



PREP SCHOOL NEWS

Friday 4th March 2011

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House Point Champs



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Year 3	Ruari W	51 house points
Year 4	Harry B-L	43 house points
	Fabio A	43 house points
	Sahil D	43 house points
Year 5	Jay K-L	47house points
Year 6	Cara H	78 house points



**Congratulations Cara
Housepoint Champion of the Week**

Our apologies to Cara – last week we reported in the newsletter that she had gained a drama exhibition, when she has in fact gone one better and earned a drama scholarship to Upper School. Well done Cara!

Charity Week

My thanks to pupils, parents and staff for a very successful Charity Week before half term. The final total will be given at a Charity assembly just before the end of term, when representatives from both charities will come into school to collect their cheques

Gifted & Talented Workshop

Last Saturday, Mrs Doran organized an excellent Gifted & Talented Science workshop. This was open to children from across the city and, of course, many of our own pupils turned up. The sessions were led by staff from a local museum, Manchester University and Birmingham University.

Year 1 and 2 pupils studied a short biology of food:

**Abigail A,
Abigail C,
Adam K,
Anushka G,
Ben W,
Farah B,
Jonathan L,
Niamh J,
Nicolaas S,
and Connor J,**





Year 3 and 4 pupils studied animal behaviour:-
**Elysia S, Lucas N, Noah R, Millie I,
 Harry B L, Kimberley C, Kirsten B, Maya R,
 Thomas H and Mia M**



Year 5 & 6 pupils studied DNA and cell structures:-
**Adam W, Allan B, Elisha R, Kenton C,
 Laura McC, Louis R, Niru V, Tanvi G and
 Tineke S**



Reports from the day:

Niru V - Year 5

"On Saturday 26th February, I attended a Gifted and Talented masterclass which was hosted at our school. The topics of the session for Year 5 and 6 was 'Viruses--: Are they alive?' We learnt quite a lot in the sessions about bacteria, cells, viruses and much more. We conducted an experiment about DNA using onions. Using ready chopped onions, we mixed them in a beaker with washing up liquid then blended for 5 seconds. Next we filtered the solution using filter paper and put the liquid into a test-tube. We then shook it vigorously. After a few minutes, we could see the DNA of the onion appear as tiny white specks which we could then look at through a microscope.

We also has a design a human face. Each feature had its own DNA code and we had to select features to make our face. By adding the codes together, we made a chain on DNA for each person's individual face.

Finally, we learned about cell structures and we had to label the nucleuos of different cells on worksheets.

It was a very fun and educational day and I thoroughly enjoyed it."

Mia M, Year 4:

On Saturday 26th February everyone on the school's Gifted and Talented list were invited to go to the Gifted and Talented workshops. We met at school at half past nine. I was in a group with Kimberley, Elysia, Millie, Maya, Harry, Noah, Lucas, Kristen, Thomas and some pupils from other schools. I became friends with a girl called Tabitha. In our group, we were learning about different creatures, predators and plants. First of all we had to do a report about woodlice, working in groups. When we showed our reports to everyone we had a slideshow on a big screen behind us. It was cool getting to say our own speech, in front of everyone.

For break, we were allowed to take a small snack to eat, before we went outside. I hung out with all the girls. We played tag until it was time to go back inside.

This time, we were learning about mice. Each group were handed 2 mice each. We called ours Snowy and Kimblack. We learned about their predators and habitats. Then we got to hold them, but when we put them back in they started doing something. We were lad they didn't do on our hands!

Mia's report cont/d....

Finally, after a long session of work, it was time for lunch. Me, Maya and Millie sat on a bench together and ate our snacks. When we'd finished, we went outside again and played hide and seek tag.

After lunch, it was time for our final session, but this one was the best. We were designing and making homes for our mice! Ours was really cool. We had stuff hanging from the ceiling, which we had threaded through the lid. We had pictures on the wall and loads of little toys scattered on the floor. We tried to design it with things similar to their real habitat to really stimulate them. At the end, we got to show the mice house to everyone and explain the reasons behind our choices. Then the mice got to play in it too! Our mice loved their new home and we did too. The entire day was really interesting and enjoyable. I can't wait for the next one in May.

Well done to Daniel R, Year 3, who was awarded a bronze medal for skiing in the half term holidays.

Well done, also, to **Eva B, Year 6**, who gained a silver medal for singing from the British Theatre and Drama Association (with distinction!)

Maths Success

Report from Kenton C about World Maths Day. "On Tuesday 1st March, I entered the World Maths Day challenge. People from all over the world had entered. I came in the top 500 and got a platinum certificate for completing 60 games and getting over 1500 points. I also completed 3 of the levels and enjoyed the day very much."



Prep and Pre Prep OPEN MORNING



TOMORROW
9.00 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.

All welcome to look around the school,
accompanied by our Year 6 pupils.

School Council

The School Council, working with Miss Anderson, are establishing this year's garden, with their new greenhouse alongside. Another idea from the School Council is to develop our own orchard in the grounds.



Henry, Luke and Sam
hard at work with grow bags

Activity Morning

For pupils in Years 2, 3 and 4

Saturday 5th March
9.00 – 12.15 p.m.
in the Prep School



Arrive for 9.00 a.m. Wear your school tracksuit and appropriate footwear.

Please bring a waterproof coat if you are taking part in an activity outdoors.

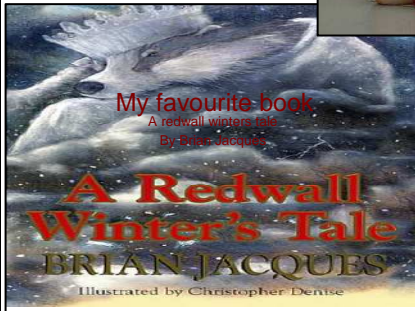
A drink and snack will be given to you at break time

A Redwall Winter's Tale

By Brian Jacques

A review by Abby T-M, Year 6

What is it about?



"It's about two young characters called Bungo (a mole) and Tubspike (a hedgehog). It's the final day of autumn and there having a very

special celebration feast. Because of the feast they are expecting some very special guests who are their entertainment for the feast. The entertainment is magical because they are flying squirrels and magic hedgehogs and much much more. After the feast Bungo and Tubspike are ready to go to bed. Bulbrock the mighty badger reads them a bedtime story. After the story Bungo is not tired. So Bulbrock reads another story about the coming of winter. The story is about a snow badger who comes out every winter because he's the lord of wintertide and instead of snow coming out of the sky, the snow badger sends snow hares.

This is my favourite book because it keeps you reading on. That's how exciting it is. It gets you on the edge of your seat, and you don't know what to expect when you turn the page over. It is truly magical. I've never read a book like this in my life. It easily wins my favourite book trophy

I'd recommend it, from year 3 and upwards. It's an amazing book by an amazing author. It's got little cute animals but I should warn you if you are not imaginative - I guarantee you that you won't enjoy it as much! Brian Jacques is an amazing children's author whose granddaughter, Hannah, is in Mrs. Ward's class (6R). He dedicated A Redwall Winter's Tale to Hannah."

Louis R, Year 6, has written his third volume of his book 'Dragichis' and it is now available to read in the library.



World Book Day

THURSDAY 3RD MARCH

We have had a lot of entries for the competition set last week, via English homework, where pupils have written an article about their favourite book. Mrs Ward and Mrs Scott will judge the competition and pick the top 5 entries (1 per Year Group and 1 overall winner) and they will win a special prize – to be announced in next Friday's assembly. On Thursday, all pupils received a World Book Day token worth £1.00 toward favourite books.

NASA Space Station



All the school has been excited by the events surrounding the Discovery Shuttle's final mission - visiting the International Space Station and flying over Liverpool. Discovery undocks from the Space Station on Sunday for the two-day journey home.

Report from Leon S and Yusuf H

"At 7.45 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, NASA's Space Station flew over Liverpool. My dad, Jamie my brother and I went out to see it fly over; Yusuf looked for it too. We only got to see it for 7 minutes and then it went out because the sun wasn't reflecting on it."

Calendar

- Sat 5 March - PREP AND PRE PREP OPEN
ACTIVITY MORNING: 9.00 – 12.30 p.m.
- Mon 7 March - Year 2Q Parent Assembly 1.30 p.m.
- Learning Support Information Evening in the Sutton Timmis Hall – 6.30 p.m.
- Sat 12 March - AJIS Under 10 Soccer Festival at Stockport Grammar
- Mon 14 March - Year 1P Parent Assembly 1.30 p.m.
- Sat 19 March - U9 AJIS Football Festival at Cheadle Hulme
- Sat 19 March - Extra rehearsal for School Play in the Sutton Timmis Hall between 10 – 2 p.m.

The full calendar for this term, can also be found on our website – www.liverpoolcollege.org.uk.

GIRLS' HOCKEY TEAM LEAVING FOR THE AJIS HOCKEY TOURNAMENT ON THURSDAY



PUPILS ENJOYING THE FIRST OF THE SPRING SUNSHINE THIS WEEK



The girls skipping

Cross Country

Boys:

On Thursday 3rd March 2011 the boys took part in the Liverpool & District Cross Country League at Sefton Park.

The boys produced a much improved performance with Lucas F having a great run to finish in second place. James B, returning after injury also had a very good run to finish 4th. He was followed home by Jago J (year 4) running well to finish 20th. Lewis O'R came in 24th followed by Malek A 36th, James C 39th, Joshua N 44th and Mustafa F 49th. A very good performance and some very good individual performances. Well done boys.

D McClements, Head of boy's games



The Year 3 & 4 boys enjoy playing together in the grounds



Jasmine & Lucas with their medals

Girls:

Report by Jasmine M, given in Assembly this morning:

"On Thursday 3rd March, the girls' cross country team went to Sefton park. We all got off to a good start and I was first home in 1st place; Isobel W was in 10th place, Aisha R-M was 11th, Amelia E was 12th. Next home was Elizabeth H in 24th, Emily A was 27th and Kirsten (a bibbed runner) came 29th. Emily H came 30th and Adriana (a bibbed runner) came 40th. We scored 58 points".

P A Davey, Director of Sport

Happy Retirement.....



I am sure you will want to join us in wishing Jackie Davies a very happy retirement. Jackie has managed the School Uniform Shop for over eight years and has helped thousands of children to be properly kitted out for school. We hope that she will make the most of the extra time to watch cricket and have many sunny holidays! We would also like to welcome Paula Griffiths, who will be working alongside Anna in the shop.

Rehearsals for week commencing Monday 7th March:-

Monday 7th March:
4.00 – 5.00 p.m.
Scenes: 1 and 5

Wednesday 9th March:
4.00 – 5.00 p.m.
Scene: 8 and 9

Rehearsals for 'What a Knight' continue to go well. Tickets are available from **Monday 7th March** and letters have been given to pupils this week, with a ticket request slip.

Tickets will not be sold to pupils at break times. When we receive your order slip, with payment, Mrs Ashworth will reserve your tickets in an envelope and we would be grateful if parents could pick them up at their convenience. Alternatively, parents can call in to see Mrs Ashworth, in the 'Box Office', to buy their tickets direct!

*****EXTRA REHEARSAL*****

Saturday 19th March

10.00 – 2.00 p.m.

in the Sutton Timmis Hall - Prep

FULL CAST

(please bring costumes and a packed lunch)

MUSIC

My thanks to the following pupils for performing in Pre Prep this week:-

Lucas N – piano,
Tom P – cornet
Kimberley C – piano

Ellen K – cello
Yazmin H – piano
Doreen W - recorder



**Liverpool College**
Preparatory School
presents
What a Knight!

Friday 25th March 2011
Saturday 26th March - 7.00 p.m.
Sutton Timmis Hall
Tickets: Adults: £5.00
Conc./Children: £3.50
Available from: Mrs Ashworth



Meanwhile
the orchestra has been busy practising for their first performance.



The return of the chicks!

Remember 'Chick Cam' last year??



The **School Council** have, once again, ordered 'living eggs' to arrive, week beginning Monday 14th March. Everyone is looking forward to seeing the eggs hatch into lovely chicks again and, so we don't miss it, I'm sure we will, as in previous years, have a CCTV camera installed to watch every move!!

If there are any willing volunteers to take on our lovely chicks, once they have hatched and grown a bit, (probably by Friday 25th March) please let us know.

Phoenix Trading Cards & Stationary

The new 2011 Phoenix Trading brochure is available now – collect your copy from Mrs Ashworth

Last term children brought home a great brochure from Phoenix Trading full of wonderful cards, wrapping paper and stationary – the new selection is fabulous and great value for money at only £1.20 per card when you buy 10 or more. So stock up and never be short of a card for birthday parties, mother's day, anniversaries or any other occasion! Again, 10% of all the orders via school will go to the Parents Association. You can also see the full selection and Order online at:

www.phoenix-trading.eu/web/alicecase

Elysia S in Year 3 has lost her named piano tuition books. Could those pupils who play piano please check their books. Thank you.

Also, **Dylan McCallion** in Year 5 has lost his blazer. Could parents please check their child's blazer. Thank you.

VIOLIN LUNCHTIME GROUP AND LESSONS WILL BE ON WEDNESDAY NEXT WEEK.

An amount of money was lost in the car park on Wednesday night of this week. If you think it's yours – please see Mrs Ashworth

Learning Support Evening

Monday March 7th at 6.30 p.m.
Prep School Hall

An evening for parents of any pupils receiving Learning Support in the Prep or Pre Prep.

UNIFORM - SUMMER DRESSES

If you have ordered summer dresses from the School Shop, they are now ready for collection. Opening hours in term time are Monday – Thursday: 12.30 p.m. – 5.00 p.m. and Friday: 12.30 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.



The poster features a blue background with green leaves and a silhouette of a crowd at the bottom. The Liverpool College crest is in the top right corner.

May Ball

Isla Gladstone Conservatory

Stanley Park, Anfield Road, Liverpool L4 0TE

Saturday 21st May 2011

6:30pm for 7:00pm

Tickets **£50.00**

Available via www.liverpoolcollege.org.uk
Hurry they sell out fast!

Ticket booking form is attached to the back of this newsletter.

PRE PREP AND NURSERY NEWS

Friday 4th March 2011

Happy Birthday

to
Oliver H & Jacob



The children in the Nursery are looking at the sound 'V v'. It would be very helpful if any items or books beginning with this sound could be brought in for the sound table. Please mark the item or book with

your child's name.



WORLD MATHS DAY

1 March 2011 *Uniting the World in Numbers!*

www.worldmathsday.com



Our children had a fun filled day on World Maths Day. Throughout the day children took part in maths challenges and became a King or Queen of numbers. We started in the morning making our number crowns - The fun continued all day with every the year group taking part in a variety of challenges and games.



HOUSE OF THE WEEK



Hedgehog

PUPIL NEWS

Congratulations to **Sonny** 2Q who was awarded a Blue Star on a recent skiing trip to France. Well done Sonny.

Lucy 2Q was awarded a certificate for achieving Level II at swimming. Congratulations Lucy

Tooth Fairy News

Chloe L 2P had three visits from the Tooth Fairy this week, **Georgia** 1Q lost her first tooth in school on Wednesday. The Fairy also paid a visit to **Ben** 1P.

LOST PROPERTY

Alfie R2 has lost his track suit bottoms and white shorts both named. **Lucia** has lost her named outer coat. **Remi-Lei** 2Q has lost her blazer. Could I ask parents to check their child's uniform please.

Assembly for Year 2Q

All parents of 2Q children are warmly invited to come and see their assembly on **Monday 7th March** at **1.30 p.m.** in the Pre Prep Hall. Parents may take children in 2Q home afterwards if they are able.

ZIG ZAG LINES

This week I have had a visit from the police. They tell me that they are monitoring drivers who park on the ZIG ZAG LINES outside school.

The penalty for parking on Zig Zag Lines is **£60 plus 3 points**. For our children's safety please don't park on the Zig Zag Lines.



BOOK FAIR

A big thank you to parents for supporting our recent Book Fair, for our commission we received £300.00 worth of books for Nursery and Pre Prep

World Book Day



Every year, the children excel themselves on this day, when they come into school dressed as their favourite book character. This year we had pirates, princesses, fairies, Harry Potters, , cowboys and cowgirls and lots of other wonderful characters. We were especially pleased that the children brought in donations for our charity – NSPCC



We have started to collect Tesco Vouchers for Schools- the box is in the reception area. Please remember to bring your vouchers into school. With our vouchers last year we were able to get new outdoor toys.

Activity Morning – Prep School Saturday 5th March 8.45am – 12.30 pm

All Year Two children have received invitations for the above event, where there are an exciting series of activities for the children to get involved in. All children should wear their school tracksuit on the day and those who will be doing an outdoor activity may need waterproofs.

Open Morning - Pre Prep Saturday 5th March 9.00 am - 12.30pm

At the same time as the Activity Morning is taking place in the Prep School, there is an Open Morning for Pre Prep. If you know of anyone who is interested in a place for their child in our Nursery or Reception classes for September 2011 - please invite them to come along.

LEARNING SUPPORT EVENING

Monday March 7th

at 6.30 p.m. Prep School Hall

The evening will be for parents of any pupils receiving Learning Support in the Prep or Pre- Prep
For further details please see Mrs Squires

May Ball

Isla Gladstone
Conservatory

Saturday 21st May 2011

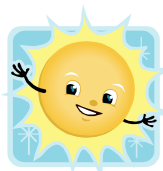
6.30 p.m. for 7.00 p.m.

Tickets £50.00

Please see back of newsletter for further details



Summer Dresses



Summer dress orders are ready for collection from the College Shop. Hours of opening are: 12.30. - 5.00 p.m. Monday to Thursday 12.30 – 4.30 Friday.

CALENDAR

7 th March	2Q Assembly
7 th – 11 th March	Sponsored Activities
18 th March	Wear Red
22 nd March	Y1 to Dunham Massey
22 nd & 23 rd March	Nursery & Reception Informal Parents Evening
25 th March	Egg Competition

G. Gannon - Head of Pre Prep and Nursery