



Exams over, results coming in

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The Court Circular

The Head's Lines

The weather is putting us more in the mind for skiing at last—but there is lots happening before the break to the slopes.



The exam season has now been and gone, with just a few results left to trickle in. Many congratulations to the children for taking on the challenge sensibly, and to their parents, who have kept their composure throughout this trying period! I can't remember a season of more tension at the 11+ and never noticed more the stark difference between this and the calm and dignity of the 13+ common entrance. The maelstrom common to some other local schools seems to have infected us a bit this year.

The scramble for places is ever high, but despite this most of our children have made it into their first choice school. As ever a few were perhaps aiming a bit high - better to try than to regret - but at this stage all seems well.

Particular congratulations to the following on results in to date:

- Darcey Oldham (St George's)
- Anya Devon-Berry (Guildford High, CLFS)
- Tom Cupis (CLFS)
- Laurence Piper (St George's)
- Milly Young (Prior's Field, Academic Scholarship; CLFS, Tormead)
- Joely Bonner (Prior's Field, Art Exhibition)
- Alice O'Hagan (Prior's Field, Sport Exhibition)
- Jemima Fife (Prior's Field)
- Georgia Thompson (Prior's Field)
- Jake Ward (King Edward's Witley)
- Charlie Vaughan (King Edward's Witley)
- Matthew Martin-Winter (King Edward's Witley)

Thomas Brunning (Lord Wandsworth)
William Manuel (Lord Wandsworth)

I will post the results here and on the website as soon as they come in.

A few requests have come in from the

staff. Please could parents not leave cash on desks - it could easily walk - and please could parents bring medication and inhalers to Reception in the main house and not leave these with children or on teachers' desks, for obvious safety reasons.

A mini horror story was reported to me by a mum - of having to round up two nursery children who had escaped from their mums and were running into the car park. Apparently the mums concerned were unaware that their children had run off, and despite the greatest of care a nursery child may not be visible to the driver of a car. Please take care!

There is the slight prospect of snow - we will only close the school if it is manifestly unsafe for staff and children to come in. The problem usually is in the roads around us, not the site itself. If it looks like a heavy downfall is likely, please keep your mobiles on for a clarion call, and have regards to the website, which will be updated constantly.

The RCPA parents' glee kicks off this Friday with the Dads' Night. See you there!

And finally...

Pupil: Great news, teacher says we have an exam today come rain or shine.

Classmate: What's so great about that?

Pupil: It's snowing outside!

AB Music Examination Results

Congratulations to the following pupils:

Murray Dare Grade 1 Double Bass (Distinction)

Alex Craig Grade 1 Violin (Distinction)

Darcey Oldham Grade 1 Piano (Distinction)

Tom Hemsworth Grade 1 Piano (Pass)

There are currently a few spaces for brass lessons (Mr Davis) and drum lessons (Mr Dare). Please see Mr Wall if you are interested.

A date for the diary—this term's **Afternoon Recital** is on Tue 20 March at 4.45 pm and will feature Mick Davis (Brass).

Headmaster's Commendations

Third Badge has been presented to Darcey Oldham

Second Badges have been presented to Ethan Barrow, Tom Brunning, Jamie Stapleton, Jake Ward

First Badges have been presented to Taylor Burton, Mia Cavanagh, Cameron Gow, William Manuel, Charlie Parker, Louisa Piper

Certificates have been presented to Adele Baker, Christopher Ballard, Ethan Barrow, Bridget Bilger, William Brown, James Cicigoi, Alex Claybourn, Alex Cohen, Antony Cova, Tom Cupis, Anya Devon-Berry, Charlie Dickinson, Lorenzo Di Maio, Sofia Di Maio, Joe El-Majdoubi, Charlotte Farnsworth (2), Isla Galpin, William George, Shreya Goyal, Lauren Griffiths, Kate Gullen, Tom Hemsworth, Zak Hodgson, Tommy Hurst, Julius Jones, Tomo Knowland, George Leighton, Alice O'Hagan, Joe Perkins, Edward Rawding, Noah Seymour, James Smith, Freya Sutton, Georgia Thompson, Louise Trueman, Casper Walker, Jason Warman, Quin Williams

Times Tables

Certificates have been presented to the following:

Level 7 Tom Hemsworth

Level 6 Frederica Buxton, Ethan Cox, Liam Harvey, Lynette Huo, Louisa Piper, Daniel Price, Harry Young, Fred Zamboni

Level 5 Patrick Boothby, Matthew Grafton

Level 4 Alice Moody, Max Romero

Level 3 Georgie Prichard, Daniel Purves



SPORTS NEWS

Ripley Court scores first

Rugby

U9A v Lanesborough	45—25
U9B	15—25
1st XV v Milbourne Lodge	0—27
U11A	Lost
U11B	Won
U10A	25—45
U8A	45—35
U8B	45—35
U9A v Priory	5—15
U9B	40—35
1st XV v Duke of Kent	55—10
U11A v Longacre	40—40
U9A	55—10
U8A v Claremont	40—35
U8A v Longacre	Won
U8B	Won

Girls' Hockey

U9A v Barrow Hills	2—2
U9B	0—2
U9A v Rowan	1—0
U9B	2—2
U10A v Barrow Hills	3—1
U11/12 Colts 1 v St Ives	1—1
U11/12 Colts 2	6—3

Girls' Football

U10/11 v St Paul's	2—2
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On Sunday 29th January girls from Yrs 3-6 together with Miss Orbell and Miss Marks went to watch a very exciting premiere league netball match between The Downs vs Bournemouth Blades at Guildford Spectrum. The score was close all the way until the last quarter when The Downs started

to lose some of their focus and the Blades leapt 4 goals ahead to win 40-36. At half time some of the spectators entered a shooting competition. Jasmin Walker was one of only four who got through to the second round. At the end of the match the girls went and talked to the players all of whom were 6ft plus. The girls and the teachers learnt a lot and picked up some great tips, a great afternoon was had by all!

RCPA Round Up

Second Hand Uniform Shop open this Monday 6th February 8.15 - 9am

Selling good quality second hand school uniform. A chance to plan ahead for summer?

Donations always gladly accepted, including sports equipment.

Valentine Cake Bake

We'll be holding a themed cake bake to end this half term on Friday 10th February at 3.30, 4.00 and 4.30pm.

Looking ahead - Quiz night – Saturday 10th March

A popular night for friendly year group competition. Save the date and sign up with your form rep.

