



NEWSLETTER

For the week beginning 17th October 2011

In this week's issue: Sport, Book Week, Snowball update, DT spoons

From the Headmaster

Open Evening

I am proud of our charming and enthusiastic ambassadors in Year 5 and Year 6. All the children were wonderful tour guides and worked very hard. With record numbers coming in, we enjoyed a very busy and successful Open Evening.

Parents' Evenings

We look forward to Parents' Evenings next week. May I remind all parents that subject specialists will also be available, without appointment, in the Hall and Gym. If you find yourself short of time do please feel free to make another appointment to speak to your child's teachers.

Book Week

I am looking forward, as always, to a very full and happy Book Week. It is always a joy to see the different Year groups interact in such a friendly way. Miss Barbara has organised the visits of two authors in addition to all the competitions and challenges detailed on page 2. I am sure that the dress parade on Friday will be amazing, so if you haven't yet started to design and construct the costume — you have only another 6 days to go!

3.30pm-4.00pm

We hope that you have found the new lining up arrangements have made LS pick-up faster and more effective. We are sending home a letter detailing new arrangements for the end of the day for the Lower School after half-term. Your help ensuring the school day is not disrupted is greatly appreciated.

Upper School Progress Reports

These will be given out today, or can be collected from the office on Monday.

The Week Ahead.....



BOOK WEEK

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
		Parents' Evening		Parents' Evening	NO RECEPTION SWIMMING 9am BOOK WEEK PARADE (Dress up as a story book king or queen)
Reception					
Year 1					
Year 2					
Year 3		2pm Netball v Broomwood Hall @ home & away			
Year 4	2.15 Football v Newton Prep - away				
Year 5					
Year 6			3pm Netball away v Broomwood Hall		

Birthdays

Monday: Phoebe (1A) *Tuesday:* Felix (2C); *Thursday:* Joe (3H) & Madeleine (1T); *Friday:* Mimi (5C); *Saturday:* Jake (3A), Campbell (1R) & Ben (1T); *Sunday:* Georgie (3H)



Saving Wandsworth Metropolitan Open Land (MOL) and the Springfields golf course on Burntwood Lane

More signatures are needed for the online petition to save the Burntwood Lane site. If you are interested, sign up at: <http://www.thepetitionsite.com/takeaction/738/138/089/>

PARENTS' EVENING – FRENCH APPOINTMENTS

Madame Emma and Madame Victoria will be available on Thursday 20th for drop-in appointments in the Hall/Gym along with the other Subject Specialist teachers. Should you be unable to make next Thursday, but would like to chat about your child's progress in French, please tell someone in the office, and we will telephone you to arrange an appointment.

NORTHBROOK

Don't Forget !

Order your Gift Wrap before the Half Term Holiday
Every order form returned has the chance to win Northbrook's fabulous £2000 voucher for a holiday to *DisneyLand Paris*



LOST PROPERTY

Spencer - Rugby shirt
Lohan - 3 jumpers

HEARING TESTS

Letters in regard to hearing tests for Reception children have been sent out and the tests will be carried out at school on Wednesday 16th November. If any other children require testing, please let me know and I shall send home a form.

Hedi



Book Week 2011 - Starting Monday, 17th October

- On Monday, 17th, the very famous author and illustrator team Knife and Packer will be inspiring and entertaining the children. On Wednesday we look forward to a visit from the author, Denis Bond.
- The Upper School quiz will be hotly contended on Tuesday.
- On Friday we have the fancy dress parade. Our theme this year will be Storybook Kings and Queens and we are looking forward to welcoming fictional royalty to our playground on Friday morning.
- Please enter as many competitions as you like and hand all entries to the teacher organising the competition by Thursday 20th October.

I am looking forward to an action-packed, fun, informative and rewarding week.

Miss Barbara

Book Week Competitions

Lower School

- Year 1 Design a fairytale castle.
- Y2 Miss Michelle Design a cloak for a king or queen.
- Y2 Miss Adria Design a bookmark.

Upper School

- Year 3 Find the crown.
- Year 4 Design a fairytale king or queen.
Write a description or draw a picture and annotate.
- Year 5 Design a throne for a story book king or queen.
- Year 6 Design a bookmark

- Mr Paul Make a pop-up card
- Librarians Design a cartoon strip.





SILENT AUCTION

One of many chances to win a fabulous prize at the Snowball will be in our silent auction. With just seven weeks to go, we'll be previewing one prize in each week's newsletter to whet your appetites! We've got a wide range of prizes on offer, so there should be something to interest everyone.

This week we're previewing a prize for the budding musicians of the family - **A Day in the studio with Mark Owen**. This prize is a once in a lifetime opportunity to write a song with Mark Owen and his 2 co-writers Jamie Norton and Ben Marks (Duffy, Take That, Diana Vickers to name a few). Write, produce and master a copy of your hit single to take home that evening. **The prize is for 1 person only and they must be aged 16 or over**. Place a bid at the Silent Auction stand at the SnowBall if you'd like to win this prize – no bids accepted before the night. You've got to be there to win it!

DT Spoon Puppets

Having taken a good few days to examine and photograph all of the fabulous spoon puppets (over 300), I have come to the conclusion that it is an impossible task to choose a winner from each class! I cannot say that one is better the other as they are all quite amazing. All I can do is say a big thank you to everyone who joined in. Please take a look at them either in the cabinet outside the office and on the shelving which Steve & Jamie have built outside my room.

Mr Paul



Year 4 Netball v Newton Prep

A1 Team Win 1-0

This was our first match against Newton Prep. When we got there we felt a bit nervous and excited at the same time. We started well, Eliza and Anna were great at passing. Then when Holly got the ball she passed it to Izzy, who scored a great goal. If Newton Prep had the ball Lili, Isabel and I worked hard to mark our opponents get the ball back to Finton.

By Olivia W (4E)

A2 Team Draw 1-1

On Monday we played a netball match against Newton Prep and were very good at defending the ball. NP scored the first goal but after half time Finton scored the equaliser. Well done to all of Finton Year 4 girls who took part in the match. We can't wait for the next one!

By Katie R (4E) and Nina (4E)

B1 Team Win 4-2

On Monday the B1 team played against Newton Prep. At the end of a very exciting match the score was 4-2 to us. Everyone played very well and passed the ball accurately around the court to allow our shooters to score. Well done to the B1 team and all the year 4 players.

By Tabitha (4N)

Year 4 Football in Eaton Square Tournament

The Year 4 boys played in the Eaton Square football tournament on Monday afternoon at Battersea Park. We drew our first match against Notting Hill Prep. Freddie was a star in goal. We then lost narrowly to Garden House and Sussex House. In our final group match we played Eaton Square, who beat us 3-0. With just one point scored, it was not enough to take us through to the finals. All of the boys tried hard and it was a valuable experience for the team. Well done

Mr Anthony

Year 6 Football v Garden House

The Year 6 boys ventured to Burton's Court to take on Garden House on Thursday afternoon. It was a brilliant game with both goal keepers having to work hard. Finton broke the deadlock with a fine goal from Freddie. By half time the score was 2 all. Early in the second half, Garden House scored a lucky goal. Then Edward scored his first ever Finton goal from a brilliant shot. It was looking like a drawn match until 2 minutes from time when Joseph and Freddie scored in quick succession to make the final score 5 - 3 to Finton. Well done to the whole team. Tom was great in defence. Gedi performed well in goal in the second half and Benjamin tackled well all game. Well done on a super victory.

Mr Anthony

Year 3 A1 Football v Broomwood Hall

Reflecting on the game, the big question on everyone's lips "What did they put in the chilli con carne at lunch?" because the boys were fired up today! Possibly too fired up some might say as emotions ran high throughout the game. Both teams played some excellent football with Broomwood passing the ball more efficiently than Finton, resulting in Broomwood opening the scoring with a thunderous strike. Finton dug deep and created some very good chances, but sadly failed to convert any. Freddie and Archie defending brilliantly making numerous tackles to keep the Broomwood attack at bay. In the second half Archie pushed up into midfield to add a little quality in an attempt to find an equalising goal. As the pressure built, Broomwood scored twice on the counter attack to make the final score 3-0.

Although the score line suggests this was a one sided game, it in fact was a very competitive game with Finton coming close on many occasions. **Man of the match was Freddie** for an excellent display in defence. Freddie concentrated well and retained his position excellently, making challenge after challenge.

Mr Jim

Year 3 B1 Football v Broomwood Hall

The Year 3 boys have had a tough start to the season and there is growing pressure on the manager to get that elusive first victory. Without talisman Matty it would always be difficult, especially as it meant having to borrow one of their players for the match! The boys responded brilliantly and this was by far their best performance. With our characteristically attacking style we managed three fantastic goals. Oliver was Barclaycard Man of the Match with his long, surging runs into the penalty area. Hugo also was on top form, scoring a stand-out goal of his own. Ultimately our much improved performance didn't quite get us over the line. The boys have much to be proud of however. They are improving with every game and it won't be long until our hard work pays off with three points. Final score was 5-3 to Broomwood. Well done.

Mr James

Upper School A & B Swimming v Alleyn's

Our first swimming match of the year was against the mighty Alleyn's School who have beaten us for about 4 years in a row now. Our Year 5 team has greatly improved since last year, but we were going to be up against some very strong opposition. The Alleyn's Year 6 team is also incredibly strong. However our Year 4 team is strong and the new Year 3s were a bit of an unknown factor. As the gala went on the Year 3s showed they had the 'X' factor. They won every race available with Molly and Imogen leading the way and Issy and Ellie supporting in the relays to give the Year 3 a clean sweep.

Finton managed to win every breaststroke event. Imogen, Ella M, Tom and Amelie, who won by a country mile, gave us the confidence to do well. One of the swimming captains, Molly, won the butterfly and we won 3 out of the 4 front-crawl races. Anna flew up the pool as did Emily C-L, who swam a personal best, and won for Year 5. In Year 3 we got a 1st and 2nd in the crawl. Alleyn's won 5 out of the 8 relays so it was going to be a close contest. The final scores were Finton House School 287 points to Alleyn's School's 273 points. A fantastic victory. The whole squad should be proud of their efforts in beating such a big school.

Well done Finton....

Molly and Zara (SWIMMING CAPTAINS)

