

FROM THE STUDY

FRIDAY 14TH MAY 2010

INSPECTION UPDATE

As you know the school was visited by a team of Inspectors from the Independent Schools Inspectorate. They have concluded the first part of the Standard Inspection and will return for 3 days on the 14th June.

I am unable to report their findings to you at this stage as the process isn't yet finished. However, I can tell you that they thoroughly enjoyed their time at Widford Lodge seeing the children, teachers and the school at work and play.

HEADMASTER'S AWARD

Congratulations to the following children. Freddie Williams (KGM) for English, Matthew Podd & Olly Webb (4G) for RE, Piers Brown (4G) for English, Sophie Gardner, Teddy Mortlock & Charlotte Brown (4P) for Science, and finally Poppy Allen, Emma Baker & Sophia Houston (5H) for English. Well done to you all.

POLITENESS & COURTESY CUP

The winner of this week's Politeness & Courtesy Cup is Hugo Whitten (1E). Congratulations Hugo.

SPORTS NEWS.

Year 6 Rounders v New Hall

On Friday 7th May the year 6 rounders team went down to the school field to play a home match against New Hall School. I went to toss with New Hall's captain, we won the toss and chose to field first. New Hall had some good batters on their team with our deep fielders running up and down trying to return the balls as quickly as possible. Despite our best efforts New Hall managed to score 4 ½ rounders, however we did managed to get out 4 of their players with great fielding from everyone. It was now our turn to bat. Following some great batting we managed to get 5 rounders leaving the score after the first innings Widford 5 New Hall 4 ½. After a good team talk we were ready to carry on and play the second half of the game. New Hall continued to bat well until Emily and Alice A took a catch each! We also managed to get the rest of the team out before they had their full 30 balls! New Hall only managed to get 2 ½ rounders in that innings giving them a total of

7. It was now our turn to bat again, Georgie batted fantastically scoring 5 of our 9 rounders making the final score Widford 14 New Hall 7. Well done girls you all played brilliantly!

Rounders: Katie 1 ½, Georgie 7, Emily 1, Alice A 1, Alice C 1, Ellen ½.

By Hollie Edmeades

Un 9's Rounders v New Hall

Yesterday the year 4 girls travelled to New Hall for a rounders match. There were some brilliant rounders scored by Ayra, Sophie and Isabelle. There were some half rounders scored by Sophie, Abigail and me. In the end we played two very tough matches against New Hall team. In the end we won 11 to 8 ½ and 7 ½ to 7. Well played girls .

By Maisie Pearson.

Cricket

1st X1 v New Hall

A convincing win for Widford by 6 wickets. New Hall batted first and scored 80 runs all out. A good all round bowling performance led by Matt M-J, Christian Hall and Cameron Sheppard. Matt Gilham took a super catch and Will Hibberd behind the stumps was neat and tidy!

A solid batting performance by Matt M-J who hit the winning runs with exquisite straight drive proved to be decisive. Widford winning with a couple of overs to spare.

Man of the Match Matt M-J.

As a coach I am delighted with the cricket being played. As a Headmaster and coach I am even more pleased to hear about the spirit and integrity our boys and girls are displaying whether in victory or defeat on the sports field, well done everyone!!

Widford vs. St. Cedd's 12th May 2010

In bright but chilly conditions and with great enthusiasm, the Under 10's team took on St. Cedd's, lead by captain Will Buttleman.

After losing the toss, Widford Lodge were asked to bat. They gave a good account of themselves throughout the innings with some tidy batting and decent partnerships. Mackenzie Maberly and Ben Read put on a steady 14, losing a few runs after gifting St. Cedd's two catches. Charlie Torr and Nancy then added an impressive 26.

Joe Burton and George Berryman kept the runs flowing with a partnership of 24 before William Buttleman and Benji Mitchell shared a similar stand, scoring 24. With Tom basely and Ted

Stroud topping up the total with 6 more runs, the team were clearly happy with their all round knock.

After the break, Widford Lodge had a good lead of 94 to protect and despite a lack of early wickets; the bowling was of an excellent standard. Ted Stroud opened the innings and his line and length made sure the opening batsmen had to work hard for their runs, with just eight runs scored off of his two overs. Ben Read also bowled well with quality form, giving up just seven runs. Tom Baseley and George Berryman bowled with growing confidence despite being more expensive as St. Cedd's sent in their big hitters. With the batting side taking a strangle hold of the match, Joe Burton and Nancy Hebron were brought into the attack. Each reduced the score by taking great wickets and after their spell of two overs each; they had reduced the opposition's score by three runs. Pressure was maintained by Mackenzie Maberly and Charlie Torr, which set the final St.Cedd's partnership a total of 22 off of 4 overs.

William Buttleman had mixed blind enthusiasm with composed decisions all day as captain and in the same vein, varied his bowling, combining pace and spin deliveries to bowl out two St. Cedd's batters in his spell. The last over of the game saw Benji Mitchell protecting an 18 run lead and he was not about to let the match slip away now. A stunning bowling performance, capped by exquisite catching by Tom Baseley and Will Buttleman rocked St.Cedd's into submission! In fact, St.Cedd's failed to score a run off the bat in any of the last five overs.

An all round display like this deserves many mentions, with Joe Burton, Nancy Hebron and William Buttleman making their presence felt. However, there was a player who stood up when the weight of the game was straining Widford Lodge to the limit. With clever batting and bowling that surprised and delighted his teammates, he deserves real praise (it was just a shame his mother was unable to witness the magic!). The boy, Benji Mitchell, even ran the scoreboard sensibly with a mature understanding of the game! Well done Benji.

Player of the Match - Benji Mitchell

MUSIC NEWS

The House Music Competition will be held in the School Hall on 10th June at 4.30pm. Closing date for the competition is Friday 21st May.

Widford Lodge Charity Golf Day

This will be held at Crondon Park Golf Club on 2nd June 2010. We are still short of the desired amount of players and if we cannot obtain these we may have to postpone until later in the year. If you are interested in taking part please collect a form from the

table in the school foyer or contact Catherine Grief on 01277 655369.

FOWL Summer Fayre

Friday 28th May
2 Weeks to Go....

Volunteers - Our thanks to everyone who has offered their help this year. We still need a few more parent helpers for ½ hour slots on some of the stalls. If you can spare ½ hour please speak to Sam Varley (3D mum) on samvarley@blueyonder.co.uk

Donations – We are pleased to say that we do have some storage space so from next week please bring your donations in and leave them in the Secretary's office. Just to remind you we are looking for donations of the following:-

Children's books and toys

Raffle prizes

Stall prizes

Anything particularly relating to the theme will be most welcome.

FOWL Members

Alison Dunn (Form 2)

Diane Ferguson (Form 4)

Mary Hepburn (Form 3 and KG)

Claire Howland (Form 3)

Emma Matthews (Form 3)

Sarah Meddle (From 3)

Sarah Mortlock (Form 4 and 1)

Jane Parrish (Form 3 and 1)

Anna Williams (Form 3)

Sam Varley (Form 3)

N.B. Please see flyer at the end of this Study Letter to hear about the charity benefitting from this year's Summer Fayre.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD SAXONS DUTY WEEK

KEY STAGE 2 SATs WEEK.

Monday 17th Un9 & Un8 Cricket & Rounders v Elm Green
(a) 3.00pm

Tuesday 18th Un11 Tennis v Dame Bradbury's (a) 1.30pm

Wednesday 19th **1st X1 Cricket v Felsted (h) 2.30pm**
Un11 Rounders Tournament @ Felsted

Thursday 20th **STOMP WORKSHOP**
Un 9 Cricket & Rounders v Felsted (h)
3.30pm

Friday 21st **1st X1 Cricket & Un11 Rounders v Elm Green**
(h) 2.30pm

SCHOOL LUNCH MENU

MONDAY 17th **Sausage Rolls with Potato Wedges & Beans**
Tuna or Cheese Salad
Dessert
Fresh Fruit & Yoghurts
Cheese & Biscuits

TUESDAY 18th **Chilli-Con-Carne with Rice**
Tuna or Cheese Salad
Dessert
Fresh Fruit & Yoghurts
Cheese & Biscuits

WEDNESDAY 19th **Sausages with Mash, Yorkshire Puddings & Gravy**
Tuna or Cheese Salad
Dessert
Fresh Fruit & Yoghurts
Cheese & Biscuits

THURSDAY 20th **Fresh Rolls with Assorted Fillings**
Tuna or Cheese Salad
Dessert
Fresh Fruit & Yoghurts
Cheese & Biscuits

FRIDAY 21st **Pork Balls with Tagliatelle, Broccoli & Sweetcorn**
Tuna or Cheese Salad
Dessert
Fresh Fruit & Yoghurts
Cheese & Biscuits

This years beneficiaries from the school summer fayre are The Smile Train and The Yo Yo project. See below for further information:



SmileTrain Changing The World
One Smile At A Time.

Unlike many charities that do many different things, The Smile Train mission is focused on solving a single problem: cleft lip and palate.

Clefts are a major problem in developing countries where there are millions of children who are suffering with unrepaired clefts. Most cannot eat or speak properly. Aren't allowed to attend school or hold a job. And face very difficult lives filled with shame and isolation, pain and heartache.

The good news is every single child with a cleft can be helped with surgery that costs as little as £150 and takes as little as 45 minutes.

This is our mission:

-To provide free cleft surgery for millions of poor children in developing countries.

-To provide free cleft-related training for doctors and medical professionals.

Until there are no more children who need help and we have completely eradicated the problem of clefts.

What Makes The Smile Train Different:

- Focused on a single problem: cleft lip and palate.
- 'Teach a man to fish': we empower local doctors in developing countries.
- The lowest cost per surgery of any cleft charity.
- Best safety and quality record amongst cleft charities.
- We bring your donations to the poorest countries on earth which magnifies the impact.
- We help children in 77 of the world's poorest countries.

The Yo Yo Project



e for children and young people who live in the Mid-Essex area and who have experienced
ey consider to be significant in their life. This service offers a range of support to young
is open to anyone in the Mid Essex Area.

[Yo Yo Project download the leaflet from the Farleigh Hospice website: http://www.farleigh.org](http://www.farleigh.org)

Because our feelings go up and down

the yo-yo project for ages 5-18 years