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Important Dates

IMPORTANT DATES IN THE CALENDAR

Fri 7	Year 2 Parents Chapel Assembly—11.30am Sports Photographs (Football & Netball) - 1.30pm
Sat 8	EHA Fireworks
Mon 10	Make-a-Difference Week - 'Who do you think you are?' Pre-Prep Individual Photographs
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CHANGES TO DATES IN THE CALENDAR

Sat 15 Nov – Golden Eagle Lecture by John Dunn ‘Journeys on the Wild Side: Exploring Canada’s Devon Island’ –Arts Hall 11.30 – 12.45 Years 5 – 8

Wed 19 Nov - Girls Hockey v. Oratory:

U13A/U12—home

U13B—home

U11A, U11B—away

U10—away

Wed 26 Nov - Colts C IX Rugby will be playing at Eagle House

CONTACTING PARENTS

We would like to remind you to let Lynne or Jo know of any changes you make to email addresses, phone numbers and postal addresses, so that we can keep our contact lists up to date. We use emails extensively to send information out to parents, but more important are your phone numbers, which we may need in the event of any emergency. Many thanks.

THE BODGER GROUP MEETING

The Bodger group are meeting on Saturday at 11:00am in the Old Library. If you are interested in helping maintain the Tudor House and its surrounds please do come and join us for a cup of tea and a chat about future plans for the house. Commitment will only be once or twice a month for an hour or two on a Saturday morning and you may be involved in the maintenance of the house by doing minor repairs, helping with the development of the outside acting area, or tidying up the garden area.

Any enquires do contact Douglas Buchanan (douglas.buchanan@eaglehouseschool.com)

STUDY SKILLS

The following email was sent to parents of pupils in Years 5—8 at the beginning of this week: Most of the pupils in Years 5 to 8 inclusive will have had a session with me talking about the preparation required for the forthcoming assessment week in three weeks time. The forum I am hosting on Tuesday 11 will give parents an insight of what guidance the pupils have been given so all parties are singing from the same hymn sheet. There will be an opportunity for the audience to try out one or two of the activities which the pupils have been encouraged to do. I would be most grateful if you would register through the following link – www.dcbeagle.com/forumreg.htm - so enough material is prepared for the evening. Please could you send in your registration by the end of Sunday. Thank you.

Summary

Location: Arts Hall

Start time: 7:00pm

Finishing time: no later than 8:30pm (not the time published in the calendar)

Miscellaneous: please bring a pen or a pencil so you can make some jottings during the evening

DISPLAY IN THE OLD LIBRARY

Our ‘Who do you think you are?’ project which was done by many children over half term is now on display in the Old Library. It is a fantastic presentation of all the hard work done by parents and children in sourcing information about their families and we would urge you to come and look at all the decorative family trees which have been created. The display will be there until Wednesday 12 November.

Notices



GIRLS AT WELLINGTON COLLEGE

You will have read in the Half Term newsletter that the four Housemistresses at Wellington College will be giving a tour of their houses to Eagle House parents on Monday 8th December at 4.30pm. If you would like to take this great opportunity to visit the three boarding houses and the day house, please contact Lynne Simmons to book your place.

AFTER THE PAUPERS' BALL

I still have a few items to be collected, namely an oblong glass cheese board, a blue plate, a cut glass goblet, a cake ring and a patterned terracotta plate. Please collect these items ASAP from the School Office. Many thanks.

LOOK OUT FOR MEASLES!

The local doctors' surgery has let us know that wild measles has returned to our neck of the woods; they've been informed of about 5 cases appearing in Sandhurst. Confirmed cases. Typically the child will be pretty ill, with a highish fever, and a fairly generalised macular rash – largeish flat red spots. You may be able to see Koplik's spots in the mouth – tiny white specks, like grains of salt, on the inside of the cheeks, adjacent to the molar teeth. They are diagnostic of measles, but are only briefly present.

PARTICULARLY PRE-PREP

Parents' Evenings

If you haven't already done so, please book your appointment for Parents Evening. The lists are on the Late Stay board.

Art Exhibition

Next week on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, the Pre-Prep are having an Art Exhibition in the Arts Hall. Parents are invited to look at the work when attending Parents Evening. Mrs Taylor will be there to show you round. However, if you can't pop in then, please feel free to go along and see the paintings first thing (8.00–8.30am) or between 3.30 & 4.00pm on Tuesday or Wednesday.

FOR SALE

A Yamaha 211 flute. Very good condition. With case and cleaning equipment.
Cost £300 new. Price £150.00 ono.

A 1/4 sized violin by Stentor Music Co. In case with bow. Hardly used. £25.00 ono.
Please contact Ginny Hendry 01344 775297 or Mobile: 07879 886474

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For Sale



Dennis Carey's words ...

Dennis (1939 – 45) has penned his memoirs of life at Eagle House during the Second World War. Here is an introduction:

"On a fine September afternoon in 1939, a week or two after the outbreak of war, I arrived at Eagle House. In the closing weeks of the campaign in Northern Germany, 5 ½ years later, I left to go to Sherborne.

The first few leaves of autumn were floating down on that first arrival day, and cars bustled on the drive in front of the entrance to the court. There was no prohibitive petrol rationing as yet. As canvas trunks and tuck boxes were manipulated all around me, there was a final bewildered 'goodbye' with my mother, and I was left with the other new boys. I remember an instinctive urge to try and make friends among them. I had one advantage: my brother Michael was embarking on his last year and was already a person of importance at the school, with an enviable reputation for excellence at all school academic subjects, particularly Latin. I was paraded for inspection by the Seniors and I was immediately awarded the name 'Little QUI', my brother having already been 'QUI'. This label placed an obligation forever on me, never later regretted, to follow after Michael along the 'Road to Parnassus'. The Seniors seemed to me to be immensely tall like giraffes, lean, awe inspiring and superior. Nevertheless I felt much reassured by having my brother Michael in their camp. I was soon dismissed to find my feet among the eight others with me in Form V.

Along with those other boys who arrived at the same time, I had a unique experience, living out a play in five acts; five years of concentrated study within the confines of Eagle House's 20 acre grounds. Although our school years were shaped most surely by the outside events of war and its hardships, my memories of everything that we did and thought seem concerned with and related to our schoolfellows, our masters, mistresses and other members of the staff.

From each and every first gloomy day of a new term to the last joyful end of term morning, there was a concentration on life at school, which was touched only by newspaper and wireless reports and letters from home. Visits outside the school boundaries were rare, with the exception of supervised walks on the moors and walks to watch rugby matches at Wellington.

At half term one night away from home was permitted in the summer terms for those who could organise it by the curtailed and complex travel arrangements which prevailed. There were occasional sporting fixtures for the seniors, with other Prep schools – Ludgrove, Woodcote House, Bigshotte, St Neots and St Pirans and even an incredible journey to the Dragon School at Oxford. There were also the all too frequent visits to Mr Williams, the dentist in Camberley; these were sessions of pain and endurance, despite his kindly and sympathetic manner, which were fixed several weeks in advance thus causing a period of nagging anticipation. But that was about the extent of our movement into the outside world – until the HOLIDAYS arrived!

I don't wish to imply that we were shut up and miserable as in a house of correction. We certainly were not, but in retrospect it is possible to realise the intensity of experience this created. We did not go home every evening, or every week, or even every month. We did not have phone contact with home. Letters were regular, but not more than once a week at most. During my whole time at Eagle House there were only two day boys – the Ashford brothers who lived locally. So there was no daily stream of parents arriving. Three times a year there was that 'glorious morn' when we departed into another world; where we were with our mothers and sometimes our fathers (although most were at the war) and the family. Bicycles could be ridden, all our own possessions enjoyed; sleep time was not regulated and home cooking was enjoyed.

All this means that for me, as no doubt for others, there is a vividness and a breadth of memory about schooling at Eagle House which was perhaps not experienced by later generations. Who can say? But whatever the experience of others, what follows is my recollection of this outstanding school and the fine people who ran it under conditions of considerable and unusual difficulty."



EAST BERKSHIRE CRICKET COACHING

"The days of our youth are the days of our glory" Lord Byron 1788-1824

CHRISTMAS CRICKET COURSE

Wednesday December 29th & Friday December 31st 2008
1pm to 4.30pm

at

THE WELLINGTON COLLEGE SPORTS CENTRE CROWTHORNE, BERKSHIRE

East Berkshire Cricket Coaching are running their CHRISTMAS CRICKET COURSE for boys and girls aged 7-13. This course is suitable for players who have had experience of playing cricket at school or club for a season, or who are starting, and will be instructed by Senior English Cricket Board coaches (Level 3).

The WELLINGTON COLLEGE Sports Centre is the venue, which allows us the cricket nets, the hall and full changing facilities. The course will be light-hearted and err towards playing, rather than intense coaching, but we shall, of course, try to sort out any cricket problems any individual participants may have. Please bring all your cricket gear and wear predominantly white clothing but track suit bottoms are fine as the hall floor is very unforgiving on cricket trousers, and remember to wear light-soled trainers. Don't worry if you haven't got everything as we shall provide any equipment that you need. Come and celebrate Christmas and the New Year by playing the game!

The cost of the 3 day course will be £75.00 per player but numbers will be strictly limited and allocated on a first come, first served basis. We hope you can come and look forward to seeing you there. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require any additional information, or if I can be of further assistance, on 0118 9732079/07944 604310 or email ebcoaching@hotmail.com. If you would like to enrol your son or daughter please fill out the slip below and send, with your remittance, to :-

Tony Porter, Secretary, EBCC, 42 Mornington Avenue, Finchampstead, Berkshire, RG40 4UE or email the form to ebcoaching@hotmail.com.

Please visit our website at www.ebsports.co.uk

Please enrol my child(ren) in the Christmas Cricket Course at The Wellington College Sports Centre from December 29th to December 31st 2008.

I enclose a cheque (made payable to EB Sports) for £75 per child.

NAME.....TEL NO.....

ADDRESS.....

EMAIL ADDRESS (If checked regularly).....

Date of Birth..... CRICKET CLUB (if any)..

Any medical condition.....

Cricket Coaching



Congratulations to **Max Chawner-Davis** and **Reece Williams**, who both passed their Preliminary Guitar exams, on electric guitar. Max was awarded Distinction and Reece was awarded Merit. Well done to you both and Rock On!

Academic **STARS** for the second assessment

Harriers: Toby Barnard, Marta Bernardo, Ashleigh Bishop, Rohaan Haikerwal, Luke Orechoff, Alvaro Rivas de Anta, Thor Winkler

Kites: Romy Attias, Ketak Chaudhari, Adam Dewes, Eleanor Sherlock, Alys Whitehead

Merlins: Blanca Barreiros, Heidi Barrow, Dominic Hill, Oliver Trapnell

Ospreys: Kimberley Brant, Stephanie Morgan (best in school 28 stars), Lucinda Brooker, James Fowlie, Charlotte Jobson, Jemima Walker, Holly Wright

Conduct **STARS** for the first assessment

Harriers: Daniel Rayner, Mathew Hodge, Hugo Rivas de Anta

Kites: Adam Dewes, Miriam Dewes, Tharoonan Moodley, Eleanor Sherlock, Christopher Vonchek

Merlins: Clare Chummun, Harry Howard

Ospreys: Patrick Dow, William Kirk, Eoin O’Kane, Thomas Surrall, Michael Wright

Achievements!



Section Competition

Half term has been and gone and so has the second effort assessment. Academic stars were much more spread throughout the year groups with an average of 11.07 achieved by each child. The children must remember that stars are not just given for good work, although that does help, but mainly for a piece of written or oral work that reflects good effort and comparative achievement for that child.

We talked at the end of last effort assessment about effort grades and what was required to change a three into a two. Work must be handed in on time and it must reflect care over content and especially presentation when committing work to paper. Most importantly, a positive and active interest in preparation for and follow up to lessons and in the lessons themselves will be appreciated and rewarded.

In the conduct competition, many stars were awarded for improvement in the personal times in the swimming pool and on the cross country course, but there were also many awarded for music practising and for seeing and doing a task or job around the school. Several stars were also awarded for good manners, something that we always expect and we always encourage at Eagle House.

In the competition, Ospreys worked hard, literally, to win both the effort and academic stars competition, but let themselves down a great deal by also gaining the most conduct stripes. Harriers moved into second place with good work across the board. Kites seemed to let themselves and each other down somewhat in the class room, yet comfortably won the conduct competition. Merlins continue to improve upon last year's efforts and should be commended.

<u>Effort</u>	<u>Academic Stars</u>	<u>Conduct Stars</u>
1. Ospreys	1. Ospreys	1. Kites
2. Harriers	2. Merlins	2. Ospreys
3. Merlins	3. Harriers	3. Harriers
4. Kites	4. Kites	4. Merlins

Running total

1 Ospreys	54
2 Harriers	37
3 Kites	33
4 Merlins	31

Achievements!



PRE-PREP BADGE WINNERS

Friday 10 Oct	Worker	Helper
Nursery	Alana Reed	Oliver Fripp
R1	Chloe Grey	Alexander Lemonofides
R2	Charlotte Borthwick	Renee Orleans-Lindsay
1R	Mia Pridmore	Matthew Valetsky
1W	Harry Jones	Hannah McClelland
2B	James Clarke	Christian Gale
2T	Max Nicholas/ Jack Borthwick	

Playground Award	
Golden Table	Jonny Heywood, Alexander Lemonofides, Mark Dickin, Ana Cauchi, Amy Stewart, Aman Ashfaque, Mimi Carling, Kathryn Thomas
Kingfishers	52
Robins	57
Jays	72

Friday 17 Oct	Worker	Helper
Nursery	Scott Collins	Oliver Whitehead
R1	Dominic Sherlock	George Milner
R2	Paige Stubbs	Charlie Crosby
1R	Devashri Moodley	Jasper Kelly
1W	Max Moore	Harry Hodge
2B	Emma Jennings	Ella Tyrrell-Smith
2T	Kitty Cauchi	Christopher Meyers

Playground Award	
Golden Table	Daniel Head, Jacob Shortland, Hamish Rimmer, Joseph Fogarty, Alexander Emery, Luke Sampson, Tiwatope Adebo, Mani Kher
Kingfishers	44
Robins	41
Jays	57

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Monday

Oven Baked Fish Cake, Lattice Fries, Peas/Carrots

Baked Vegetable Pattie

Fruit Lolly

Tuesday

Roast Beef & Yorkshire Pudding, or Roast Chicken, Roasted Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables

Yorkshire filled with Vegetables & Cheese

Rice Pudding & Jam Sauce

Wednesday

Cumberland Sausages, New Potatoes, Broccoli

Vegetable Sausages

Fruit Whip

Thursday

Chicken & Mushroom Stroganoff, Braised Rice, Baton Carrots

Vegetable Stroganoff

Apple Crumble & Custard

Friday

Pizza Bar, Garlic Bread, Sweetcorn

Fruit Jelly

Next Week's Menu

Remember! There is always a salad bar if you don't fancy the hot meal. Also, baked potatoes are always on offer and there is always fresh fruit if you don't fancy a pudding.



Fireworks Night – Saturday November 8th 2008

Hoping for good weather Saturday night!! If you haven't yet bought your tickets you can still buy them from Sharon in the School Office on Saturday morning (8 – 9am) or on the door on the night. Children's Bazaar will start at 5.15pm with the firework display at 6.30pm. Ticket prices are £7 per adult and £4 per child, a wide variety of food and drink is available to buy. In conjunction with Fireworks the Pumpkin Carving competition is taking place again this year and pumpkins will be on display.

Christmas Fayre – Saturday November 29th 2008 10.00am – 3.00pm

Christmas Fayre - Saturday November 29th 2008 - 10:00am - 3:00pm Over 45 stalls selling everything you need for Christmas including turkeys, trees, Christmas cakes, hampers and gifts for the whole family - and you can even have your purchases gift wrapped while you shop. Entertainment for the children includes ceramic painting (great for gifts for Christmas), face painting and cookie decorating. Food and drinks available throughout the day. Ticket prices will be £3.50 at the door and £2.50 in advance and one lucky ticket will win a night at Pennyhill Park for two people including dinner and breakfast. So bring along family and friends and get Christmas organised early!

Nearly New Sale

Start sorting out children's clothing (0-14 years)! We will be asking for tip-top condition clothing, washed and ironed, to sell in the Old Library on the 23rd. All good condition clothing will be welcomed, including ski gear and other specialist sports clothing which families may find useful. 50% of the sale price to you, 50% towards the swimming pool appeal. We will be providing forms for you to complete nearer the time, to accompany the clothing you wish to sell.

Easy Fundraiser

This is a great way for you to help raise funds for the Association from your desktop through your online shopping. More than 600 online stores take part including favourites such as Marks and Spencer, John Lewis, Argos, Amazon, B+Q and hundreds more. It really is effortless – go to <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/> and on your first visit register your details and select Eagle House Association as the charity you wish to support. Having registered you simply click on the links on the left hand side of the page to visit your chosen stores and after you have paid and checked out for your goods the store makes a % donation to us. Your spend and donations are summarised to you and the Association receives a cheque each month for all its accumulated donations from all stores and people taking part in the scheme. No need to re-register each time you shop, but ensure you do your shopping via the links on the Easy Fundraiser website – perfect for all your online Christmas shopping or indeed shopping throughout the year. Please register as soon as possible!!!

Additional Dates for forthcoming events –

Beetle Drive – Friday 16th January 2009

Quiz Night Friday 6th February 09 - Childrens Disco Friday 13th March 09

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FOR ALL MATCH REPORTS AND TEAM BLOGS, FOLLOW THIS LINK AND CLICK ON THE TEAM YOU WANT:

<http://www.eaglehouseschool.com/fixtures.htm>

**FOOTBALL – Wed 05 Nov
Tournament at Daneshill
U8VI**

Eagle House drew their matches in all the group stages, then won against Danes Hill, but lost against St Neots in the final, coming second overall. Well done to our youngsters!

**NETBALL – Wed 05 Nov
v. Pangbourne College**

U13A - won 23-6

U13B - won 20-0

U12 - won 14-7

v. White House

U11A - won 11-4

U11B - won 8-4

U10 - drew 6-6

SWIMMING – Thu 06 Nov

v. Holme Grange, Yateley Manor & Daneshill

Eagle House came second overall, with our U11 Freestyle relay team (Noah Walton, Ashley Inglis, Lily Rowlands and Sophia Wallis) winning first place.

Individual second places for:

Sophia Wallis, Lily Rowlands, Ashley Inglis, Chloe James, Saxon Coop and the U13 relay team, made up of Chloe James, Tom Surrall, Saxon Coop and Josh Blossie.

Overall scores were:

Yateley Manor 33, Eagle House 27, Daneshill 26, Holme Grange 13

CHESS - Borders League - Thursday 6 November

Eagle House U13 v Aldro U13 B Won 3 – 1 (Wins for Felix, Robert Hwang Luke Orechoff)

Eagle House U11 V Aldro U11 B Draw 2 – 2 (Wins for Max Hammond, Lucas Bamber)

Match Results



SUPPERS NEXT WEEK

- Mon:** Minced Beef & Onion Pie, Savoury Potatoes, Cauli/Broccoli
Toffee Cake
- Tue:** Chunky Chicken & Vegetable Soup, Bread & Cheese
Barnaby Special
- Wed:** Spicy Lamb Curry, Stir Fried Noodles & Vegetables
Fresh Melon Wedges
- Thu:** Homemade Meat Loaf, Mashed Potatoes, Grilled Tomato
Trifle
- Fri:** Grilled Bacon Chop, Lyonnaise Potatoes, Green Beans
Shortbread

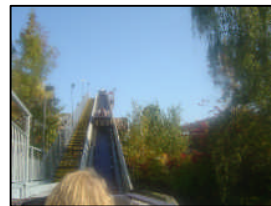
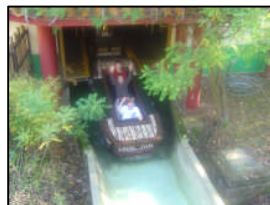
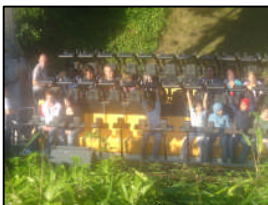


Mamma Mia & Chessington World of Adventures!

The weekend started with a treat from Kirsty as she prepared pizzas and garlic bread based on orders placed last week...how many boarding houses let you build your own pizza with a starter and doughnuts to follow! Then we had a blind vote for the cinema between Mamma Mia and City of Ember. Mamma Mia took it hands down and even Mr Brice came back humming tunes!

Rumours were flying and excitement growing, it was said that Mr Orechhoff's Mystery tour would require passports and life insurance! Mr

Orechhoff arrived and announced that today we'd be off to Chessington World of Adventures with rides such as Ramesis Revenge, Tomb Blaster and Dragon's Fury...travel sickness medication was optional! We had a fantastic day and this was certainly a great weekend to be in school! Next weekend we'll be at home with family but this was a great end to the first half of term in terms of top weekend entertainment!!! A big thank you to all staff involved.



The boarders have had an exceptionally busy first half of term. I would like to congratulate all those who are new to boarding and that's a lot of you, for achieving everything that you have in the challenges that have come your way. I hope that you and your parents enjoy a richly deserved break over half term and return with more energy for an even better set of challenges to come!!! I would also like to thank my incredible 'dream team' of boarding staff for giving so much time to the house...you are the reason why we have happy boarders!

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The termly calendar shows all events, so it is advisable to go through it and mark dates in your diaries that may be appropriate for you. Here is the list of what's happening next week, which can sometimes show more detail than the white book.

Entries in bold and italics are events to which some or all parents are invited. Although sports matches are listed separately in the calendar (page 12 onwards), you can also see details of these on the school website, including directions to schools where matches are held.

Children who play matches on a Saturday afternoon are automatically included for lunch and remain in the care of their team coach until the end of match tea. If you travel to support your child(ren) at away matches and wish to take them home yourself, please be sure to tell the team coach!

November

Week 11

Day	Time	Activity	End
Sat 8	10.30	<i>Football Tournament at Lambrook Haileybury</i>	
	11.00	<i>Rugby v. Reading Grammar</i>	
Sun 9			
Mon 10		Make-a-Difference Week Pre-Prep Individual Photographs	
Tue 11	10.50	Remembrance Ceremony, Malan Square	
	16.00	<i>Pre-Prep Parents Evening—Nursery—Year 2</i>	18.00
	17.25	<i>Years 7 & 8 Remembrance Day Evensong</i>	18.00
	19.00	<i>Parents Forum—Years 5-8—Study Skills, Arts Hall</i>	20.30.
Wed 12	14.30	<i>Rugby matches v. Hall Grove</i>	
	14.30	<i>Hockey & Netball matches v. Marlston House</i>	
Thu 13		<i>Swimming Match v. Hawley Place (tbc)</i>	
	18.30	OEHS London Pub Evening	
Fri 14	11.30	<i>Year 1 Parents Chapel Assembly, Chapel</i>	
Sat 15	11.30	Years 5—8 Lecture by John Dunn	12.45
	14.30	<i>Rugby Matches v. Oratory Prep</i>	
	14.00	<i>Middle Section Netball</i>	
	19.30	<i>Social for Years 7 & 8 at Luckley Oakfield School</i>	22.00

Next Week's Calendar