

What's New This Week?

Preparatory School



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Dear Parents

Yesterday, we welcomed Pope Benedict to the UK and this morning all our pupils took part in the "Big Assembly" where the Pope gave an address particularly aimed at children and young people. We were very proud that one of our pupils, Lucy Barratt from Year 4, was able to attend and we look forward to hearing her first-hand account of the experience in next week's newsletter. In the spirit of celebrating this historic event, the Preparatory School was decorated with papal bunting and balloons in the gold and yellow colours of the Vatican flag (thank you Mrs Baird!). To add to the festivities, everyone enjoyed squash with their lunch and "Mini Milk" lollies for dessert! All the children will be bringing home a special papal flag today as a souvenir of the event.



Papal Quiz

Congratulations to all those who entered our Papal Quiz. Nearly everyone obtained full marks! All those who entered have received a House Point, a Headteacher's sticker and a packet of sweets.

'Big Pictures for the Big Assembly' Competition

Congratulations to the group of Year 11 photographers whose photographs were chosen by the Catholic Education Service for England and Wales and made into backdrops for the Big Assembly by a professional design agency.

New Academic Year Service

It was wonderful to welcome so many parents and visitors to our special service on Wednesday. Father Frank asked God to bless us all as we begin the new academic year and gave a special blessing to all our new pupils and members of staff. Thank you to Miss Hunter for preparing our

liturgy and to Father Frank for giving up his time to be with us.

Staff Announcement

Please be aware that this term, during Mrs Kightley's absence, Mr McIntosh will be Acting Deputy Head.

Golden Book Awards

Congratulations to the following children who were entered into the Golden Book this week:

6A	Benjamin Clark Daisy Clover Grace Key Maiia Tolia-Shah	6S	Daisy Adams Natalie Chan Cerys Dunmow Callum Rayment
5F	Ellena Collett Conall Hornett Layla Sammour	5T	Luke Freestone Thomas Hughes Isobel Moyler Thomas Spilsbury
4D	Frederick Beecroft James Holt Mia Ramage Aidan Turner-Wallace	4R	Zoe Dunmow Luke Harding Toby Warren Samantha Whetstone
3H	Freya Adams Molly Brignell Myles Coyne	3M	Olivia Buckland Maximus Lawes Darcie Macarthur Fleur Wharton
2H	Lucy Bateman Felix Russell Danielle Sirett William Wakeman	2P	Ravit Dewan Daniel Holt Libby Murray Verity Winsor
2R	Jake Adams India Gwyn-Williams Grace Lingwood Sylvie Smith	1G	Zak Dennison Joshua Gundle Sophie Kingston Tobias McBurney
1M	Anthony Macleod Tianna Yagnik	RG	Katie Bateman Rebecca Bentinck Connor Brown Ochenehi Daudu
RU	Ralph Courtney-Cook Elisabeth Dalby Louisa Napper	PR	All of Pre-Reception

6A Class Assembly

Parents of children in 6A are warmly invited to attend a class assembly on Thursday 30 September at 8.50am in the Preparatory School Hall. Tea and coffee will be served in Beaulieu from 8.30am.

Art Attack!

This year, every year group will be given the chance to work with a real artist, Mrs Jackie Kilpin, for half a day each term. This week, Year 1 began this new initiative and were immersed in creating paintings and clay models of dragons.



Music

Young Voices 2011

A gentle reminder that all forms for those Year 5 & 6 children participating in the Young Voices event at the O2 on Wednesday 12 January 2011 must be returned to Mrs Brignell in the Preparatory School Office by Monday.

Theory and Aural

Please note the following times for Theory & Aural which will start from next week:

Monday	12.00-12.30pm	Years 5 & 6 Theory & Aural	MU3
	12.40-1.10pm	Years 3 & 4 Theory & Aural	MU2
Tuesday	12.00-12.30pm	Overflow class for anyone unable to attend the above classes	MU3

Dropping off instruments

Please note that if you are dropping off instruments, including guitars and cellos, this should now be done in the room next to MU3 and not in the teaching rooms or the Senior School instrument store cupboard.

String Scheme

Please can all parents whose children took part in the String Scheme last year, return their instruments to the Preparatory School Office.

Extra-curricular clubs

Football

There will be a Year 2 football club taking place on Fridays from 12.00-12.30pm. Spaces are limited to 14; please register for a place with Mrs Brignell in the Preparatory School Office.

Tennis

Tennis lessons will run as normal on Open Morning.

Sport

Football

Congratulations to Matthew Cook (4R) who was invited to attend a Development Day with Colchester United Football Club (CUFC) and was consequently offered a contract with the team.



Over the summer break, Matthew also took part in a week long football tournament in Aarhus, Denmark playing for the Kent Elite U11s.

Netball

Please that there will not be a netball tournament on Wednesday 1 December as listed in the Termly Calendar.

Timetable

Please see below a key to help with the understanding of your child's timetable:

4-HU-H	Year 4 - Subject - Class
HUM	Subject
CHU	Teacher initials
PR12	Room

Subject:

MA	Mathematics	DR	Drama
EN	English	IT	Information Technology
SC	Science	FR	French
AR	Art	LAT	Latin
RE	Religious Education	PE	Physical Education
SW	Swimming	GA	Games
MM	Mental Maths	GST	General Study
REC	Recorders	ASM	Assemblies
MU	Music	HUM	Humanities (Geography & History)

Uniform

Hats & coats

Please can all parents be aware that children are expected to wear their hats and coats to and from the car when being dropped off or picked up from the Preparatory School.

Ordering sports uniform

Please be aware that the Uniform Shop is experiencing some difficulties with ordering the new hockey/rugby shirt and the black tracksuit. These items are imported, some from Pakistan, and at present, there are problems with air freight. As soon as these items are available, the Uniform Shop will of course do all that they can to supply the uniform.

NHVS

Seeking Drivers!!

We are looking for mini bus drivers who would be willing to drive occasionally for our lunchtime and Saturday morning groups. If you think you could spare a few hours please do contact Elizabeth Williams on ext. 488.

Children's Holiday

The NHVS Children's Holiday Team would like to thank everyone who supported the holiday this year. Again it was a great success, the children had a wonderful fun packed time and the students and helpers went home suitably shattered. We are always so grateful for the amazing response to our appeal every year, thank you for your continued support.

Travel

Please note that all school buses will operate on Open Morning on Saturday 25 September. Pupils will be collected at their normal morning time, but departure from school will be at 1.00pm.

Lost Property

The following pupils have lost various named pieces of property:

- Aaron Stone (4R) - new black Nike football boots, size 1

Could we please ask all parents to check names on uniform items. If any of these items are found, please hand in to the School Office.

Yours sincerely

Sarah Conrad

Mrs S H Conrad
HEADTEACHER

What's New This Week? Is issued every Friday during the school term. If you have any news which you would like published in an edition of *What's New This Week?*, please email c.tayler@newhallschool.co.uk.

BRAIN CHALLENGE

Brain Challenge Number 1 Solution

If MAUREEN is written over and over again like this: MAUREENMAUREENMAUREEN...

- What is the 16th letter A
- What is the 39th letter R
- What is the 105th letter? N

Well done to Apollo Wilkins (2R), Grace Key (6A), Callum Bain (6A) and Lucy Greenwood (6S).

And here is the next challenge:


An assistant in a butcher's shop is 5'10" tall. What does he weigh?

Answers on a piece of paper (with your name and class teacher) to Mr Shah in the Science Lab. Parents please refrain from participating! First pupil to submit the correct answer wins a prize.


Forthcoming Events

Date	Time	Event
Tue 24 Sept	4.00pm	U9A/U9B Boys' Rugby v Bishop's Stortford School
Wed 22 Sept		Year 3 Trip to Colchester Castle
Fri 24 Sept	2.45pm	U10 & U11 Netball v Brentwood Preparatory School
Fri 24 Sept	2.45pm	U10 & U11 Rugby v Brentwood Preparatory School
Thu 30 Sept	8.50am	6A Class Assembly

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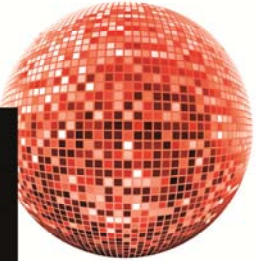



New Hall School



with *Scott Cole*

Latin & Ballroom Dance classes for all abilities from age 8 - adult.
Michaelmas Term 2010



All classes will be £70 per term for 10 sessions starting on Wednesday 15 September in the Barn.

For classes & times please visit:
www.newhallschool.co.uk/events

Prayer for the Papal Visit 2010

God of truth and love,
Your Son, Jesus Christ, stands as the light
To all who seek you with a sincere heart.
As we strive with your grace
To be faithful in word and deed,
May we reflect the kindly light of Christ
And offer a witness of hope and peace to all.
We pray for Pope Benedict
And look forward with joy
To his forthcoming visit to our countries.
May he be a witness to the unity and hope
Which is your will for all people.
We make our prayer through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Prayer Corner

This week we pray for:

Adam & Noah Warne's grandfather who is in hospital at the moment.

Isabella and Joseph Sidwell whose great grandmother has passed away.

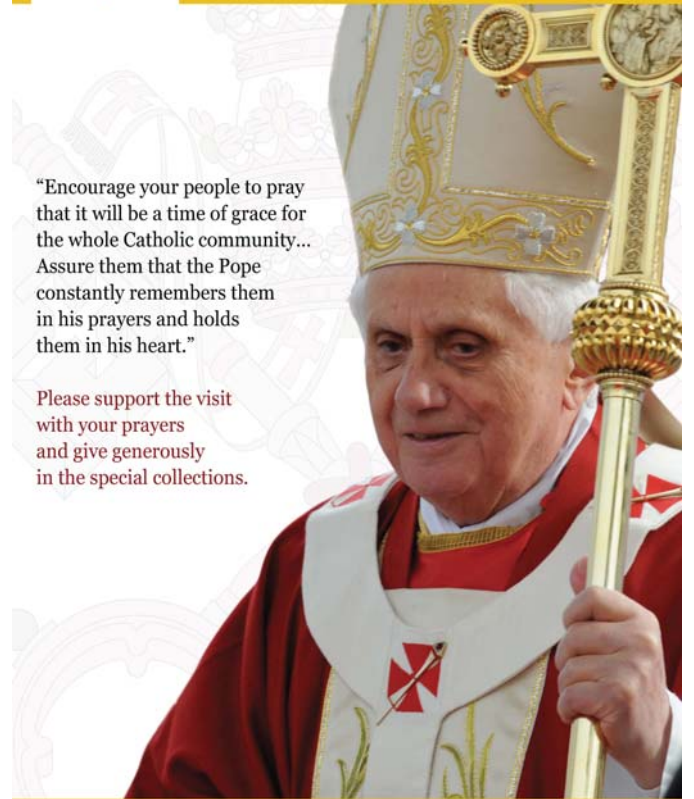
Mrs Hedditch-Grey's brother Ben who is starting treatment on Monday.



PAPAL VISIT TO THE UK
16th-19th September 2010

"Encourage your people to pray that it will be a time of grace for the whole Catholic community... Assure them that the Pope constantly remembers them in his prayers and holds them in his heart."

Please support the visit with your prayers and give generously in the special collections.



www.thepapalvisit.org.uk

