

What's New?

Senior School

Weekly Newsletter

New Hall School, Chelmsford



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Dear Parents,

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Blessing of the Chapel

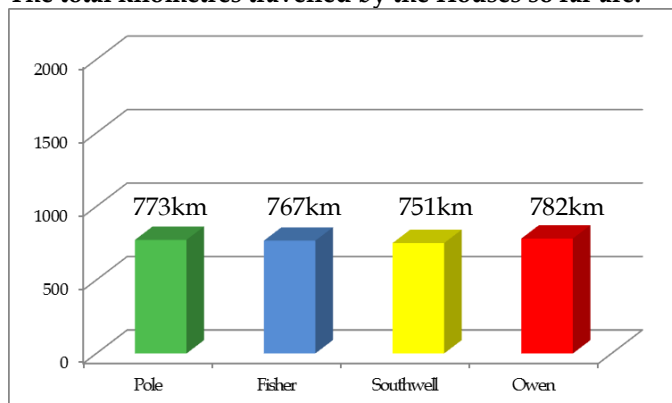


During Sunday Mass our beautifully refurbished Chapel was blessed by Thomas McMahon, Bishop of Brentwood. In his Homily, Bishop Thomas spoke about the splendour of the refurbishment and explained the significance of the Altar, the Ambo and the Chair. After Mass Bishop Thomas greeted Parishioners, staff and students and commented on the wonderful music that enriched the occasion.

Gold Challenge Update

Thank you to all who have sponsored or given donations to the Gold Challenge this week. Each House is aiming to complete 2012km of sport by Sports Day to raise funds for local charity, Kids Inspire. The deadline is fast approaching to find out if New Hall is ranked as one of the top four fundraising schools by Gold Challenge or as the highest fundraiser for Kids Inspire. If New Hall has raised enough money, our students could win the opportunity to have their own 100m race at the Olympic Stadium on 1 April 2012. We have until 29 February to achieve this so we really need to help our students reach this target.

The total kilometres travelled by the Houses so far are:



Sport

Full write-ups are on the school website:
newhallschool.co.uk

Cross Country

Fantastic Results for Jemima

Jemima Walker (Year 8) has achieved great results recently, including finishing 4th in the U13 Essex Cross Country League. She has also been selected to represent Essex in the UK Inter-Counties Cross Country Championships at Birmingham on Saturday, 10 March 2012 and the Southern Schools Inter-Counties Cross Country at Basildon on Saturday 4 February 2012. Jemima has already competed as part of the Essex team in the South of England Inter-County Cross Country Championships in December, where Essex finished 3rd. These are all outstanding results for Jemima and we wish her luck in the upcoming competitions.

Hockey

JAC Essex Squads Selection



Congratulations to Antonia Kitchiner (Year 8), Nicole Benfield (Year 8) and Rachael Sims (Year 8) who have been selected for the Essex U13 squad, and to Samantha Howe (Year 9), Eleanor McCaffrey (Year 9) and Freya Pelling (Year 9), who have been selected for the Essex U14 squad. Congratulations also to Ruth Alderton (Year 10) and Isabel James (Year 10), who have been selected for the Essex U16 squad. Selection for the U15 squad is yet to be announced. This is a fantastic opportunity for the girls and highlights the ever-increasing success of girls' sport at New Hall.

Netball Results:

Team	Opposition	Score	Player of the Match
U12A	Orwell Park	Won 19-7	Lily Langford
U12B	Orwell Park	Won 36-2	Katy Horwitz
U13A	Orwell Park	Lost 12-17	Phoebe Allen
U13B	Orwell Park	Won 9-5	Hannah Rothmann
U14A	Ramsey School	Won 53-1	
U14B	Ramsey School	Won 33-1	
1 st /2 nd VII	Woodbridge School 1 st VII	Lost 22-12	Gloria Bajowa
U15A	Ipswich High School	Lost 20-15	Ailish Hunt
U15B	Ipswich High School	Won 11-9	Julia Fernandez
U15A	Woodbridge School	Won 24-5	Emily Holloway
U15B	Woodbridge School	Won 17-7	Sophie Nixon
U14A	Woodbridge School	Won 18-11	Madelaine Twaite
U14B	Woodbridge School	Won 16-4	Isabella Davies and Alexandra Malyon-Davies
U14C	Woodbridge School	Won 13-4	Gemma Cotton and Ella Banks
U12B VII	Brentwood Ursuline Convent School	Won 24-0	Amber Wright
U13A	Brentwood Ursuline Convent School	Won 31-13	Lydia Allen
U13B	Brentwood Ursuline Convent School	Won 38-1	Grace Carroll

Rugby Rugby Trial Success



George Perkins (Year 11) has been selected to play in the final London Schools' 16 Group Trials on Sunday, 29 January at Wellington College, Berkshire. If selected, George will attend the England Schools' Trials on 10, 11 and 12 February 2012 in Coventry. Alfie Adelman (Year 11) is also at the London Trial as a reserve and will have the same fantastic opportunity as George if he is selected.

U15 Rugby Boys Are Through to Quarter Finals

Congratulations to the New Hall U15 rugby team who are through to the quarter finals for the Daily Mail Vase. The New Hall team won 14-0 against St George's College, Weybridge last week, so will be representing London and

the South East of England in the final eight for the Daily Mail Vase. They will play Dauntsey School, Wiltshire, on Wednesday, 1 February 2012.

Rugby Results:

Team	Opposition	Score	Man of the Match
U15	St Georges Harpenden	Lost 15-41	Felix Fletchner
U14A	St Georges Harpenden	Won 50-0	Stephen Tully
U13A	St Georges Harpenden	Lost 10-26	George O'Flaherty
U13B	St Georges Harpenden	Won 19-5	Thomas Spilsbury
U12A	St Georges Harpenden	Won 27-7	Gregory Oxlade
U12B	St Georges Harpenden	Lost 27-0	Tom Durkan

Swimming Swimming Gala

On Tuesday, 17 January, a swimming gala for Years 7-11 was held against Moulsham High School. The New Hall boys won 150-53 and the girls won 130-100. Both teams swam fantastically and these are great results for the first gala of the season.

Year 7 and 8 Disco

A Valentine's Disco is being held on Thursday, 9 February 2012 at 7.00pm for students in Years 7 and 8. The event is being organised by students who are fundraising for their Operation Wallacea Expedition. Tickets cost £3 and will be available soon.

NHVS Fashion Show

The New Hall Voluntary Service will be holding its annual Fashion Show on Wednesday, 14 March 2012. The event aims to raise money to support the holiday for disadvantaged children that takes place every year during the first week of the summer holiday. This year the event will have a movie theme and we are looking for volunteers from Years 12 and 13 to become involved. If you are interested, please give your name to Grace Williams (Year 13), the NHVS Prefect. If any parents are interested in helping at the event or donating raffle prizes, please contact e.williams@newhallschool.co.uk or paula.ashfield@hotmail.com. Tickets will be on sale soon.

Uniform Shop Website

Our uniform suppliers, Stevensons, have set up a new area on their website where you can now order and pay for uniform online. Please visit www.stevensons.co.uk if you wish to use this service. On your first visit you will need to register, then you can start shopping straight away. Please note this service is not run by New Hall School; if you have any questions please contact The Uniform Shop.

Uniform Shop Closure

Please be advised that The Uniform Shop will be closed on Thursday, 16 February due to refurbishment.

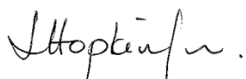
Classical Guitar Evening

Please be advised that the Classical Guitar Evening, due to be held on Monday, 30 February, has now been cancelled. Apologies for any inconvenience caused.

Winter Weather

It would appear that no severe winter weather will affect New Hall this year, but in the unlikely event of the school needing to close, parents will be informed by Clarion Call, via the [New Hall School website](#) and also on the New Hall School twitter feed ([@newhallschool](#)). Local radio stations BBC Essex and Heart FM will also be informed. If you do not hear from us via any of these methods, please assume that the school will be open as normal.

Yours sincerely,



Joy Hopkinson

SENIOR SCHOOL HEADTEACHER

What's New? 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?*, please contact Miss Emma Powell on e.powell@newhallschool.co.uk. The deadline for submissions is 4.00pm on Wednesdays.

Forthcoming Events:

Date	Time	Event
Sat 28 Jan	All Day	Year 9 Entrance and Scholarship Assessments
Wed 1 Feb	1.40 - 1.55pm	Lunchtime Concert
Thu 3 Feb	6.00 - 9.30pm	Sixth Form International Boarders' Quiz
Sat 4 Feb		Years 11 - 13 EAL Trip to Canterbury
Wed 8 - Thu 9 Feb		Years 10 & 11 LAMDA Examinations
Fri 10 - Tue 14 Feb		Years 8 - 13 Choir Tour to Florence
Mon 13 - Sun 19 Feb		Half Term
Sun 19 Feb	4.00 - 6.30pm	All boarders return

BRAIN CHALLENGE

Brain Challenge Number 45 Solution

18 cartridges.

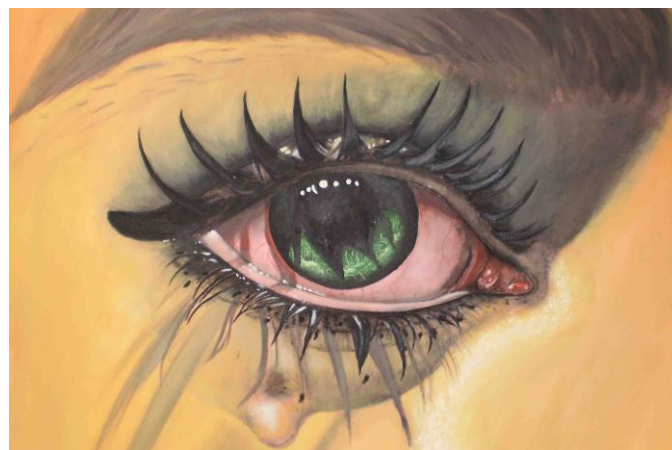
Well done to Thomas Boon (Year 11) who won this week's challenge.

The next challenge is:

At the recent BrainBashers Olympics trials, the 100 metres heats were closely monitored. Each contestant had to run in two races so that the average place could be determined. Only one runner finished in the same place in both races. Alan was never last. Charlie always beat Darren. Brian had at least one first place. Alan finished third in at least one of the races. Both Darren and Charlie had a second place. What were the two results?

See Dr Thomas with the first correct solution to win a prize.

PICTURE OF THE WEEK



This week's picture is by Rebecca Murphy (Year 12).

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New Hall Music School

Spring Concert

Friday 2 March 2012
at 7.00pm
in the Eaton Theatre

Featuring Beethoven, Mozart
and Suite from 'Pirates of the Caribbean'

Tickets are available free of charge
from Mrs F Thom on 01245 467 588
or by email f.thom@newhallschool.co.uk




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Golf Camp



Wednesday 15 - Friday 17 February 2012
Regiments Way Golf Club

New Hall Golf Camp is a 3 day course which offers boys and girls in Year 3-11 a chance to develop their skills under the guidance of experienced golf coaches at a first class golf course. The course is a real opportunity for skills to be honed whilst having fun.

Wednesday & Thursday 9.00am-12.00noon and Friday 9.00am-4.00pm. The course fee for the 3 day Golf Camp is £100 and includes all training, prizes and lunch provided by the Golf Club on the final day.

**For further information please contact
Mr Kevin Searle, Games Coach on
k.searle@newhallschool.co.uk**

A minimum number of participants is required to make this event viable. Places will be confirmed as soon as possible but please book early to avoid disappointment.



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*Price of £100 based on 10 children. Inflatables and party meals will cost extra.



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*Sessions 30 minute each, parents must accompany Preparatory School pupils.

