

# What's New This Week?

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Dear Parents

As the last remnants of the snow still remain on the playground, our thoughts and prayers continue to be with the people of Haiti and the heroic efforts of the rescue teams. Together with the Senior School, we have, to date, raised in excess of £1000.00 in response to the appeal for donations towards the relief efforts. A very big thank-you for your generosity!

## Golden Book Awards

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

6R	Samuel Jones Evangeline Moir-Smith Hannah Notley Samuel Spilsbury	6H	Felix Fardell Cameron Griffiths Benjamin Jones Abbey Yates
6A	James Bacon Anya Dziewulski Jahnvi Lele Chloe Norman	5D	Callum Bain Lucas Bowers Saskia Walmsley
5F	Georgina Mead Samantha Moody Lauren Underwood	4P	Olivia Fenton Thomas Hughes Nicola Jackson Ellie Macarthur
4H	Joseph August Abby Beaumont Willow Gwyn-Williams Conall Hornett	3M	Katherine Barber Alfie Bloomfield Grace Murray Mia Ramage
3R	Ralph Carroll Rebecca Jeffrey Callum Westwood	2S	Molly Brignell Ellena Harvey Ayomide Jaiyesimi Mia Southgate
2I	Benjamin La Rocca Ellie Law Daisy Theakston	1B	Robin Brown Maisie Cussen Erin Heffernan Jacob Pullum
1M	Leila McMillan Niamh Wright	1G	Rosie Bullen Coral Dunk Georgina Gundle
RL	Joshua Gundle Felicity Jeffrey Francesca Minnis Arthur Owens	RU	Roman Anstee Roseanna Clements Katherine Harker Jaydhan Prabhakar
PR	Frederick Ferguson Oluwadamilade Olanrewaju-Olawoyin	PR	Hugo Ruiz

## Dropping-off and picking-up procedures

We are continuing with our new arrangements for dropping-off and picking-up, with a few improvements. To make it easier for you to follow please see the tables below:

### Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1

Dropping-off	
Up to 8:25 am	Beaulieu door via new large playground
From 8:25 am	New large playground
After 8:40 am	Via the front entrance

Picking-up	
3:25 pm	Collect from new large playground
After School Activities	Collect from new large playground

<b>Beaulieu pick-ups</b>	Via large playground through to Preparatory School playground along coned off walkway
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### Key Stage 2

Dropping-off	
Up to 8:25 am	Double doors in Preparatory School playground via large playground
From 8:25 am	New large playground
After 8:40 am	Via the front entrance

Picking-up	
3.25 pm	Collect from new large playground
4.00 pm	Collect from new large playground
4.30 pm	Collect from new large playground
5.30 pm	From the Preparatory School playground

- Out-of-hours pick-ups between the above times should be via the front entrance
- Inclement Weather - Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 dropping-off should be via the Beaulieu door. Key Stage 2 dropping-off should be via the double doors in the Preparatory School playground. Please ensure your child always has their duffle coat and/or cagoule in school.

## House Captains

We are delighted to announce that the following children have been made House Captains:

St Matthew	-	Ruby-Mae Wellman George Shield
St Mark	-	Chloe O'Hare Marco Choi
St Luke	-	Anya Dziejewski William Baird
St John	-	Chloe Thurgood Sam Makins

## Uniform

I would like to take this opportunity to remind you of some uniform requirements:

- All nail varnish is to be removed
- Winter hats and scarves should be plain grey available from the Uniform Shop
- Hair bands/alice bands should be plain black or red
- Length permitting, girls' hair should be tied back and long fringes contained in a band or a clip. Boys' hair should be clear of the ears and collar. Hair gel and high fashion hair styles are not permitted
- Watches can be worn by children from Year 2 upwards. They should be analogue and plain black
- Earrings should only be worn up to six weeks after having the ears pierced and should be covered by tape at all times

## Uniform Shop

Please note that the uniform shop will be closed on Friday 29 January due to their annual stock take.

## Sport

### U11 Rugby Tournament

For your information, on Sunday 31 January there will be an U11 Rugby Tournament at Epsom College. Details will be distributed shortly.

### *Year 3&4 Rugby vs Brentwood Preparatory School*

Following the snow melting comes muddy rugby pitches, the perfect introduction to a new sporting term and the Year 3&4 Rugby teams took a morning trip to Brentwood Preparatory School.

The Year 4 team was a blend of a variety of players with some players with less experience having the opportunity to make their debut. The game started with Brentwood making some good passes, outlining their intent for the match. Indeed, it took a little while for the New Hall boys to adjust to the speed of the passing and running, as Brentwood scored an early try with their outside centre making a long run to score. Edward Lerwill and Conall Hornett made some strong tackles preventing the opposition from being able to pass the ball freely. However, a lack of organisation at rucks and mauls meant that New Hall were often outnumbered in the back line, giving Brentwood 2 more scores before the break.

The New Hall players that were brought on proved they were very keen to make tackles and the determination of runs became more obvious with Oliver Robins showing what a strong ball carrier he is. It was again inexperience that cost New Hall in the second half, as the players are still developing the positional awareness and the different jobs for different players which is so important to rugby. Despite losing the match the team will gain more experience the more games they play.

The Year 3 TAG rugby squad played quite well in the slippery conditions. They started strongly and made some excellent runs. The pick of the tries came from Aaron Stone who darted through several Brentwood players before using his speed to score. Unfortunately, as the game progressed New Hall made a few mistakes which Brentwood capitalised on. The final result was a victory for Brentwood by 9 scores to 7.

## Music

Please note that Mr Corby's music lessons will be cancelled on Monday 22 February.

## Dance

### *Ballet Examinations*

Due to some ballet lessons having to be cancelled because of the snow, the date of the forthcoming ballet examinations has been changed. The examinations will now take place on Sunday 28 March in Parsons Hall. Timings will be advised by Miss Lavelle in due course.

## Extra-Curricular Clubs

### *Chamber Choir Rehearsals*

The Chamber Choir will be rehearsing every morning next week in the Preparatory School Hall from 8.30am to 9.00am. This is to ensure that they are prepared for the forthcoming Stratford and East London Music Festival.

There are still some spaces on the new Years 1-4 Tiny Tees Golf Club which is held on a Tuesday at 4.45pm - 5.45pm. If you would like your child to attend this club, please contact Mrs Brignell on [l.brignell@newhallschool.co.uk](mailto:l.brignell@newhallschool.co.uk).

There will be no Fun Swim on Wednesday 27 January as a Swimming Gala is being held in the pool.

## Christmas Fayre Raffle Prizes

There are still seven raffle prizes to collect from the Christmas Fayre. The winning numbers are Blue 447, Yellow 958, Blue 438, Yellow 215, White 538, Blue 455 and Wine Tasting for Mr & Mrs Smith. Please come to the School Office to collect your prize if you hold one of the winning tickets.

## Sainsburys' Active Kids Vouchers 2010

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

## Shoebboxes

Mrs Reynolds would appreciate any spare shoebboxes that you have at home as they are very useful for Design &

Technology activities. Please bring them into the School Office.

### First Holy Communion

Please could you let Miss Hunter know, via the School Office, if your child is preparing to take their First Holy Communion this year. We would like to support these children as they make this special commitment.

### Charity

#### NHVS Red Cross Lunches

The Wednesday lunchtime group is desperate for adult volunteers to assist with escorting the elderly guests on the minibus. If you think you may be able to help, even if it is only a couple of times a term, please contact Vanessa Benson on 07968 367646 for more information or contact the NHVS office on ext 283.

#### Run for a Child Charity 5K Run - Sunday 21 February 2010

The Brentwood Catholic Children's Society are looking for individuals to represent the school and take part in 'Run for a Child'. This is a charity 5K run taking place on Sunday 21 February at 11.00am, Westley Heights Country Park, Basildon, with the support of Pitsea Running Club. All runners **MUST** pre-register for the event and under 16's must be accompanied by an adult. Do something amazing and help us continue our work supporting children and families in the Diocese - register today! For further information please contact Sarah on 01268 784544 or via email on [skendall@childcareuk.org](mailto:skendall@childcareuk.org). As always, thank you for your continued support of the Society.

### Lost Property

The following pupils have lost various named pieces of property:

- Saskia Walmsley - named school shoes
- Samuel Spilsbury - named rugby shirt and rugby head protector
- Holly Notley - named duffle coat
- Rhiannon Hollis - named PE 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*

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 [l.brignell@newhallschool.co.uk](mailto:l.brignell@newhallschool.co.uk)

### Forthcoming Events

Date	Time	Event
Tues 26 Jan	4.00pm	Swimming Gala vs Holmwood House
Thurs 28 Jan	8.50am	4P Class Assembly
Fri 29 Jan	2.30pm	U9 Football vs Brentwood School
Fri 29 Jan	3.30pm	U10 Netball vs Chigwell School
Fri 29 Jan	5.00pm	Gymnastic Competition
Sat 30 Jan	10.00am	U11 Rugby vs St Margarets School
Sun 31 Jan	9.00am	National School Rugby Tournament
Mon 1 Feb	3.30pm	Tag Rugby vs St Margarets School
Thurs 4 Feb	8.50am	4H Class Assembly
Thurs 4 Feb	3.00pm	U8/U9 Football vs Widford Lodge
Fri 5 Feb	3.00pm	U11 Football vs The Perse School
Fri 5 Feb	3.00pm	U11 Netball vs The Perse School



### Prayer Corner

Dear God,  
We pray that Myles finds peace and his family too.  
Amen

From Angus Jones, 2I



God of all creation,  
as we join together in prayer for the people of Haiti,  
console us.

In this time of crisis, open our eyes to look beyond  
the disaster to the bravery of those involved in the  
rescue mission.

Be with us in our mourning  
and guide our efforts to feed the hungry, shelter the  
homeless and comfort the grieving.  
Lord, in thy mercy, hear our prayer.  
Amen

We pray for Erin and Fionnuala Heffernan's  
Uncle, Dwight Page, as he recovers from his  
illness.