

The Royal High School, Bath
Junior Department
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Work of the Week 07/03/08

Nursery: **Iman Rustemkyzy**, fantastic tidying up in the Nursery
Reception: **Georgia Kunhardt-Williams**, being very clever at sounding out words correctly
1N: **Georgia Miller**, great attitude in class all the time
2E: **Lauren McGuire**, taking great care to present her poem beautifully
2V: **Bethan Hughes**, putting so much effort into all her work, even when feeling unwell
3H: **Isobel Southworth** and **Coco Vercoe**, excellent tourist guides to Bath
3L: **Olivia Baxter** and **Esme Hood**, magnificent effort in Maths
4A: **Alice Perkins**, clear and accurate reading comprehension answers
4B: **Freya Snart**, working very hard to create fantastic Islamic carpet design using Paint2 on the computer
5C: **Yasmin Meaden** and **Ketty Terrick**, colourful Victorian helter-skelters
5L: **Alice Griffin**, excellent improvement in weekly spelling test
6A: **Jessica Chivers**, wonderful poem
6H: **Fleur Harrison**, **Rose Patrick**, **Sophy Sergeant** and **Ellie Sims-Hilditch**, fantastic written descriptions of holiday destinations for a website
6M: **Emily Tanner Wardle**, creating a very imaginative brochure about New York
 All work is displayed in Gloucester Hall — please do come and have a look!

Happy Birthday to:

2V: **Lucy Bean, Anna Butler**
4B: **Beth Jolley**
5L: **Katie Vasilieff**



House Point Total:

(as of 05.03.08)

Lansdown: 349
Charlcombe: 326
Northfields: 311
Grosvenor: 242

Netball On Wednesday the 27th February, the Y6 Netball team (**Bella Plumbly, Thea Grattidge, Saskia Guscott, Sarah-Jane Hailey, Antonia Hempleman-Adams, Isobel Lee-Barber, Lauren Taylor, Isabel Perkins, Claudia Dickinson & Lauren Puntis**) took part in the annual Independent Schools Netball Championships held at Monkton Combe. With great leadership from Captain Antonia Hempleman-Adams and Vice Captain Isabel Perkins, the girls seemed in fine form with their strategies. With clinical play, the girls converted every turnover into a goal. They did this consistently, producing both inspirational and sensational passages of play for staff and parents alike to observe. Nearly every School's member of staff commented on how well the girls performed, and how they were a joy to watch and a credit to the school. There were also comments on their sportsmanship during and after games. The girls showed maturity in both their play and attitude, and kept their focus throughout the day to maintain their winning run to date. Well done girls, keep up the good work. **Results:** RHS V Stonar: Won 12-2, RHS V Paragon Won 10-3, RHS V Monkton Combe Won 9-3, RHS V Kingswood Won 8-3, RHS V King Edwards Won 5-2. **Player of the Day:** The whole team with a special mention to **Thea Grattidge** who was consistently accurate with her shooting, defending and attacking attributes. Many thanks once again to all parents who came to support – your regular encouragement and attendance to these events is greatly appreciated. Congratulations to our U11 team who won this prestigious event!



On Saturday 1st March the U9 A & B Netball Teams took part in the annual All Hallows Netball Tournament. The U9A team played their first match against Perrot Hill in excellent style. With plenty of shooting opportunities, the girls failed to hit the net, but impressed with their dynamic skills. They then played Chafyn Grove and again moved the ball with great confidence around the court to provide shooting opportunities. In the penultimate game, the girls played Kingswood, and took the first goal, but Kingswood came back with a late surge to win the game. In the final match against Wells Cathedral, the girls were unable to convert turnovers. They should be very proud of their performances and we look forward to more of the same in the future. **The final results were as follows:** RHS V Perrot Hill Draw 0-0, RHS V Chafyn Grove Draw 0-0, RHS V Kingswood Lost 2-1, RHS V Wells Cathedral Lost 4-1. **Player of the Day:** **Esme Ivory-Peters** for her effort, work-rate, tenacity and determination! The U9B team lost their first match to a competent Down's School team, but after a re-shuffle of positions the girls recovered to draw 0-0 with the Paragon. In this match, the girls found the form they had been waiting for. Despite losing narrowly to Clifton and being out-played by All Hallows, the girls persevered to win possession of the ball and battle through the court to provide shooting opportunities at our own end. **The team** was awarded '**Player of the Match**' for their excellent determination and conduct both on and off the court. The Royal High School were the only team to produce two teams in this tournament, and so the B team fought admirably hard to compete with A team opposition. Well done girls! **Final results:** RHS V The Downs Lost 7-1, RHS V Paragon Draw 0-0, RHS V Clifton Lost 2-0, RHS V All Hallows Lost 5-0 --**Miss Easley**

Baby-Sitter Need a baby-sitter? One of our GAP students, experienced with baby-sitting, is available. Please contact Anita on 07523 716034.

Tea Towels On sale: excellent quality tea towels are available with drawing of Elizabeth and friends at the Crane Academy. Price £5 each and all proceeds to our sister school in Kenya. Please go to the Junior School office. Asante sana.

Visiting Authors On Monday we had a visitor from Los Angeles who came to introduce us to the main character in many of her books, 'Humphrey the Hamster.' All the girls had a lovely time with Betty G. Birney and many purchased her latest book, 'Trouble According to Humphrey' which they had signed. To find out more about Humphrey visit www.funwithhumphrey.com. -- **Miss Hindmarsh**

Year 6 visit to Lifeskills On Wednesday 27th February, Y6 girls took part in probably the most important trip of their Junior School career- a visit to the 'Lifeskills' centre in Bristol. They learned a huge range of vital skills to keep them safe both in the home and other everyday situations. Girls learnt how to prevent fires, how to respond in the event of an emergency such as finding an injured person, how to behave sensibly in the countryside and how to keep safe in city environments. Everyone had the opportunity to make an emergency call and acted out the scenarios in a very realistic studio. It was a fun but vitally important experience for all!

Year 5 trip Year 5 enjoyed a very interesting and fun time at the Sewage Treatment Works in Trowbridge last Friday. They toured the plant and found out how dirty water from our homes is treated and cleaned so it can be sent back to the River Avon. They also carried out a scientific experiment to discover what things we should not be throwing down the loos and drains and performed a play about Dr. John Snow and how he located the cause of Cholera in Victorian London. The girls especially enjoyed helping Cathy, the Education Adviser to make Sewage soup-very appetising! --
Mrs Cavill

Year 3 and 4 Plays All parents are invited to watch our year 3 and 4 plays on Friday 14th March, at 1.30 pm in Gloucester Hall. The Year 3s are performing *Miss Potter and Friends*, by our very own Mrs Palmer and the Year 4s are performing *Porky Pies* by Robin Kingsland. Tickets are £3 for adults, £1 for children -- and can be purchased in advance from the School office. We look forward to seeing you there!

Missing Uniform and Flute Please can parents make periodic checks of your daughter's uniform and bags, to make sure that she hasn't brought home anything that isn't hers! Amelia Harker in Year 4 has been missing her named school coat for a month and Rhiannon Dowling in 6M has been missing her unnamed flute for several weeks now. Thank you!

Friends' Annual Quiz Night The Friends of the Royal High School invite you to take part in their annual Quiz Night for adults with Richard Lyddon as Quiz Master, **Friday 18th April** at 7.30 pm in the Gloucester Hall. Tickets are £10 to include Chilli/Vegetarian option & Pudding, there will be a licensed bar during the evening and tickets are available from the Junior School Office.

Year 2 Visitor The Year 2 girls learned all about renewable energy resources on Tuesday when Dr David Bean, Lucy Bean's dad, came in to talk to us as part of our topic on electricity. We learned about how the wind, sun, tide and water can be used to make electricity, and how these are clean and renewable energy resources, unlike coal and gas. We enjoyed looking at the exciting pictures Dr Bean showed us and had loads of questions for him about how each power source works. -- **Miss Victor-Smith**

FOOD NEWS! We thought it would be a good idea to recap the procedure for lunch times. **Lunch Times** A Lunch Rota is compiled at the beginning of each term. This rotates the order in which the Year 3-6 classes are sent to the dining room. Clubs and lunch time activities are taken into account so that everyone has time to change or arrive at their activity on time. It also allows us to spread out the times evenly so the same girls are not going first or last. **Reception -Year 2** Once in the dining room the Infants visit the kitchen to select their meals. They then sit in classes and are monitored by the Teaching Assistants. There is always a bowl of crudités on each table and a bowl of pieces of fruit for the girls to help themselves. This is in addition to their main meal and pudding selection. They are allowed to have "seconds" once their plate is empty and can have more fruit if they would like it. Once they have finished they line up and are taken to the toilet and playground by a Teaching Assistant. **Year 3-6** Juniors remain in the playground until they are called for lunch. Once in the dining room the Juniors select their meals from the hot and cold options and then sit next to the people they have come in with. They are again monitored by the Teaching Assistants who encourage the girls to help by issuing bands to clear away cups and wipe tables. Once everybody has eaten the girls may have "seconds", subject to availability and can always have fruit as well as a pudding. Once they have finished their meal they make their own way to either their club/activity or to the playground/classroom for afternoon register.

Year 6 Prefects The Year 6 prefects, Sports Captains and House Captains for the second half of the school year have been announced. **PREFECTS:** Nursery: **Natasha Browne, Gem Centamore, Thea Grattidge, Lucy Hart, Lauren Puntis, Lara Spearman, Natalie Wall, Flo Wolley;** Reception: **Malika Foster, Imogen Hays, Holly Le Var, Emily Tanner-Wardle;** 1N: **Jasmine Benton, Jessica Chivers, Felicity Gibson, Rose Patrick, Arianna Whittle;** 2E: **Ashleigh Davis, Sarah-Jane Hailey, Ruth Smart;** 2V: **Abi Cook, Olivia Hughes, Becky Smallman;** 3H: **Jenny Deacon, Zoe Williams;** 3L: **Ella Trigwell, Nellie Weston;** Library: **Ellie Cumpsty, Rhiannon Dowling, Lucy Ranson, Ellie Sims-Hilditch;** Office: **Freya Chow-Paul, Chloe Lumb, Katherine Moar, Chloe Smith;** Performing Arts: **Sophy Sergeant, Lauren Taylor;** Healthy Schools: **Nicola Courtney, Miranda Giddins, Rosie Knowles, Isabel Perkins, Francesca St Clair Wilcox;** Assembly: **Monica Baker, Bella Plumbly, Chloe Walsh;** Art: **Bronte Carter, Bethan George, Dolly White;** ICT: **Claudia Dickinson, Charlotte Rice, Eloise Thomas.** **SPORTS CAPTAINS:** Charlcombe: **Antonia Hempleman-Adams,** Grosvenor: **Fleur Harrison,** Lansdown: **Saskia Guscott,** Northfields: **Isobel Lee-Barber.** **HOUSE CAPTAINS:** Charlcombe: **Kiera Weston-Burt,** Grosvenor: **Connie Wong,** Lansdown: **Katie Thomas,** Northfields: **Bella Plumbly.**

Second Hand Uniform Shop The shop is open on Tuesday from 3.15 - 4.00 pm and on Thursday 8.30 - 9.00 am as usual next week. Don't forget to beat the rush and get your Summer Dresses -- I have a very good supply. Easter cards on sale from £1 - £1.50. I have lots of Tennis Racquets in various sizes; please ask in the shop for more information. Please do not bring any more ski wear in until next season as I am running out of space. Thank you. -- **Vicki Emery**

With this Newsletter you should have received: • Infant Easter Activities letter (N - Year 2) • Nursery plans letter • Year 2 SATs letter (by post) **If you did not receive these items please collect a copy from the Junior School Office.** 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@gdst.net