD (U10/11 Mix) Drew 4-4, RHS V MC Won 6-0, RHS V MC B Won 6-0, RHS V KES Drew 4-4, RHS V KWD U11 Won 7-0. The Y5 squads clearly have a huge amount of potential and should be very proud of the progress they have **ALL** made. They are a real pleasure to teach, and finally they seem to reaping the rewards for all their effort and commitment to the sport! Again, many thanks to all of those parents who came to support, it was lovely to hear you all cheering from the sideline, and a great opportunity to see a fantastic display of the girls' skills. -- **Miss Elsley**

Pet Necessities 'Pet Necessities' is a Royal High School Young Enterprise company consisting of fourteen members of the Lower Sixth, specialising in selling pet products. Through market research held in the school we recognised that many pupils have their own pets and therefore with the products appealing to all ages, we have been able to sell

these products both within and also outside the school environment. Our products, available to pupils and their families include treats for dogs, cats and small animals, such as yogurt drops and chewy sticks, but also toys, including ball and ropes for dogs and catnip mice for cats. We have purchased large amounts of our products from local suppliers and then have often customised them ready to sell, such as grouping certain items together and decoratively presenting them in suitable packaging. We successfully sold many of our products at the Christmas Bazaar, where the Christmas stockings for cats and dogs proved especially popular! As a company we wanted to donate a percentage of our profits to charity and so naturally decided that Bath Cats and Dogs Home would be most suitable. We hope to continue to sell our products until the end of the Spring Term, to carry on the success and experience that we are gaining from being part of this company. We will be coming down to the Junior School **Wednesday 27th February from 3:15 to 3:45pm**. Hope to see you there!

Student Council What great girls we have on the Student Council; they are full of really sensible and inspiring ideas! We had so much to discuss this time that we had to hold the meeting over 2 lunchtimes. This was also because we were very fortunate to have Mr Woods and Mrs Clubbe attend to answer our questions about playtimes and other matters around the school. At our request, Mr Woods is looking into providing composting bins in the playground for our rubbish and he is going to make a Buddy Bench for the girls to use if they have no-one to play with or are feeling unhappy during playtime. Mr Woods and myself are also going to speak to Mrs Knights at the Senior School regarding improving our drinking fountains. Mrs Clubbe told us about the new equipment she has purchased for playtimes and the strategies she has devised to enable it to be stored safely. We also chose the charity that the school will support this term which is 'Children with Leukaemia' and discussed having a healthy snack bar at playtime where the girls could purchase fruit. We talked about where the fruit would come from and who would manage it. Altogether a very successful council meeting - thank you very much girls! – **Mrs Eager**

Travel Plan We would like to extend a huge thank you to Mrs Staines and Mrs Jolley for their help in putting all the information from the pupil travel plan questionnaires into an excel spreadsheet. This will make it much easier to work out trends and analyse the data, and will also form a vital part of the School Travel Plan. It was a very time consuming exercise so we really do appreciate their willingness to help the school and the speed at which they completed the task. Thank you – you are both stars! - **Mrs Eager**

Parking We continue to urge all our parents to park LEGALLY and CONSIDERATELY in the roads around the school when dropping off and collecting, particularly in Lansdown Place East and Lansdown Grove. We do receive complaints from neighbours about parents parking illegally and dangerously, so please help us stay on good terms with the local residents!

Car Crime in Lansdown Area A man acting in a suspicious manner has been spotted in the Lansdown Crescent area, presumably checking cars for valuables left on view. The police have been contacted by a parent, and the police have advised the school to make other parents aware of the crime reference number so that if others notice anything suspicious they can contact the police and the evidence can be linked. The man in question was slim build, average height, wearing a grey hoodie, cap, MP3 type earpiece, light blue jeans, white trainers and possibly earring in right ear. The Police crime reference number is 11819-08.

Radio Broadcast Did you miss the Bath FM radio broadcast of our visiting bagpipe player? Visit the school website (www.gdst.net/royalhighbath) and go to the "In the Press" section of "News and Events" and have a listen!

Ballet Georgina Legg in 3H has passed her Classical Ballet Primary exam with merit at Dorothy Colebornes School of Dancing. Well done, Georgina!

Monday Netball Club Please note that there will be NO after school Monday Netball club on Monday 25th February.

Building Work at Senior School On Wednesday 13th February 2008 the Art Redevelopment will start and from this date the Richmond Road car park will become a dedicated contractors' car park. Parents must **NOT** use this car park or the Sports Hall car park to either drop off or collect pupils at any time of the day. For their own safety pedestrians are also requested to use alternative routes into school. As part of the Road Safety Initiative B&NES will be putting yellow KEEP CLEAR markings at the Richmond Road turning into school. If parents have any queries or concerns about this, please contact Jane Knights at the Senior School.

New Bus Route The RHS has been approached by a parent from King Edward's School who is very keen to organise a new bus route coming from the Badminton / Chipping Sodbury area and serving both the RHS and KES. This would benefit parents who are north of the M4 and perhaps help those who are on the waiting list for a place on the 236 Faresaver bus. If you are interested in this proposal please email Mrs Joanna Fotheringham-Brown at joannbrown04@aol.com.

Second Hand Uniform Shop The shop will be open as usual next week Tuesday 3.15-4.00 and Thursday 8.30-9.00. If you are unable to visit during these times do ring or email me. 01225 873767 / v.emery@bat.gdst.net Have you any dance (Tap, character,ballet,modern) shoes that your daughter has outgrown? I am also asked a lot for character skirts and Brownie uniform. Do bring them in and I will sell them for you. For those of you who have daughter's in the Senior school- the shop is closed for the foreseeable future due to lack of space. Hopefully it will re open after Easter. -- **Vicki Emery**

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