

# Eaton House Belgravia

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# The Headmistress

Mud seems to have been a recurring theme this week.....I watched the Year Twos at football training on Thursday and they did a great job and just getting on with their drills and games whilst bypassing huge puddles and mud baths. Similar experience was had by the Year Threes at their woodland adventure day. In true Eaton House style, the boys and staff just got on with their business in spite of inclement weather! Photos attached.

Please note that there is a battery recycling box in the no3 entrance hall and also a collection box for Active Kids vouchers which are given out by Sainsburys. We can swap these vouchers for sports equipment.

Congratulations to old boy Eddie Redmayne on his recent Oscar success!

Have a lovely weekend,

#### Miss Lucy, Headmistress

Weekly	Diary.	Week Mond	lay 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> February
Mon	14.10		Yr 2 Football v Garden House, Battersea Park
Tue	13.45		GG Debate
Wed	12.15		Yr 3 Headlines – Mr Hubbard
Thu	11.00		Yr 3 7-aside Football v Colet Court at Colet Court
Fri	Yr 2 (A)	& Yr 3 (A)	6-aside Garden House Football Tournament, Burton Court Parents to collect.

# Year Three Update

Yesterday, we had a fabulous Woodland Adventure Day on Wimbledon Common. Albeit a rather wet and muddy day, we all had an enormous amount of fun and the boys were very adventurous as they practised survival techniques in the woodland.

Today we have had a morning of fabulous storytelling from John Harris. It was great to see so many of the boys buying his books. Many of them have already been spotted avidly reading 'Charlie's Key' this afternoon! We already have him booked for 2015 for next year's Year 3 boys!

Keep learning those spellings for the tests each week! A top tip is to practise putting the words into sentences, which should aid the meaning as well as the spelling of the words. The boys should learn the meaning of the words by putting them correctly into context.

The Year 3 boys are eagerly anticipating Project Week next week. Some fact finding is required for homework this weekend in preparation for the exciting week ahead.

We also have the second Debate of term on Tuesday. Parents of the boys participating in the Debate are of course more than welcome to come and support the boys whenever we have a debate. All details are in Mr Gross' letter that was sent home. On Wednesday, we look forward to a Headline Talk from Mr Hubbard. The Topic is top secret but I am assured it is very exciting!

Please ensure that the Year 3 boys have chosen and learnt their poems by the end of next week. The boys will recite their poems to the class teacher on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March. The finalists will recite their poems to their Head of House on Tuesday 10th March.

We are aware that the boys (and parents!) have a lot on their plate at the moment but bar a few mouth guards and shin pads being in the wrong places on match days, they are all coping admirably! Have a good weekend.

#### Miss Annabel, Y3 Coordinator

# Year Two Update

Year Two have revised all the subjects ready for their exams next week. Please look through their revision packs and go over any corrections that they may have. Please make sure that the boys are well rested as that will benefit their results.

It is Literacy and Numeracy Week starting on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March. If any parents would like to volunteer to come in and read a story, write poems, cook, etc. then please email or talk to your class teacher.

Extras:

The Happy Puzzle Company are coming in to do problem solving puzzles with the boys on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March. There will then be an opportunity to buy their games after school in the library. These games are both fun and challenging and are great for children of all ages. Feel free to look at the website in advance. <a href="https://www.happypuzzle.co.uk">www.happypuzzle.co.uk</a>

It is Red Nose Day on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March. We will be selling Red Noses from Monday 9<sup>th</sup> at the beginning and end of every day. They will be £1 each.

# Miss Henrietta, Y2 Coordinator

# Year One Update

The boys have worked very hard this week revising and consolidating the concepts taught over the term. Please use the weekend to look back over all the boys' spellings taught and it would be helpful to put these words into sentences so the boys can practise their dictation. You should also have revision packs for Maths, English, Science and Reasoning which the boys have been working on with their teachers in class, we suggest you focus on any areas the boys may have found tricky.

Most importantly please make sure the boys get <u>lots of rest</u> and <u>fresh air</u> this weekend as this will make them all the more ready for the week ahead. There will be an <u>informal Parents' Evening</u> for you to meet with your class teacher on <u>11<sup>th</sup> March</u> to go through how the boys have got on. There will be a list outside your son's classroom so you can choose a 10 minute slot.

Please remember there will be a Year 1 Prep School Information Evening on <u>Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March</u>, starting at 18.00 and ending at approximately 20.00 which we strongly encourage both sets of parents to attend. If you wish to be involved in our <u>Literacy and Numeracy week</u> please let your class teacher know.

Have a lovely weekend!

Miss Cat, Y1 Coordinator

### KG Update

This week, we have been learning about the story of The Little Red Hen, doing word searches and revising all mathematical concepts. Our Castles topic has started very nicely and we have been learning about Motte and Bailey castles, which is evident in each classroom but especially in the two photos below!

There will be an <u>informal and optional Parents' Evening</u> for you to meet with your class teacher on <u>11<sup>th</sup> March</u> to go through how the boys have got on. There will be a list outside your son's classroom so you can choose a 10 minute slot.

I hope that boys are in the process of learning their poem or nursery rhyme in readiness for the poetry competition, which starts on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March.



Walter Preston (KG3) and his amazing model of a Motte and Bailey castle!



Gino Coquis Power (KG1) and his Motte and Bailey castle **CAKE**!

Have a super weekend!

Miss Clare, KG Coordinator

#### Games

The boys were assessed in their hockey skills (indian dribbling, push shots and trapping) on Tuesday and I am pleased that some boys have clearly been practising these at home. Hockey Colours have been consequently to Christoph Hueffer, Andreas Tassi, James Samuels, Sebastian Morgan, Oliver Hubbard and Charles Richmond for their achievements in these tests and for their recent performances against the Manor and Newton Prep.

The Yr 3 A & B teams played **Eaton Square** in Battersea Park on Wednesday. The A team played well winning 1-0 against a very strong team but relied on good fortune at times. It was a disappointing and frustrating day out for the B team since despite many chances to score we didn't and against the run of play Eaton Square scored from a penalty winning 1-0.

Yr 2's fixture against the Manor on Thursday was cancelled due to the adverse weather and muddy conditions. They have played Wetherby today and we also look forward to seeing as many of you as possible on Monday against Garden House. All the boys who have been practising at home are tested by me weekly on their football skills to kick a ball on the roll and occasionally on their speed dribbling skills. It is disappointing that not many boys have subsequently received certificates in this respect as these results are slightly down on last term's. Possibly this was also the cause of today's draw against Wetherby after winning last term! Well done though to the B,C and F teams who all won their matches. D and E teams drew but the A team lost. G and H who both lost too are to be congratulated on putting up a good fight considering they were both outnumbered. Special thanks to Mr Acquaviva who stepped in at the eleventh hour as a referee when Wetherby turned up with only 3 refs!

It seems that many boys used the half term break as an opportunity to develop their coordination and balancing skills as there has been happily further progress this week in PE lessons with quite a few boys achieving certificates for skipping and/or stilts in this respect. Yrs 2 & 3 have also started playing short tennis against the wall and performing forward and backward rolls in their PE lessons alongside these other activities.

Christoph Hueffer (Level 4 Stilts); Sebastian Franz and Shaye Bhattesa Sharma (Level 4 Skipping) Christoph Hueffer, Harry Zielinski and John Moulds (Level 2 Backward Rolls); Kuzey Mazi, Matthew Rampin and John Moulds (all Level 3 Skipping); Sebastian Franz and Andrea de Selancy (Level 3 Stilts); John Miles (Level 2 stilts)have all received their certificates in PE.

The House Quiz (see results table below) as usual proved to be as exciting as ever with Freddie Field and Gobind Kohli for Red House and Jasper Booth and William Ruberton for Yellow House both being dominant with their extensive knowledge and running each other very close in the 2s. However Green House (Oliver Hubbard and Andreas Tassi) and Blue House (Harry Zielinski and Yuki Takenoshita) both showed the rest of the field up. Consequently the result was the closest in years with Green House winning overall by 4 points!

#### RESULTS OF THE HOUSE QUIZ 2015

	<b>hettom</b>	GR€€N	BLU€	X€D
KGs / 50	35	34	33	35
1s / 50	24	22	23	26
2s / 100	95	47	37	100
3s /100	45	100	80	25
Totals & Positions	199 2 <sup>nd</sup>	203 1 <sup>st</sup>	173 4 <sup>th</sup>	186 3rd

# Mr Cooke, Head of Games

# Music Department

#### **Music Department**

#### **Junior Choir**

I am currently auditioning to choose the Yr. 2 boys who will continue to be in the Junior Choir, as I need this choir to be more focused and musically accurate. I will inform the boys who have been accepted and move forward on Monday lunchtimes with that group. Any Yr. 2 boy who is not selected for the Junior Choir this term will have the opportunity to be in the Eaton House singers-see below for more details.

### **Eaton House Singers/Music Club**

I will be starting Eaton House Singers/Music Club after Easter on Mondays from 3.45-4.45pm. This will take the form of a choir for part of the time and will be an opportunity to sing for any of the boys in Yr. 2 and 3 who are not able to be in the Junior or Senior choirs, and also for any KG and Yr. 1 pupils who wish to sing in a choir. The rest of the hour will be taken up with different musical activities; listening to different music, percussion playing, making instruments etc. The club will be charged at the usual school rate for clubs. I will issue the final list for Junior Choir next week. If you then wish your son to sing in the Eaton House Singers as part of Music club, please email me and let me know. I will need to have at least 10 boys in the choir/club to make it enjoyable and viable.

# **Music Competition**

This will be held on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March from 11am-12am. This is open to Year 2 or Year 3 boys who play an instrument or sing, from Pre-prep level upwards. If your son has lessons in school, his teacher will enter him for the competition if she thinks he is ready. If your child has instrumental or voice lessons outside school, you may enter them by emailing me. The deadline for competition entries is **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March**.

#### **Instrumental lessons**

If anyone else wishes their son to learn an instrument or have singing lessons in school, this lessons will not now start until after Easter. (This does not apply to anyone who has already emailed me this week). If you wish your son to start lessons after Easter-please email me **before the end of this term**. We can then sort this out during the holidays and all lessons can start at the start of next term for the new pupils. If you have already enquired about lessons for next term, please can you send me a definite request now by email so I can see if we have spaces.

# Miss Katherine, Head of Music

# Other Information

## **Daily Menu**

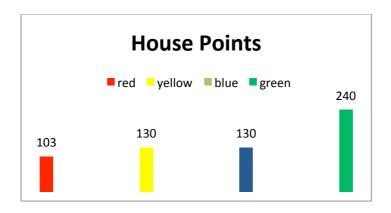
DAY	MAIN COURSE	VEGETARIAN CHOICE	POTATOES & VEG	PUDDINGS
MON	Sausage in Tomato & Herb Sauce	Vegetarian Tomato & Herb Sauce	Enriched Penne Pasta Steamed Broccoli	Choice of Fresh Fruit; Apple, Satsuma, Banana, Pear
TUE	Homemade Beef Casserole	Homemade Vegetable Casserole	New Potatoes Green Beans	Carrot Cake
WED	Homemade Shepherd's Pie	Vegetable & Mash Pie	Mashed Potatoes Garden Peas with Mint	Low Fat Fudge Yoghurt
THU	Mediterranean Chicken Wrap	Vegetable & Pulses Wrap	Mixed Salad (7 veg) Wholemeal Baguette	Mixed Berry Flapjacks
FRI	Salmon & Sweet Potato Fishcake	Vegetable Goujons	Oven Chips (2% fat) Low Salt/Sugar Baked Beans	Wedges of Watermelon

In addition to the MAIN MENU that we serve every day the following items are available on a daily basis: Wholemeal Rolls, Fresh Fruit, Mixed Salad.

Yogurts are also available as an alternative to the choice of pudding on most days.

Special diets for medical or religious reasons are catered for as required and Mr. Clayton can be contacted through the school office to arrange these.

#### **House Points**



Red	Yellow	Blue	Green
670	500	608	880

# Picture Gallery



House Quiz - Green House Winners





Andreas Tassi & Oliver Hubbard







Yr 2 Muddy Football!