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Important Dates

IMPORTANT DATES IN THE CALENDAR

January

Fri 30 EHA Nearly New Sale

February

Tue 3 Year 6 Parents Evening, 6-8pm

Fri 6 EHA Quiz Evening, Arts Hall, 7.30pm

Mon 9 Make a Difference Week 'How do we treat others?'

Year 4 Parents Evening, 6-8pm

Tue 10 Lunchtime Concert, Arts Hall, 1.30pm

Thu 12 Year 7 Parents Evening, 6-8pm

Fri 13 Charity non-uniform day

Half Term begins at 5.10pm for Years 5-8. No suppers or boarding.

Half term until Sunday 22 Feb when there is a Seussical rehearsal (2.30pm—5pm) and boarders return (7.00—8.00pm). Day children return to school on Monday 23, when CE trials commence for children in Year 8.



CHANGES TO DATES IN THE CALENDAR

Wednesday 4th March - 1st VII and 2nd VII - Windlesham rugby 7's tournament cancelled

Friday 6th Feb - X-Country Meeting at Highfield postponed

Thursday 5th March - Borders League U11 Chess v Connaught Junior School (Home) 3.45pm – 4.45pm

MIDDLE & SENIOR GIRLS SECTION HOCKEY TOMORROW, SATURDAY will start at 1.30pm. All these girls will be ready for collection at 3.00pm

LOST

Amy Stewart's new school coat has gone missing. Please check coats for the name tape, which is sewn onto the washing instructions at the pocket. Amy is in R2 and would appreciate the return of her coat if anyone has found it. Many thanks.

NEXT WEEK IN THE PRE-PREP

Jane Willis is out on an inspection Monday to Thursday next week. If parents need to contact staff, please leave a message with the office or contact the member of staff directly via email. Please leave any messages about Late Stay or children's absence with the school office. In my absence, Miss Terry (Year 2) is in charge of the Pre-Prep so please contact her if you have any queries or problems.

THE GREENISH COMPETITION

As you all know, the Greenish Competition is our major music competition of the year. This year, 15 children are competing – the audition rounds are being held before half term and the standard and range of instruments is very promising. The finals are on Friday, 27th February at 7:30pm in the Arts Hall and our adjudicator this year will be Philip Dukes, Director of Music at Marlborough College. Everyone, parents and children, is welcome to come and witness this exciting musical event and some of the talented children at Eagle House.

OUR BEST WISHES

go to

Helen Brice and Nicola Gallop

on this their last day at school before taking maternity leave.

We look forward to meeting the new arrivals!

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BOARDING

Some of you have already let us know that you wish to weekly board from September 2009. If anyone else is interested, please let Lynne S. know ASAP. The boarding house is filling quickly, which may mean that regular/occasional boarding may be at a minimum.

FUTURE TERM DATES

Summer and Michaelmas Term 2009 dates appear in the back of the School Calendar. Looking further ahead, **Lent Term 2010** is as follows:

Sunday 10th Jan - Boarders return
Monday 11th Jan - Day children start
Saturday 30th & Sunday 31st Jan - Exeat
Saturday 13th—Sunday 21st Feb - Half Term
Saturday 13th & Sunday 14th Mar - Exeat
Friday 26th Mar - Term Ends

OPEN MORNING

this term is being held on

Saturday, 28th February,

10.00am until 12.30pm

**Please feel welcome to come and see the goings-on in your school
and extend an invitation to your friends and family
so that they too can experience the warm
atmosphere at Eagle House and see the opportunities
that your children enjoy.**

Notices



ASTRONOMY ROADSHOW

Last week the School was treated to a visit by Peter Bassett and his mobile inflatable planetarium. Peter, a member of the Royal Institute of Astronomy, has visited over 1000 schools and appeared on television as well as lecturing in the U.S.A.

Each Year group was presented with a tour of the Solar System and a close-up view



of the night sky with exciting DVD footage and computer generated graphics to answer even the most difficult of questions. It was a fun and exciting experience, enjoyed by all. If you want to find out more why not go to his website, astronomyroadshow.com

Report by Eoin O’Kane

The Astronomy Roadshow was fantastic. I really liked the cans that simulated the gravity of other planets. We all tried and failed to lift the sun’s can! The planetarium was amazing because you could see the Plough (also known as Ursa Major, the Bear, the Ox), Orions Belt and the north star, all around the Planetarium.

He also told us about how the milky way will crash into the Andromeda Galaxy and merge, which was interesting if a bit depressing. It was then relieving to hear that it would happen in about 10 billion years.

He told us about Galileo and his ideas on our solar system. It was really inspiring that he stood firm with his ideas even though he was beaten, thrown in jail and then told he should change his ideas by the church. Tonight I’ll be watching the sky and I’ll see if I can spot some stars.

Report by Robin Vonchek

On the 19th January, an astronomer gave us an incredible lecture. Peter Bassett also gives lectures to NASA. He showed us how much a can of baked beans would weigh on each planet. On Mercury, it weighed about the same as a piece of paper, Venus and Earth, average weight, on Mars a tissue box, Jupiter, you couldn’t lift, Saturn a brick, Uranus a book, Neptune a shoe and Pluto a feather.

Later he took us inside a tent with projections of constellations, planets, galaxies, black holes and the birth of stars. Three of the major constellations he showed us were Orion the hunter, Pegasus and the Big Dipper. Mr Bassett also showed us at least one unique habit of each planet. He showed how to find the galaxies and stars in the night sky and how stars are born and die. Finally, he showed us that there is a giant black hole in the middle of the universe, every two weeks sucking in another star.

Overall it was a very informative and enjoyable talk by Peter Bassett.

Astronomy Roadshow



Last week the students in **Year 6 visited the National Gallery** and had the opportunity to view the collection with their teachers in the morning, before taking lunch in the Education Room and then studying three or four selected works, guided by their specialist tutors on the Reading a Painting programme. The boys and girls were ushered in their groups through the grand halls of the gallery then settled down before one of the magnificent works of art. The tutor then asked the children probing questions to extract from them what they can understand from looking at the painting. It is quite amazing how much they are able to find out on so many levels.

For their evening prep the children wrote beautiful, detailed accounts of the paintings they had enjoyed the most. Aanya, Catherine and Robin won the prizes for the most thorough and accurate work.

Paintings studied included:

- ‘The Virgin and Child’ (1426) Massacio
- ‘Saint Michael Triumphs over the Devil’ (1468) by Bartolomé Bermejo
- ‘The Martyrdom of Saint Sebastian’ (1475) by Antonio and Piero del Pollaiuolo
- ‘Bacchus and Ariadne’ (1523) by Titian
- ‘Perseus turning Phineus and his Followers into Stone’ (1680) Luca Giordano
- ‘Venice’ (1738) Canaletto
- ‘Whistlejacket’ (1762) by George Stubbs
- ‘The Fighting Temeraire’ (1839) by Joseph Mallord William Turner
- ‘Sunflowers’ (1888) by Vincent van Gogh
- ‘Van Gogh’s Chair’ (1888) by Vincent van Gogh

The children’s comments included:

- ‘The National Gallery Trip was one of the best trips I have ever had.’ (Saran)
- ‘Whistlejacket is brilliant because horses are so hard to draw. Even Mr Gillam finds them hard and he can draw like anything.’ (Adam R.)
- ‘We have a print of “The Fighting Temeraire” on our wall so it was good to see the real thing.’ (Charlie S.)
- ‘Ariadne had been dumped by Theseus. . . .’ (Rudy)
- ‘The sunflowers are beautiful but very sad. The whole canvas is yellow. We learned that Vincent had painted the picture to brighten up a room for his friend, Paul.’ (Sophia)

Friday 23 Jan	Worker	Helper
Nursery	Fleuve Williams	Kian Moodley
R1	Alexander Lemonofides	Chloe Parry
R2	Alexander Emery	Katy Head
1R	Bradley Joyce	Aman Ashfaque
1W	Claudia Robinson	Oliver Vine
2B	Emma Jennings	Tabitha Elmhirst
2T	Sadie Parry/Kitty Cauchi	

Playground Award	
Golden Table	Ella Tyrrell-Smith, Tara Vaikunthanathan, Tabitha Elmhirst, Leah Jennings, Charlie Wilkins, William Brown, Amren Singh, Oliver Frupp
Kingfishers	30
Robins	56
Jays	40

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Week 5

February

	Start		Finish
Mon 2	5.00pm	U13 & U11 Boarders Chess v Aldro	6.00pm
Tue 3	1.30pm	Wellington Languages Experience	3.30pm
	6.00pm	Year 6 Parents Evening, Arts Hall	8.00pm
	6.15pm	Seussical Rehearsal	8.00pm
Wed 4	<i>(see Calendar)</i>	Boys Hockey Matches v. Hoe Bridge Girls Hockey Matches v St Piran's Netball Matches v. Yateley Manor Seussical Rehearsal	7.00pm
Thu 5	<i>(see Calendar)</i>	Eagle House Inter-school Cross Country Netball Matches v. St Piran's	
Fri 6	7.30pm	<i>Highfield Cross-Country Meeting – cancelled</i> EHA Quiz Evening, Arts Hall	
Sat 7		Colts 7s Rugby Tournament at The Oratory <i>(see Calendar)</i> Boys Hockey Matches v. Cranleigh OEHS 1970s Reunion Lunch	
Sun 8			
Mon 9	6.00pm	Year 4 Parents Evening, Arts Hall TODAY SEES THE START OF MAKE-A -DIFFERENCE WEEK "HOW DO WE TREAT OTHERS?"	8.00pm

Next week's Calendar

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Monday

Oven Baked Fish Cake, Lattice Fries, Peas/Carrots

Baked Vegetable Pattie

Fruit Lolly

Tuesday

Roast Beef 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! Kirsty's soups are delicious and warming. Baked potatoes and fillings are always on offer and there is always fresh fruit if you don't fancy a pudding.



EAGLE HOUSE ASSOCIATION NEWS

Quiz Night

JUST A FEW TABLES REMAINING – GET YOUR BOOKING FORMS IN WITHOUT DELAY!

Takes place on Friday Feb 6th in the Arts Hall at 7.30pm. £10 per table or £2 per person, we will give priority to full table bookings but will endeavour to join up part bookings. We encourage you to bring your own picnic however please **do not bring your own drink** – we will be selling wine, beer and soft drinks to raise money towards the Swimming Pool Fund.

Easy Fundraiser

Thank you if you have already registered and spent on www.easyfundraising.org.uk – remember it's not limited to the Christmas period – we can raise extra money by internet shopping through their portal all year, simply set their homepage as yours and shop through it with suppliers such as Argos, John Lewis, Amazon, British Airways – the list is endless. For every penny you spend through the portal the suppliers make a donation to our Association.

Wentworth Ball

We have now had a large number of bookings for this event and would encourage anyone planning to attend to start organising tables etc. Remember that you can bring friends and family from outside school as we can accommodate various party sizes and increased numbers at Wentworth's stunning Ballroom venue. Booking forms are available from the school office.

EHHA



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

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

**HOCKEY – Wed 28 Jan
v. Parkside**

1st XI - lost 1-3
2nd XI - lost 0-7
3rd VI - lost 1-4
4th VI - won 5-4
Colts A - won 1-0
Colts B - lost 0-1
Colts C - lost 0-2

NETBALL – None played

**HOCKEY – Wed 28 Jan
v. Daneshill**

U11 - won 8-3
U10A - lost 0-5
U10B - lost 0-5
U9 - lost 3-5

Match Results



MATHS GALORE!

During the last week there has been a focus on mathematics starting with the annual mathematics conference on Tuesday for visiting teachers. Fifty-six delegates attended and the speaker was Bubblz the Maths Clown. Her aim is to enrich mathematics teaching through unique ideas and this was demonstrated using soapy bubbles and balloons. Using different three dimensional shapes or pieces of string new



shapes can be created with the soapy water and the concepts of volume, surface area and Euler's theorem are more interesting. Balloons we used as measuring devices.

Thursday saw the arrival of forty schools at Eagle House to participate the Year 6 mathematics challenge created and organised by Douglas Buchanan. The afternoon consists of a mental test, an exercise of Countdown number problems and a set of lateral thinking questions. To add another dimension to the event the competitors have to run to markers to get their approval after each question (with the exception of the mental). Lucinda Brooker and Maggie Knox came thirteenth in their section and Adam Bailey and Mohammed Rubbani finished eighteenth. There were forty schools in each section.

OLD EAGLE HOUSE SOCIETY PRESENTATION

Ewan Cameron (1979 – 84) who is in the Royal Medical Corps spoke about the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) which have been set up to halt extreme poverty, child mortality and fight diseases. He gave the pupils an insight of the work done by the armed forces to make the MDGs more effective. Some of the video footage illustrated the uncomfortable conditions army personnel have to work in to achieve effective medical care. From the reactions of the pupils during the presentation and the wide range of interesting questions at the end



they were good indicators that Ewan's talk was informative and gave the children a better understanding of poverty and illness in the Third World.

Douglas Buchanan
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