

# BROOMWOOD HALL NEWSLETTER

WEEK 5 • Friday 9th May 2008

## WHAT A FAB PARTY . . .



All those who boogied the night away aboard the "Silver Sturgeon" last Thursday certainly did so in great style. The champagne, cocktails, beer and wine flowed, the dinner catered by Rhubarb was absolutely DELICIOUS, the band encouraged a packed dance floor and everyone had a fabulous time and a night to remember. Thanks to everyone who worked so hard to organize such a wonderful way to 'Cruise into Summer'!

We now have a shortlist of charities to put to the school vote for our support for the next academic year. These will be able to be viewed on the school's website, [www.broomwood.co.uk](http://www.broomwood.co.uk) from Wednesday 14 May. Please email either of us [louisabarham@btopenworld.com](mailto:louisabarham@btopenworld.com) or [marianna@dwla.com.uk](mailto:marianna@dwla.com.uk) with your choice by Thursday 22 May. The two charities with the most votes will be put to the reps at the PA meeting after half-term to decide our school charity for September 2008.

*Mrs Louisa Barham and Mrs Lil Wiener –  
Joint Chairmen, Parents Association*

## CLASS 4 EXCURSION

Class 4's history excursion to Mountfitchet Castle is on Tuesday 13 May. Mountfitchet is an example of a Motte & Bailey castle; I hope it will enable the girls to travel in their imaginations back to Norman England as it was in 1066. Please see the website for further details.

*Susan Brooks – Head of History, Upper School*

## CLASS 5 – SLAPTON LEY

Class 5, together with Mrs Houston, Mr Gibb and me, leave on Monday 12 May to go Slapton Ley Field Centre for an exciting few days of pond dipping, rock pooling and river investigation.

We will spend most of our time in the outdoor classroom, working on a new theme each day using facilities not available in London. We hope to find the largest limpets on Gorah Rocks, catch carnivorous mayfly nymphs in Slapton Ley and maybe even come face to face with a badger.

Time away such as this is also excellent preparation for boarding school and independent living. Most of all though, it is great fun! Please make sure girls come to school on Monday at the normal time in their home clothes with a packed lunch in their school backpack and their suitcase! If your child is travel sick please make sure you send them to school with their travel sickness pills and ensure they have enough for 5 days.

*Ginny Fowler – Class 6S*

## UNIFORM

Now that the children are all wearing their summer uniform please make sure that all Lower School children have **white ankle socks** for sport; they must also have a **Broomwood Hall white sunhat**. It is very useful to put an elastic on the hats for the prep and Class 1 children so that they do not blow off. Please also ensure that all girls wear **navy blue school knickers**. Thank you!

*Alison Melrose – Head of Lower School, Garrads Road.*

HELP! As our kitchen assistant Nell works only 4 days a week, we at Garrad's Road are looking for someone to help Ann for a few hours on Fridays. Anyone out there know of anyone (perhaps retired?) who might like to help out?

FULLER DETAILS OF ANY ITEM **IN RED** CAN BE SEEN ON OUR WEBSITE [www.broomwood.co.uk](http://www.broomwood.co.uk)



Isabel Forster and Carolina Baigrie held a tea party during the Easter holidays for friends and neighbours in aid of Grandmas. They baked for a whole day each and the menu was: cucumber and cream cheese sandwiches, jam tarts, meringues, scones with cream and jam, chocolate cakes with strawberries on the top and chocolate crispies. They were worried they might have cooked too much but the neighbours kept flooding in and a grand total of £53.00 was raised for Grandma's!

## BIKE IT TROPHY

Congratulations to Miss Vote and 4E for making the most cycle journeys to school during the first week of the Tour d'Afrique Challenge. They have won the 'Bike It' Leading Class Trophy for their example of 58 journeys to school between them. Well done girls, a fantastic effort.  
Yvonne Bentley – Matron, Upper School

## BROOMWOOD TRAIL

Let's hope the weather holds out for this Sunday's Broomwood Trail from 3.00 to 5.00. All participants should have received a blue sash in their backpacks today; if not please contact **Clare MacWatt** (07713 629294) as soon as possible. We look forward to seeing everyone back at The Vicarage for tea. Our thanks to Douglas and Gordon on Northcote Road for their sponsorship which enables all money raised to go directly to Grandma's.

Mrs Louisa Barham – Joint chairman, Parent's Association

## CLASS 2 (50NL) PLAY

Please join us for Class 2's (50NL) play next week. Check the diary opposite for details and timings. 'The Adventures of Arion and Noira', has been written and directed by our very talented Class 2 Assistant Ned Bennett. The story of the Ancient Greek Prince Arion and Sicilian Princess Noira's trip to an Annual Music Festival in Sicily makes for an adventure packed show with pirates, sharks, dolphins, a music competition and ninja guards! The children have been very busy rehearsing on our new Lower School stage at No. 50 and cannot wait to show off their musical and acting talents to you.  
Melissa Harding - Class 2(50NL)

## CL 1S (GR) CHURCH PLAY

Class 1S look forward to welcoming you to their performance of 'The Ascension' at St Leonard's Church on Wednesday 14 May, telling the story of Jesus's ascension to heaven. The children would love as many of their parents as possible to come along and support them. Coffee is available at the church for parents from 8.45 with the church service starting at 9.00.

Julia Ware - Cl1S, 3GR

## MATCH REPORTS

Full match results for Week 5 can be found on the website under Current Parents, Now @ Lower School or Now @ Upper School.

## PARKING

Please, please park with consideration outside the schools. We have had yet another complaint about thoughtless parking from a resident in Sudbrooke Road. Please think before you park. Thank you.

### Monday 12 May

- 9.00 \*Cl5 depart from 74NL for Slapton Ley
- 10.00 \*Dress Rehearsal: "Arion and Noira" Cl2S(50NL) – Library 50NL
- 1.45 \*Rounders: Class 6A, B & C v Thomas's Clapham (T.Fields)

### Tuesday 13 May

- Class 4 Outing - Mountfitchet Castle
- 9.15-11.15 \*PA First Aid Course - Dining Room 74NL
- 9.30-2.00 \*Cookery School Course: Summer Entertaining-70NL
- 10.00 \*Dress Rehearsal: "Arion and Noira" Cl2E(50NL) – Library 50NL
- 2.30 \*Cl2S(50NL) "Arion and Noira" play for parents & tea – Library 50NL

### Wednesday 14 May

- 9.00 \*Church service: St Leonard's Church – Class 1S
- 10.00 \*Dress Rehearsal: "Arion and Noira" Cl2N (50NL) – Library 50NL
- 1.45 \*Rounders: Class 7 & 8 v Thomas's Battersea (Battersea Park)
- 2.30 \*Class 2E (50NL) "Arion and Noira" play for parents & tea – Library 50NL
- 7.00-10.00 \*Cookery School Course: Fish Night-70NL

### Thursday 15 May

- Mrs Jenkinson to visit Heathfield St Mary's
- 8.45 \*Church service: St Luke's Church
- 1.30 Class 3 (GR) Indian Afternoon
- 2.30 \*Class 2N (50NL) "Arion and Noira" play for parents & tea – Library 50NL
- 3.00 \*Rounders: Class 6 A, B & C v Newton Prep (T.Fields)

### Friday 16 May

- 10.00 Swimming: Prep S(GR) – Tooting L Centre
- 11.30 Swimming: PrepN(GR) – Tooting L Centre
- 12.30 \*Broomwood Hall PA Lunch - 3GR
- 1.45 \*Cricket: Class 3(50NL&GR) A&B v Thomas's (T.Fields)
- 3.20 \*Cl5 return to 74NL for collection

### Saturday 17 May

- 8.30-3.00 \*Karate grade prep lessons for yellow belts - 8.30-10.00: blue belts - 10.00-11.30: green belts - 11.30-1.30: 3rd & 2nd kyu. brown belts - 1.30-3.00 (Northcote Lodge)
- 10.00-12.00 Northcote Lodge Open Day