



OAKFIELD WEEKLY UPDATE

Friday 10th February 2012

EVENTS FOR THE WEEK AFTER HALF TERM

Friday 24 th	Richmond Festival: Senior Choir Competition	6.00pm
Friday 24 th	Poetry Live Day - Year 10 & Year 11	9.00am

PUPIL NEWS

We have had the official notification from Miss Susan Robinson's Ballet School and therefore must add to the list of achievements which were published two weeks ago: **Elinor Campbell** (Year 5) achieved a Merit for her Grade 3 Ballet Exam, **Emily Gale** (Year 7) passed her Grade 4 Exam with Merit and **Madeleine Stevens** (Year 10) passed her Grade 7 Ballet Exam with Merit. Jessica Cook also passed Advanced 1 Exam with Merit. Well done girls! **Olive Portlock** (Year 1) is a budding gymnast at Weybourne Gymnastics Club and this week was awarded the trophy for 'Gymnast of the Term'. She also received her Level 7 British Gymnastics Award. Well done Olive!

Elizabeth Gordon (Year 6) has been chosen to be an ambassador for Surrey Youth Games. Elizabeth will be going to the official ceremony later this month. **Charlotte Brown** (Year 6) is a member of West Byfleet Tennis Association has now acquired an LTA ranking. Looking forward to seeing her win Wimbledon when she's old enough! **Emma Lewis** (Year 6) and **Niamh Robinson** (Year 8) have auditioned for the Yorkshire Ballet Summer School and are awaiting their results – good luck girls. Good Luck to Bibi Grunert (Year 6) who has been called back for a second audition for Billy Elliott. Silvermere has over 100 Pony Club members and only six people qualified to represent Silvermere in the Nationals. The Nationals is a gathering of all the branch and centre Pony Clubs to compete against each other in equitation theory, first aid and riding knowledge. Our very own **Destiny Sedlacek** (Year 9) not only qualified, but was also chosen to be the Captain! Congratulations Destiny!



Olive Portlock

SCHOOL NEWS

Surrey SATRO Competition 2012

The annual Surrey SATRO competition took place last Thursday at Heathside School. The teams are set a problem to solve, using only the materials provided, within a fixed time. This year the problem had an Olympic theme, they had to design a high jump and a catapult. The aim was to launch a tea bag over the high jump bar as high as possible. The Year 10 team designed a very high jump but unfortunately were unable to launch the tea bag over it when it came to the judging. The Years 8 and 9 team had more success and managed to launch their tea bag over the bar. They came in 5th out of 12 teams which was a fantastic result. Both teams enjoyed the experience and hope for more success next year!



Team 1



Team 2

The teams were: **Team 1** (Year 10) Holly Collins, Sarah Quinton, Katie Carter, Lauren Hurst, Ella Hutchison, Christine Gordon, **Team 2** (Years 8 and 9) Kerensa Weaver, Jessica Kruger, Destiny Sedlacek, Elanor Weaver, Niamh Robinson, Bethany Wood.

Many thanks to Mrs Quinton and Mrs Robinson for assisting with transport.

Evening of Music, Art and Dance

Oakfield senior musicians, dancers and artists came together on Monday night to present an Evening of Fine Arts. The audience was treated to a varied programme; the music department was represented by every year group, boasting singers, string, wind and piano players, plus a number of ensembles. Sabine and Amira Guettoch joined forces with Madeleine Stevens to give a very accomplished performance of Beethoven's Minuet in G for two cellos and piano. Dances ranged from more classical ballet to modern, with multitalented girls Jessica Cook and Charlotte Mansell-Rogers singing as part of their performance. During the course of the evening both audience members and performers were also given the pleasure of perusing an impressive display of Artwork over a glass of wine. It was a thoroughly enjoyable evening for all involved and a wonderful reminder of the many talents of our girls.

Inter-School Netball Tournament at St Anne's School

We entered two teams who bravely fought their way in short rounds against many other schools in freezing conditions. Enormous thanks go to Emily Batterbury who is an ex-pupil now completing her Physical Education studies at Godalming College before starting University. She joined the girls as an additional coach and umpire and has now offered the teams, which she believes have great promise, weekly squads training to commence after half term (more details to follow)! Congratulations to the two teams who put in tremendous effort during the tournament. Many thanks go to Mrs Guettoch and Mrs Roberts who transported the girls to Caversham and back.



FOOS NEWS

'Name the Boat' Winner

Our congratulations go to **Sophie Hudson** (*Year 6*) who came up with the excellent name of 'The Friendship' for our boat. We know that many hours of happy friendships will be shared on our boat. We are looking forward to choosing a design to go on the flag after half term. Please remember to do a lovely bold design based around the theme of what makes Oakfield such a fantastic school. The design should be done on a sheet of A4 paper, don't forget to put your name and year on the back of the page. As this will be a template you can indicate things such as e.g. *bright red here* etc. Happy designing. ☺



Sophie Hudson

Karaoke Night!

Last Friday's FOOS Karaoke night was a huge success with a great turn out of people from across the school. There were some fantastic singing performances from the children, and a magnificent rendition of "Wake me up before you Go Go" from the Teachers. After much deliberation, the Oakfield Karaoke Cup was awarded to Gary Moore and Emma Beall for their wonderful duet "Up where we belong". Fun was had by all and an amazing **£778.00** was raised for Oakfield. Many thanks to all who attended – your support in these events are vital for their success. Huge thanks also goes to Mrs Cook who was Chief Organiser and to Mrs Olivia Butler for the fabulous food and to Mr and Mrs Kirby, Mrs Campbell, Mrs Rissik, and Mrs Moore who were all part of the team of helpers who made the event run so smoothly.

ROAD SAFETY

Even with the snowy conditions, under no circumstances are Parents, Grandparents, Nannies, Childminders or taxis to drive down the drive or use the Staff Car Park as a turning place. We ask that you park outside the School (not on the zig zag lines) and either bring your child down the drive or drop them off (depending on age) **once you have parked properly – not whilst swinging into the entrance of the drive**. Even if you are in a rush this is not acceptable. Please adhere to our parking rules regardless of the weather conditions!

Please be aware that the Marist School have reported an incident of theft during school drop-off whereby a handbag was taken from a parked car while Mum had nipped out to collect her children. We ask that you are vigilant about leaving your belongings on display in your car and that you lock your doors even if just popping out for a moment or two.

OTHER INFORMATION

Don't despair this half-term!

Parents won't be left scratching their heads this school half-term as Woking Borough Council are once again running the Netball Skills Day on **Thursday 16 February** 10am – 3.30pm at Winston Churchill School. This camp allows both beginners and experienced netballers to enjoy a day of skills work and game playing with mini tournaments. If you would like to book a place please call the Leisure Centre on **01483 771122**.

Netball Skills Day

Age: 8 – 13 years
Time: 10.00am – 3.30pm
Date: Thursday 16 February 2012
Cost: £20 (£10 with the Key Concession Card)
Venue: Winston Churchill School, Hermitage Road, GU21 8TL

We wish you all a very happy half term and hope that you enjoy the rest.

LUNCH MENU – W/C 20th February 2012

Monday	Spaghetti Bolognese, Mixed Salad & Parmesan Cheese <i>Apple Pie & Cream</i>
Tuesday	Roast Pork, Roast Potatoes, Broccoli & Carrots, Gravy & Apple Sauce <i>Strawberry Crumble & Cream</i>
Wednesday	Chicken Pie & Gravy, Mashed Potato, Peas & Sweetcorn <i>Artic Roll</i>
Thursday	Beef Casserole, Herb Diced Potatoes, Broccoli & Sweetcorn <i>Chocolate Sponge & Chocolate Sauce</i>
Friday	Jacket Potatoes, Baked Beans, Cheese, Tuna, Mixed Salad <i>Flap Jacks</i>
	Salad bar, vegetarian and halal options and fresh fruit available daily

If you have any information you would like to share in the Weekly Update then please feel free to email:

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