

What's New This Week?

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New Hall School, Chelmsford



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Weekly Newsletter

Dear Parents

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In the whole history of the world, nobody has ever been quite so brave as Mary, a teenager from a little, unknown town in Israel. Everything depended on what she would say when the Angel Gabriel announced to her that she would give birth to the Son of God. It is sometimes easy for us to forget that Mary had a choice. She could have said, "no way" and thought about all the things she would rather be doing. But instead Mary took a radical step. She said to Gabriel "let it happen according to Gods plan". Mary let God have her whole life with no "ifs", "ands", or "buts". During this month of May, let us pray that we can become as generous as Mary was with her life.

Golden Book Awards

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

6R	Isobel Bickersteth James McLeish Samuel Jones	6H	Grace Carroll Cameron Griffiths Rebecca Kimberlin Samuel Makins
6A	Grant Beard Jahnvi Lele Ruby-Mae Wellman	5D	Charlotte Brooke- Walder Daisy Clover Tara Durkan Abby Fowler
5F	Imogen Coker Samantha Moody	4P	Chloe Elsom Olivia Fenton Holly Haslam Cameron Lee
4H	Joseph August Megan Cotton Aleisha Moore Charles Young	3M	Elizabeth Attwood Ethan Doyle Annabelle Harle Eloise Winsor
3R	Ralph Carroll Zoe Dunmow Luke Harding Eden Waite Charlotte Underwood	2S	Amelia August Molly Brignell Cameron Searle
2I	Olivia Buckland Daisy Theakston Maximus Lawes	1B	India Gwyn-Williams Erin Heffernan
1M	Brenna Doyle Leila McMillan	1G	Ravit Dewan Daniel Holt Oliver Warn
RL	Francesca Minnis Sacha Oxlade-Creswell Anna Maria Romero Poppy Theakston	RU	Zarah Okakah Jaydhan Prabhakar
PR	Isabella Basile Ella Downes Kyan Bailey	PR	Hugo Ruiz Isabella Sidwell

May Day Procession

Pupils celebrated the start of the month of May with a special assembly about Mary and a procession to the Grotto of Our Lady on the school grounds. With the help of some Year 5 and 6 pupils, Miss Hunter shared key ideas such as 'Why is Mary so special to us?', 'Why is the month of May dedicated to Mary?' and 'Why does Mary always wear blue'.

After reciting a short decade of the Rosary, we processed over to the statue of our Lady where we laid flowers. It was a very spiritual and special service. Thank you to Mrs Morris for making the beautiful crown of flowers for the statue of Mary and thank you to Miss Hunter for organising and leading the service so beautifully.



Mock Election

To mark the General Election, Sixth Form students at New Hall Senior School have been running as Parliamentary Candidates in a Mock Election. The Sixth Form candidates came and spoke to Year 6 students on Tuesday afternoon in an attempt to persuade them to vote for their parties. On

Thursday 6 May Year 5 and 6 pupils and staff were invited to visit the North Room Polling Station and the results are as follows: Conservative, 322; Green, 71; Labour, 36; Liberal Democrat, 126; UKIP, 70. This was an excellent insight for our pupils into why it is so important that we are a democracy.



1G Class Assembly

Parents of children in 1G are warmly invited to attend a class assembly on Thursday 13 May at 8.50am in the Preparatory School Hall. Tea and coffee will be served in Beaulieu from 8.30am.

Preparatory School Parents' Forum

I look forward to meeting with the class parent representatives this Wednesday 12 May at 9.00am in the Newnham Room in the Senior School.

Sainsburys' Active Kids Vouchers 2010

Once again, we will be collecting the Sainsburys' Active Kids Vouchers. The collection box is now in the Preparatory School Reception.

Tesco for Schools and Club Vouchers 2010

The collection box for these vouchers is in the Preparatory School Reception. We would appreciate your help with collecting these.

Sport

Cricket

U11B Boys' Cricket v Holmwood House

The team improved their bowling however they conceded too many extras in their first over. The fielding was good, with Gregory Oxlade making some excellent stops. Sam Makins kept wicket well and learnt as the game went on. Harry Phelps and Ethan Barber both took wickets. As Holmwood House began to field, the pressure was on to score quick runs. There were some good shots by Sam Cooper and effective blocking by James Mcleish stood out in the mid-order, coupled with James Bacon making a few strong shots. Ben Coxon came to the crease and finished as top scorer. Unfortunately Holmwood House won the game. The game was a good opportunity to see the work that all the players had done over the winter cricket sessions, but also showed that with more game practice the team will improve their performance.

U11A Boys' Cricket v Holmwood House

The cricket team played their first game of the season on Saturday 1 May against Holmwood House. In bright conditions, Holmwood House chose to bat first. With Kavin Kugan and James Berry bowling, the increased pace in delivery was clearly evident. The next spell of bowling by Toby Scott and Grant Beard was also accurate, despite a few loose deliveries. Holmwood House posted a strong total leaving New Hall a run chase of 8 runs an over. In response, Grant Beard and Kavin Kugan began with some good batting before Grant went to join his football team in a cup final! James Berry took over; both players scored well, and made it difficult for the bowlers to select the appropriate tactics. New Hall were on 79 runs after 15 overs for only 2 wickets down. Toby Scott and George Shield both made positive starts, but were bowled and caught out respectively before reaching double figures. Alex Acheson played well but Holmwood House were victorious as the overs ran out. This was a good effort by all of the team as it was the first game of the season. More fielding practice and better field placement in future, alongside continued nets practice will improve team performance.

Tennis

There are still spaces in the tennis competitions which are open to all boys and girls:

U9	Years 3 & 4	Saturday 15 May	2.00-5.00pm
U11	Years 5 & 6	Saturday 12 June	2.00-5.00pm

Please can you return your reply slip or contact Mr Bennett on a.bennett@newhallschool.co.uk if you wish to take part.

Dance

Congratulations to our pupils who achieved the following results in their RAD Ballet Exams:

Primary in Dance

	Medal	Award
Helen Burnett	Silver	Merit
Coral Dunk	Bronze	Pass
Oriana Farrell	Bronze	Pass
Isabella Johansen- Howarth	Silver	Merit
Holly Layzell	Bronze	Pass
Grace Lingwood	Silver	Merit
Libby Murray	Gold	Distinction
Alexia Panayiotou	Bronze	Pass
Danielle Sirett	Silver	Merit
Sylvie Smith	Bronze	Pass
Ellen Thompson	Silver	Merit
Niamh Wright	Silver	Merit

Grade 1

Molly Brignell	Merit
Olivia Buckland	Pass
Sophie Carter	Pass
Emily Conrad	Pass
Victoria Hollick	Merit
Abbie Jackson	Merit
Molly Reynolds	Pass
Isabella Warren	Pass
Fleur Wharton	Pass

Grade 3

Felix Fardell	Merit
Lucy Greenwood	Merit
Emily Snow	Merit

Events

NHPA 70's Evening

Please note that this event has unfortunately been cancelled. All of those who have purchased a ticket will be refunded.

Travel Information

From September 2010 we are introducing two new minibus services for students in Yr 3 upwards:

- From Southend via South Woodham Ferrers and Howe Green
- From Epping via North Weald, High Ongar and the A414

If you are interested in either of these services, please contact Mrs G Phillips, Travel Secretary, for more information on gphillips@newhallschool.co.uk.

Lost Property

The following pupils have lost various named pieces of property:

- James Bacon - named swimming bag and kit

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

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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

Forthcoming Events

Date	Time	Event
Mon 10 May		Examination Week Years 2 - 6
Mon 10 May	4.15pm	U11 Girls & Boys Tennis v Brentwood School
Wed 12 May	8.25am	KS1 Prayer Group
Wed 12 May	9.00am	Year 2 Music Medals
Wed 12 May	9.00am	Preparatory School: Parents' Forum
Wed 12 May	1.30pm	2I Class Liturgy with Fr Frank
Wed 12 May	2.00pm	5D Class Liturgy with Fr Frank
Thurs 13 May	8.25am	KS2 Prayer Group
Thurs 13 May	8.50am	1G Class Assembly
Thurs 13 May	3.00pm	U9 Kwik Cricket v Widford Lodge
Fri 14 May	3.00pm	U10 Cricket v Widford Lodge
Fri 14 May	3.00pm	U10 Rounders v Widford Lodge
Sat 15 May	2.00pm	U9 New Hall Tennis Competition (Years 3 & 4)
Fri 21 May	7.30pm	NHVS Quiz Night



Mary, you listened to God and trusted him to guide your life. May we be ready to listen to God in all situations.

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Key Stage One Vs Key Stage Two

FATHERS' CRICKET MATCH

2 July 2010, 4.00pm, New Hall School



If you would like to play contact Kevin Searle on k.searle@newhallschool.co.uk

This event will be after sports day so timing is approximate. We will play for a couple of hours - any standard is welcome. This is a fun event!

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