

# What's New This Week?

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Dear Parents

The holy season of Lent gives us a unique opportunity to prepare for the solemnity of Easter and we should make every effort to grasp this opportunity with all our hearts. During the coming 40 days the church calls us to turn back to Jesus and allow him to renew our lives.

In school, we have discussed ways of doing this including spending more time listening and talking to God; saying sorry to anyone we have fallen out with; forgiving anyone who has upset us; fasting from things we enjoy such as chocolate or computer games. Children and staff have been invited to give any pennies they might save from giving up sweets etc to the CAFOD collection boxes in class.

## Head Boy and Head Girl

Congratulations to William Baird and Victoria Pratt on becoming the new Head Boy and Head Girl.



## 3M Assembly

On Thursday, 3M delighted us with their assembly on teeth and healthy eating. We really enjoyed watching their performance of a cautionary tale and hearing their humorous songs about how we should care for our teeth. I am sure we will all brush and floss from now on! Thank you to 3M and Mr McIntosh for educating us in such an enjoyable way.



## Golden Book Awards

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

6R	Ethan Barber James Berry Harry Morgan Ginevra Viscariello	6H	Rebecca Kimberlin Bethany Murphy George Shield
6A	Elena Holt Sindhu Kugan Chloe Norman Victoria Pratt	5D	Callum Bain Daisy Clover Sophia Panayiotou Aaron Phipps
5F	Georgina Mead Rebecca Meer Benedict Stotesbury	4P	Phineas Allen Tom Durkan Olivia Fenton
4H	Ellena Collett Megan Cotton Sofia Garvin Cameron Meechan	3M	Lucy Barrett Darcy Courtney-Cook Elizabeth Murphy
3R	Zoe Dunmow Alfred Fardell Ramis Ibrahim Mikhaela Twimasi	2S	Amelia August Molly Brignell Helen Burnett Emily Brignell Victoria Hollick Joseph Murphy Mia Southgate
2I	Angus Jones Benjamin La Rocca Finley Westwood Fleur Wharton	1B	Robin Brown Maisie Cussen Madison Knight
1M	Lilianne McCorry Ana Cristina Mead Peter Ray	1G	Jake Bain Ravit Dewan Eleanor Jones Oliver Warn
RL	Joshua Gundle Samuel Maddison Isabelle Maze Jasmine Wharton	RU	Ruby-Mae Coyne Ilaria Moir-Smith Zarah Okakah Megan Scott
PR	Jasmina Cashmore	PR	Fredrick Searle

## Essex Regional Quiz Championship

On Wednesday 24 February, the New Hall Quiz Team travelled to Heathcote School for the Essex Regional Quiz Championships. We were all very excited and could not wait for the quiz to start! There were 40 questions in total, with 10 being "the final round". We took an early lead for

the first 10 questions and then Heathcote overtook us. We found some questions very easy and some very hard; as the score chart showed. In the end we came 5<sup>th</sup> out of 12 schools which was a very good result considering it was our first ever quiz. A big thank you to Miss Ives for preparing us.

by Isobel Bickersteth



### National Sing Up Day

On Wednesday, pupils from the Preparatory School and Senior School celebrated National Sing Up Day. Members from all the choirs across the site performed to each other and then joined forces as a massed choir in singing a lively African harvest song led by Mr Fardell.

During the day, all pupils were involved in singing activities led by Mrs Roe and Mrs Romhany. Some class teachers really entered into the spirit of the day by singing the register!



### 2I Assembly

Parents of children in 2I are warmly invited to attend a class assembly on Thursday 11 March at 8.50am in the Preparatory School Hall. Tea and coffee will be served in Beaulieu from 8.30am.

### 2S Assembly

Due to the number of activities happening next week, 2S's assembly will be postponed until the Trinity Term. The new date will be announced shortly.

### Year 1 Medicals

The medicals for 1B and 1G have been scheduled and the date for medicals for 1M has yet to be confirmed but is likely to be after the Easter holidays. A letter will be sent out as soon as Dr Edelsten has confirmed the dates.

### Medicines

We would like to remind you that all medicines (including throat sweets) are to be taken directly to the Medical Room and the relevant form completed with the School Nurse.

### Green Week

On Friday 12 February, Emma from the local authority recycling team came in to teach us about what happens to our rubbish when we throw it away. After break time, Emma showed us how to make keyrings with recycled paper and new straws. It was very interesting.

by Hannah Greenland and Olivia Buckland

### Music

#### Noah's Flood Tickets

Tickets for Noah's Flood on 4, 5 & 6 March are now on sale and are priced at £10.00 or £5.00 for concessions. For further information and the purchase of tickets please ring either 01277 265288 or 07757 411996 or via email on [noyesfludde@dworsfold.myzen.co.uk](mailto:noyesfludde@dworsfold.myzen.co.uk).

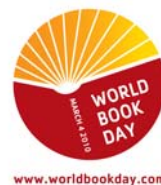
#### Noah's Flood

The school understands that the timings given by Brentwood Cathedral for the Wednesday rehearsal are rather late for such young children. If you need to collect earlier than stipulated the school and organisers perfectly understand.

There will be two rehearsals for those children singing in Noah's Flood. One on Monday morning at 8.30am until 9.10am in the Preparatory School music room in Walkfares, and one on Tuesday morning at 8.45am until 9.15am in the Preparatory School Hall.

### World Book Day

Thursday 4 March 2010 is World Book Day. The Preparatory School will have a selection of books on sale suitable for children of all ages. All children are invited to dress up as a character from their favourite book. Due to the number of charity events we have had recently, we will not be asking for children to bring in a £1.00 donation.



### Extra-Curricular Clubs

#### Tiny Tees Golf

Please note that the Tiny Tees Golf club has been cancelled on Monday 1 and Tuesday 2 March.

#### Years 5 & 6 Choir

Due to a Noah's Flood rehearsal taking place on Wednesday, the Year 5 & 6 Choir will be cancelled.

## Parents' Evening

Parents' Evening is taking place next week on either Monday 1 March or Wednesday 3 March. Please note that clubs are cancelled on these days with the exception of Ballet with Miss Lavelle and private tennis lessons (Year 1 and 2 group tennis lessons will not be taking place).

A reminder that specialist teachers, Year 5 teachers, Mrs Eva and Mrs Hanson will be located in the Preparatory School Hall.

## 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.

## Sport

### Ice Skating

Congratulations to Rebekah Johnston for passing her NISA Level 2 figure skating examination.

### Year 5 Netball Rally

The Year 5 Netball Rally will be taking place on Friday 5 March. Please be aware that due to the number of players taking part, congestion is likely to occur in the car parks up until 5.15pm.

### Cross Country

The cross country event to be held on Sunday 28 February has been cancelled due to poor weather conditions.

### U9 Football vs FKS

The trip to FKS was a chance to make improvements on the recent team performance for the U9 football team. With Charles Young back from a skiing injury and a full squad of 10 players, New Hall were full of confidence. As the game began, FKS players passed the ball around well and made some threatening runs with the New Hall players taking a while to adapt to the speed of the game. FKS hit the first goal, and continued to put pressure on the New Hall players. All of this changed when James Holt and Aaron Stone provided a little more conviction and awareness in the midfield area. A great cross by Matthew Cook gave Charles Young the opportunity to smash the ball in to the goal. Towards the halftime break, New Hall began to mark the FKS attackers, giving them much less time and space than they had enjoyed in the opening encounters.



Following the interval, it was New Hall who made the most positive start. Despite this, they were caught unaware by a long ball, and lack of defenders allowed FKS to score two simple goals. The game then saw action at one end of the pitch, then the other, with Ralph Carroll making three great saves and Edward Lerwill, Toby Warren and Aidan Turner-Wallace making good blocks. On the attack, a fantastic cross by Matthew Cook from the left hand side arrived perfectly for Aaron Stone to hit a left footed volley into the top corner of the goal. With the last play of the game FKS again hit a long ball as New Hall searched for an equaliser, which saw a good cross to the FKS striker at the back post who unfortunately placed the ball into the goal. The end result was 4-2 to FKS, but the New Hall improvement was huge from the previous game.

### U8 & U9 Football vs Widford Lodge

Following the difficulties with the bus, it was nice to welcome Widford Lodge to New Hall for the U9 and U8 football. The weather had tried its best to cause more problems however we were lucky to find a rugby pitch which did not have water on the surface. With two U9 teams and two U8 teams playing, it was going to be a busy afternoon! When Widford Lodge arrived, the New Hall boys had been warming up in the freezing conditions. The U9A team consisting of mostly Year 3 boys played against a physical Year 4 Widford Lodge team, who closed down the space very quickly. This led to constant pressure on the New Hall defence with lots of good work being needed to keep the opposition out. The number of attempts at goal by Widford Lodge saw them emerging as comfortable winners. The U9B team had a more enjoyable afternoon. Some fantastic defending by Aidan Turner-Wallace and Jamie Norman with regular shots on goal by James Holt and Thomas Spilsbury helped to ensure a 4-4 draw.

For the U8's, consisting of several Year 2 boys, the 'A' team scored 2 goals, but were beaten by some good Widford Lodge goals. The 'B' team found the freezing conditions very difficult to play in. The highlight of the first half was a great goal by Ciaran Chambers who worked very hard for the team. In the second half, Ayomide Jaiyesimi and Felix Ruiz became more involved in the game and made some good attacks on goal. However, the deficit from the 1<sup>st</sup> half was too much to come back from.

## Charity

### Little Havens Charity Ball

May this year is officially recognised as National Children's Hospice month and around the country there will be events organised to raise money to fund the facilities and care that is needed to make the children's and their families lives as comfortable and enjoyable as possible. The Little Havens Charity Ball is in aid of children and their families who go to Little Havens which is a hospice for children who have been diagnosed with a terminal illness.

Hannah Liddell a 6th form pupil at New Hall School is organising a Grand Ball at Stock Brook Manor on 29 May, which includes a superb three course meal, followed by magicians, a comedian, an auction, live music and dancing until the early hours. For more information and tickets or if you can't make the night but would like to help sponsor the

event, provide some auction prizes or wish to give a donation please contact [hannahliddell18@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:hannahliddell18@hotmail.co.uk) or see the Little Havens adverts.

### Lost Property

The following pupils have lost various named pieces of property:

- Laura Hedges - named tracksuit top
- Rhiannon Hollis - named school coat
- Bethany Murphy - named black school bag
- Layla Sammour - named tracksuit top

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
Sat 27 Feb	9.15am	U11 Hockey vs St Hughes
Sun 28 Feb	11.00am	Tag Rugby Tournament
Mon 1 March	9.00am	Year 3 Workshop - The Rockman
Mon 1 March	4.30pm	Parents' Evening
Mon 1 March	4.30pm	U9 Hockey vs Bancrofts
Tues 2 March	1.30pm	Author Jack Trelawny coming in
Wed 3 March	1.30pm	6R Class Liturgy
Wed 3 March	2.00pm	1G Class Liturgy
Wed 3 March	4.30pm	Parents' Evening
Wed 3 March	TBC	U11 Netball vs Felsted
Thurs 4 March	All Day	World Book Day
Thurs 4 March	8.50am	2S Class Assembly
Thurs 4 March	TBC	U11 Netball IAPS Tournament
Thurs 4 March	TBC	U9 Hockey vs Felsted
Fri 5 March	11.30am	Year 5 Boys to The Europa Centre
Fri 5 March	1.00pm	Year 5 Netball Feeder Rally
Sat 6 March	2.30pm	U11 Hockey vs Old Buckenham
Mon 8 March	2.00pm	Year 6 singing at Keane Home
Tues 9 March	8.00am	1G Medicals
Tues 9 March	2.00pm	U9/U10/U11 Swimming at Bishops Stortford College
Tues 9 March	3.45pm	Pre-Reception Drop In Session
Wed 10 March	1.30pm	4H Class Liturgy
Wed 10 March	2.00pm	1B Class Liturgy
Thurs 11 March	8.50am	2I Class Assembly
Thurs 11 March	2.15pm	Years 5 & 6 Cross Country
Fri 12 March	8.00am	1G Medicals
Fri 12 March	12.45pm	U10/U11 Netball vs Chigwell School
Fri 12 March	4.00pm	U11 Boys Hockey vs Felsted School



### Prayer Corner

We pray for Isabella Scully's second cousin, Simon Truelove, who is in a coma after a bike accident in Thailand.

We pray for Hannah, Benjamin, Holly and Joshua Notley's Great-Grandmother, Daisy Rolf, who died this week. Grant her light, happiness and peace in the Kingdom of Heaven.

Merciful and loving God,  
you call us to turn away from  
whatever keeps us from loving you  
with our whole heart, and mind, and soul.  
We pray that through our prayer and sacrifice  
we will come closer to you  
during this holy season of Lent.  
We ask this through Christ our Lord.  
Amen



**noye's fludde**  
by Benjamin Britten

4/5/6 March 2010  
Brentwood Cathedral  
7.30pm

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