



MORE HOUSE SCHOOL

Newsletter

Friday 4th November 2011

Dear Parents,

The half term holiday is behind us and suddenly it feels as if we are motoring on down to Christmas ~ two weekss to Prize-giving and three weeks to the start of Advent. A reasonably quiet week this week, although it was very interesting to hear of the success of the Spanish Music Tour over half term. The UVIth Biologists were out at a field centre, with Ms Hungerford, for the start of the week, our would-be medics and Oxbridge hopefuls had their BMAT & ELAT examinations, the Classics and History of Art UVIth were out to the British Museum, there was a Parents' Evening and, of course, a Holy Day of Obligation.

Dissatisfaction in Consumer paradise ~ Part 2

Mrs Leach has now met with representatives from the Harrods Uniform Department. It was what the Army describes as 'an interview without coffee' and it is fair to say that they left with a very clear idea of the reasons for our dissatisfaction. Harrods have assured us that they do wish still to be our uniform suppliers and that, in no way, are they moving out of the business of supplying uniform. They are also aware that if the quality of the service which they are providing to our Parent Body does not improve significantly then we will look elsewhere. In the meantime please contact Harrods directly if they are unable to supply the uniform which you need to express you dissatisfaction with the situation.

One further change which should also come from this meeting relates to our track suit. We have been aware that some parents have been understandably unhappy about the fact that it is not possible to buy replacement bottoms without buying the full set (thus having a jacket which is not needed). By modifying our tracksuit a little in the future it should be possible for you to make a 'bottom only' purchase.

A change of Speaker

Just before the end of last half term the School heard from Lady Rachel Billington, who was due to be our Guest of Honour at Prizegiving, that she had double booked herself by agreeing to attend our function and that therefore she would not be able to attend. We have been very fortunate, through the good offices of Father Fox, one of our Governors, to secure Gwen Griffith-Dickson, the Director of The Lokahi Institute, as our Guest of Honour.

Free nibbles!

Just a brief reminder that the AGM of The More House Parents' Association will be held on the evening of Thursday 10th November at 6.30pm. All parents are welcome to this event which, it has to be said, is as much a social event as it is a business meeting. The MHPA Organising Committee does a very great deal to help the girls and the School in general and they would very much welcome your support.

Please also remember, and mark in your diary, that the MHPA Christmas Fayre is on Saturday 3rd December. This is an opportunity to support the girls' charitable work, boost the MHPA funds and get some Christmas shopping done whilst also having a thoroughly enjoyable time ~ there will even be an opportunity to visit Santa in his grotto! What's not to like?

The Three Penny Opera

Tickets for this production are now on sale through the School website. Details of the Rehearsal Schedule for this half term are to be found at the end of this issue of *The Newsletter*.

In the weeks to come

Monday 7 th November	Lunchtime: Inter-House Brains 3.30pm Hans Woyda Maths fixture 3.30-4.30pm: Senior Chamber Choir
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Tuesday 8 th November	All day: VIth Form Chemistry lectures All day: Y9 Geography trip to the British Museum AM: GCSE English examinations Lunchtime: Inter-House Brains PM: Y10 & 11 GCSE Science modules 4-5.30pm: Art Portfolio Club
Wednesday 9 th November	Lunchtime: Inter-House Brains 6.30pm: Post 16 Information Evening for Year 11 and their Parents
Thursday 10 th November	Lunchtime: Inter-House Brains 4-6pm VIth Form Life Drawing 6.30pm: MHPA AGM
Friday 11 th November	All day: Year 10 GCSE Science Live! PM: GCSE English
Monday 14 th November	GCSE Science Modules (Y10 & Y11) Swimming Trials v Queens Gate 3.30 – 4.30pm Junior Informal Concert 6.30pm Senior Informal Concert
Tuesday 15 th November	GCSE Science Modules (Y11) 4 – 5.30pm VIth Form Portfolio Club 4.30 – 6.30pm Year 7 Parents Evening
Wednesday 16 th November	All day: VIth Form Art, Textiles and History of Art trip to the Wallace Collection. Lunchtime ~ More's Household <i>Food for thought</i> lunch.
Thursday 17 th November	PRIZEGIVING ~ <i>special arrangements throughout the day and evening.</i>
Friday 18 th November	Occasional Day ~ school closed except for rehearsals.

With best wishes for a peaceful and safe Guy Fawkes weekend.

Robert Carlyle

A letter from the Producers and Directors of The Three Penny Opera.

Dear Parents,

We are very much looking forward to this term's production of 'The Threepenny Opera' which takes place on Wednesday 7th and Thursday 8th December at the POSK theatre in Hammersmith. You can now order tickets on the school's website, or by contacting the school office in person.

Attached is the rehearsal schedule for the term. It is essential that all cast attend rehearsals as scheduled and are prepared for these. Please note the Sunday rehearsals on 27th November and 4th December.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to seeing you at the show!

Yours faithfully,

Mr. D. Bignell
Mr. M. Keeley
Ms. J. North

THE THREEPENNY OPERA

Rehearsal Schedule

* * * ONLY FIVE WEEKS TO GO! * * *

Important Dates

Friday Rehearsal: 18th November 10:00 – 3:00

Sunday Rehearsal: 27th November 10:00 – 4:00

Sunday Rehearsal: 4th December 10:00 – 4:00

Dress Rehearsal at POSK: Tuesday 6th December (all day)

Matinee and Evening Performance: Wednesday 7th December (all day)

Evening Performance: Thursday 8th December (7:30 – 9:15 p.m)

Rehearsals will take place every day after school. Make sure you study this schedule carefully and turn up promptly for all your rehearsals.

You should go to the Drama Studio for all your rehearsals, except for TUESDAYS, when you should go to the Dining Room. If you are rehearsing songs, you may be re-directed to another part of the school, but go to the Drama Studio first.

Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays: 3:20 – 5:30

Tuesdays and Thursdays: 4:00 – 6:00

Week One – Tuesday 1st November – Friday 4th November

Tuesday	3.7
Wednesday	3.9
Thursday	3.8 (In L36 due to Year 9 Parents' Evening)
Friday	Whole Play – ALL CAST REQUIRED

Week Two – Monday 7th November – Friday 11th November

Monday	Act 1
Tuesday	Act 2
Wednesday	Act 3
Thursday	Whole Play
Friday	Whole Play

Week Three – Monday 14th November – Friday 18th November

Monday	Act 1
Tuesday	Act 2
Wednesday	Act 3
Thursday	– NO REHEARSAL - Prizegiving
Friday	– WHOLE PLAY – ALL CAST REQUIRED

Week Four – Monday 21st November – Friday 25th November

Monday	Act 1
Tuesday	NO REHEARSAL (Year 11 Parents' Evening)
Wednesday	Act 2
Thursday	Act 3
Friday	WHOLE PLAY

Sunday 27th November – WHOLE PLAY

Week Five – Monday 28th November – Friday 2nd December

Monday	Act 1
Tuesday	Act 2
Wednesday	Act 3
Thursday	WHOLE PLAY
Friday	WHOLE PLAY

Sunday 4th December – WHOLE PLAY

Week Six – THE REAL THING! – Monday 5th September – Thursday 8th December

Monday	Bits and Bobs (We will let we know if we need you for this.)
Tuesday	Dress rehearsal (at POSK all day.)*
Wednesday	Matinee performance and Evening Performance (at POSK all day.)*
Thursday	Evening Performance (7:30 – arrive at POSK at 5:15)

* You should come to school as normal – we will organize a coach to take you to the theatre.

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In-Store Dining

You can even use your Gift Card as payment in any of our 28 in-store restaurants, cafés and eateries. Sometimes, only the very best will do. The internationally acclaimed chefs at our premium restaurants prepare innovative cuisine from across the globe, from sushi to traditional wood-fired pizza and Parisian splendour at the iconic Ladurée. From aromatic Italian coffee and sweet treats to saintly yet sublime snacks at the East Dulwich Deli, our eateries offer plenty of options for light lunches and refuelling on-the-go. Our family friendly restaurants cater for customers of all ages, whether you favour all-American favourites or a hedonistically indulgent chocolate fondue.



Special Events

Spanning 4.5 acres over seven floors, there's always plenty to see and do at Harrods.

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