



# Blundell's Preparatory School Newsletter

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Friday, 6<sup>th</sup> November 2009

## **Café Event: Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> November 10.00 am**

A letter will be arriving home tonight with details of this event. The subject covered will be friendship and our anti-bullying policy. We hope as many parents as possible will join us and a crèche will be available for children.

## **Year 3 Boys Junior Rugby House Matches**

This event for Year 3 boys has been re-scheduled for Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> November at 3.15 pm. Parents are most welcome to come and watch.

## **Christmas Bazaar: Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December 10.00 am – 12.30 pm**

Once again this will be taking place in the Prep Hall and Atrium. This year we will be raising money for Balloons, a local charity which supports children who have lost a parent. We hope that as many of you as possible can come along.

*Come along and buy those last few Christmas gifts, a whole range for all the family. Come and visit Santa in his Grotto or have a cup of tea with friends!*

We would be grateful for donations of the following:-

- Cakes (only on the day before or on the day)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Hand books and DVDs (no videos please)
- Toys and bric-a-brac
- Hamper items for the raffle

## **Christmas Dates**

Further information on the following dates has already been issued or will be issued nearer to the time.

Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 2 Christmas Play
Saturday 5 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Bazaar
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 1 Christmas Play
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Kindergarten Christmas Play
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> December	Festival of Carols (Choir members performing)
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	School Carol Service ( <b>All Prep pupils to attend</b> )
	<b>No Prep or Clubs in the Prep School</b>
	<b>Owls will run as normal</b>
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	Nursery 1 and 2 Christmas Play
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Pantomimes and Nativity (All Prep pupils performing)
	Pre-Prep Christmas Party
	<b>End of Term Pre-Prep 3.30 pm, Prep 3.50 pm</b>

### **Poster Competition for the Christmas Bazaar**

Just to remind children that this year the Friends of Blundell's Prep are inviting all the children from both the Prep and the Pre-Prep to design a poster to advertise the Christmas Bazaar. Prizes for the winners will be awarded at the Christmas Bazaar.

It will need to:

Be A4 in size, using crayons, paints or felt tips only (please no cotton wool, glitter etc).

Include the date and time: *Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December 10.00 am – 12.30 pm*

Show the child's full name and class on the back of the poster.

It could include:

Santa's Grotto, Raffle, Lucky Dip, books and toys, refreshments, lots of stalls and anything Christmassy!

Please could these arrive in the School Office by Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November.

### **Tea Time Concert**

Thank you to all the pupils who took part in last night's Tea Time Concert and to all the parents who supported the event. The musicians all tried very hard and played wonderfully well.

### **Morrison's Gardening Vouchers**

Morrison's supermarket has now finished issuing vouchers, and we would be pleased to receive any remaining vouchers into the school office as soon as possible.

### **Hockey Club Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November**

Hockey Club on Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> November has been cancelled due to the Year 4 Parents' Evening. We apologise for any inconvenience that this may cause.

### **Parents' Evenings**

Parents' Evenings will now be taking place in the Prep School over the coming weeks. They are all run by appointment times. Parents of children in Years 4 will receive their time allocations today and Year 3 Parents on Monday. Parents of children in Year 5 will receive the letter and request form today and Year 6 will be sent out on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November.

**Please note that Year 6 Parents Evenings will take place on Monday, 6<sup>th</sup> December to allow feedback from the Mock Exams.**

### **Shoebox Appeal: Samaritan's Purse**

Thank you to everyone who has sent in a 'shoebox'. Could we ask anyone who is still hoping to complete one, to bring it in by 8.30 am on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November. This will have to be the very last chance.

### **Friends of Blundell's Prep: Dates for the Diary 2010**

5<sup>th</sup> February 2010 6.30 pm until 8.00 pm      Prep School Disco - Year 3 to Year 6

12<sup>th</sup> March 2010      Curry and Quiz Night

## **Pre-Prep News**

### **Congratulations to the following children:**

#### **Certificates of Achievement:**

Ellie Salisbury for working hard this term and making good progress with reading and spelling.

Mia Butterfield for working well in all activities this term and for being quietly organised and getting on with her work.

Matthew Tribe for trying hard with all his work, listening to instructions and being a caring friend.

Shea Clark for settling quickly into her new school and working hard.

Joshua Withey for working hard and contributing well to class discussions.

Lucie Spencer for trying very hard in all areas, exceeding her personal class target and being kind to others.

Toby Hull for working hard this term and making super progress in reading and maths.

Estelle Tucker for making a huge effort with her handwriting and producing some super written work.

Alexander Lawler for being extremely kind and helpful in the classroom.

#### **Swimming Awards**

National swim award level 6 – Imogen Davy

Rainbow swimming award 5m – Peyton Broke-Smith

Duckling award Grade 1 – William Luxton

#### **Golden Book**

Thomas Labdon for being very thoughtful and helpful in Owls.

Anna Maunder and Jessica Payne for volunteering to help two children in their class when changing for P.E.

#### **Trial Biking**

Leo Dummett for winning two trophies for coming 4<sup>th</sup> in the Rally Bike SYGTC 2009 competition.

#### **Equestrian Event**

Sophie Elstone for riding a pony at Crealy.

## **Sports' News**

#### **Senior House Matches**

The Hockey was won by the Raleigh and the Rugby by Grenville.

#### **Junior House Matches**

The Hockey was won by Drake and the Year 4 Rugby by Grenville.

#### **Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> November**

U11A	Rugby v	Millfield	L
U11B	Rugby v	Millfield	L
U10A	Rugby v	Millfield	W
U10B	Rugby v	Millfield	W

#### **Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> November**

U9A	Hockey v	Maynard	W
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