



## MORE HOUSE SCHOOL

# Newsletter

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2011

*Dear Parents,*

*Examinations are finished at last ~ for the moment at least. This week saw the first of this term's informal concerts and I am sure that you will be interested by Mr Keeley's report on this event. It certainly was a very enjoyable evening and it was so good to see how the music of the younger years was progressing as well as revelling in the skill of the older years, especially the VIth Form. An apology for last week's Newsletter! In the best traditions of The Guardian the uncorrected draft of The Newsletter was posted up, complete with speeling mistooks and trying arrears. I shall be out of school next week, inspecting another GSA school, in my role as a member of the Independent Schools' Inspectorate, so will be leaving the School in the capable hands of my Deputy. Although I am not able to reveal, at the moment, which school I shall be inspecting, I can say that it is a Catholic, girls' school so it should be fascinating.*

### *Striking the right note*

**O**n Friday 28<sup>th</sup> January, More House Music students from Years 10 and 11 went to the Lyric Theatre, Shaftesbury Avenue, to attend a day of Music lectures. The trip proved to be fun as well as educational, as the girls sang along to a loud rendition (sung by 1000 attending musicians) of Robbie Williams' *Angels*, and took part in some spontaneous songwriting led by the Course Leader on electric guitar. The Course covered all aspects of Listening, Composing and Performing and helped the girls gain a good understanding of what was expected of them in the exam.

### *Concerted effort*

**T**he Dining Room was once again turned into a concert hall on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> February, as girls from Years 7 to Upper VIth took to the stage to perform their instruments and sing their hearts out. We were treated to some fine performances, and it was wonderful to welcome Junior String Group to the concert for the first time, too. Particular mention must go towards the Upper VI<sup>th</sup>, for whom it was their last ever Informal Concert. As ever, Alex, Phoebe and Claudia produced memorable performances, and they will be

missed. However it was also good to see that there are members of the LVith and further down the School who are now ready to step into their shoes.

### *Mind how you go now*

**A**s usual at this time of year PC Tim Fallon from the School Involvement Team will be coming in to visit girls in Yr7, 8 and 10 on February 17<sup>th</sup>. He will be talking to the 7's and 8's about Bullying and the Law. This talk looks at what constitutes bullying including cyber bullying and explains the criminal offences that apply. With Y10 PC Tim will be informing girls about laws in relation to illegal drugs and the consumption of alcohol. He will also include advice about keeping themselves safe when they are out.

### *This sporting life*

**M**s Maher would like parents and pupils to be aware of further changes to the new structure for Sports Clubs for this term, as she has added yet another Sports Club which is excellent news! All Clubs are open to all age groups unless otherwise indicated.

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>
<b>Judo Club</b> (4 -5.30pm)	<b>Fitness Club/ Football Club</b> (3.20 ~ 4.30pm) <b>Kickboxing</b> [Y1 ~ UVIth only] (4.15 – 5.15pm)	<b>Running Club</b> (1.15 ~ 1.45pm)	<b>Netball Club</b> (4 – 5.15pm)

### *Library News*

**T**he following appointments have been made in relation to the Library:

#### **Senior Assistant Librarians**

Elizabeth F  
Marissa

#### **Junior Assistant Librarians**

Ines  
Millie C-B  
Faith  
Andrea

Grace H  
 Ellie H  
 Myriam W

*Going around the Houses*

	Canterbury	Iona	Santiago	Walsingham
<b>Honours Cards</b>	<b>Scarlett</b> <b>Lucy H</b> <b>Lyn Yan</b> <b>Alexandra C</b>	<b>Maude</b> <b>Anh Kieu</b> <b>Victoria B</b> <b>Marie-Isabelle</b> <b>Julia</b> <b>Jemima</b> <b>Aneta</b> <b>Magdalena</b> <b>Freya</b>	<b>Najd</b> <b>Kate</b> <b>Suhayla</b> <b>Mardi *2</b> <b>Yasmin B</b> <b>Kitty M</b> <b>Siobhan</b>	<b>Emilia C-B</b> <b>Biba</b> <b>Natasha W</b> <b>Eman</b> <b>Priscilla</b> <b>Dredheza</b> <b>Anum</b> <b>Valeria</b>

Special congratulations to the following girls on reaching their Certificate of Achievement (25 credits)

**Biba Thomas**

<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	
<b>CANTERBURY</b>	<b>799</b>
<b>IONA</b>	<b>739</b>
<b>SANTIAGO</b>	<b>672</b>
<b>WALSINGHAM</b>	<b>773</b>

House of the Week is **Walsingham** (once again!)

*In the weeks to come*

<b>Monday 7<sup>th</sup> February</b>	House Countdown week starts After school: Geography Lecture at Royal Holloway College, London 3.30pm: Senior Chamber Choir
<b>Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> February</b>	House Countdown P 2 to end of day: VIth Form Classics trip
<b>Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> February</b>	House Countdown
<b>Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> February</b>	House Countdown
<b>Friday 11<sup>th</sup> February</b>	House Countdown Final
<b>Monday 14<sup>th</sup> February</b>	All day: A Level Music conference 3.30pm: Senior Chamber Choir
<b>Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> February</b>	3.20pm: U11 and U12 Hockey v Queen's Gate
<b>Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> February</b>	am: Year 9 and LVith Art trip to the V & A
<b>Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> February</b>	AS Mid-term examinations for LVith am: Police talks to Y7,8,10 4.30 ~ 5.30pm U15 Hockey v Queen's Gate 6.30pm: Composing Concert
<b>Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February</b>	AS Mid-term examinations for LVith 3.20pm: Half Term holiday starts
<b>Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February</b>	Term resumes 2pm GCSE Drama assessed performance 3.30pm: Senior Chamber Choir
<b>Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March</b>	
<b>Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March</b>	Year 11 GCSE Science modules 3.30 ~ 4.45pm Junior & Senior Choirs
<b>Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March</b>	All day: Year 9 History trip to the Imperial War Museum Year 11 GCSE Science Modules 6.30pm: Year 9 Option Meetings for girls and their parents.

Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 10 & Year 11 Science Modules
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**With best wishes for a peaceful weekend**

*Robert Carlyle*