



# From the Study

Friday, 02 December 2011

**A BIG THANK YOU** to all those involved in putting together such a wonderful Carol Service earlier this week. I thought the children sang, performed and read beautifully. I'm sure you will join with me in congratulating Mrs Poole, Mr Strong and all those teachers and parents who make these events possible.

Thank you also to those parents who had to alter their plans in order to attend the service in its afternoon slot. I would be very interested to hear from you should you have any thoughts about the best time to have the service, in the evening or afternoon? Perhaps you could email your thoughts to [admin@widfordlodge.co.uk](mailto:admin@widfordlodge.co.uk) by Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December as we have to book the cathedral for next year before the end of term. S.C.T.

## November

Thank you for your support and good humour in the quest to raise money for 'Movember'.



(Mr Grant and Mr T admiring their moustaches!)

All in all we have raised just short of £400, which will go towards finding cures for and supporting those affected by male specific cancers. S.C.T.

The winning 'Moustaches'!!



By Lucy O'Flaherty (5H)



By Noah Miller (2G)

Congratulations to you both.

## Headmaster's Awards

Congratulations to the following children, Rory Hopkins (2M) for English, Isabelle Berryman & Elliot Tiney (4P) for English, Harriet Burgess, Ellie Main, Eleanor White & Isabella Williams (5H) for English, Alexander Houston (5H) for Science, Rachel Adshead-Grant, Charlotte Henson & Jessica Steadman (5BS) for English, Charlotte Henson & Jessica Steadman (5BS) for Science, Megan Bradford & Isabelle Lawrence (6T) for Art and finally Nick Gardner & James Taylor-Anton (6T) for English. Well done to you all.

## Politeness & Courtesy Cup

The winner of the Politeness & Courtesy Cup last week was Charlie Constable (KGT). Congratulations Charlie.

## House Rugby & Netball Competition

Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December, 2.15pm

All boys and girls in Forms 5 & 6 will be involved. All supporters welcome!!

## Netball

U11 New Hall Tournament

V Coopersale	won 6-1
V St. Margaret's	won 6-0
V New Hall	won 5-1
V St. Anne's	won 9-3
V Brentwood	lost 1-5

In a very close semi-final the girls lost 3-5 to Ursuline.

Un9 A & B v St Cedd's

A'S Lost 13-0

B'S Drew 0-0

I have two new metal netball rings suitable for putting up in the garden. £20 each. Please see Mrs Trowell if you are interested.

## Rugby

Well done to the 1<sup>st</sup> team who won a hard fought game against Brentwood last Friday by 7-5.

Captain, Noah Chilvers scored the Widford points. Colours awarded to: Henry Wood, William Kiely, Nick Gardner and Nathan Markham.

This match concluded the normal fixtures for the term with the 1<sup>st</sup> Team winning 6 out of the 7 games. The 'B' Team won 2 out of their 5 matches and the 'C' team drew their game.

The Under 9's played 4 and won 3 and the under 8's played 3 fixtures, winning 2 of them.

I must say it's been a really successful and enjoyable term of rugby, with all Widford teams playing an attractive game and always playing in the spirit of the game.

If you are at a loose end on Sunday, the 1<sup>st</sup> Team is playing in the Brentwood Tournament, with their first game against Ipswich Prep kicking off at 10.20am.

P.S. Can I have all Team Kits in by Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December.

Thank you

## For Sale

There will be a 'sale' of truly unique old rugby shirts, in great condition, throughout next week. Come and take a look. All proceeds will be ploughed back into new rugby kit.

Un 8 Rugby v New Hall.

A Team Won 11-6

B Team Won 8-5

A fantastic effort for their first match!

## Kindergarten News

Kindergarten has been busy making Christmas decorations and rehearsing for our Nativity play. We performed to the school this week and are looking forward to our big performance to our parents on Tuesday! J.T.



## Widford Holiday Club

Crafts, sports, cookery, drama, videos and games.

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> December

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December

9am-4.30pm

£30 per day

Pick up a form from the Entrance Hall and return by Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December

Come and have fun with your friends!

S.T.

## MFL News

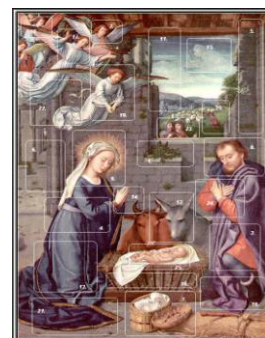
Some of the Form 4 pupils enjoyed reading and writing French poems in a Master Class on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November.



Form 6 will be visiting the Europa Centre in January to practise shopping dialogues in French. May I remind you that payment for this visit is due by **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December**. Thank you to those who have already returned payment. K.B.

## Roman's Christmas Tombola:

This week the Romans had an 'Advent Calendar Tombola'. We raised £104.14 for our charity 'Arise and Shine'. Hopefully this will give children less fortunate than ourselves something special for Christmas. Thank you to everyone that bought a ticket.



## Romans:

Don't forget your 'Secret Santas' for next week!

## Year 6 Geography Fieldtrip

On 22<sup>nd</sup> November, all of Year 6 went to the Suntrap centre in Epping Forest. We waded in the streams and recorded some information that we could use to draw cross sections of meanders.

Abbi Holford and Rosie O'flaherty.



Form 1 have been exploring Christmas in the Past as their topic this week. On Tuesday Mrs Collins, Mrs Edgar and Mrs Morley-Jacob visited us to explain about their Childhood Christmas memories. Mrs Morley Jacob shared some hilarious pictures of her family's Christmas costumes.

On Wednesday we were delighted to welcome grandparents, to hear about their Childhood experiences. Mia's Nanny Longton told us about Christmas in Germany and Guy's grandparents demonstrated a Magic Lantern. Ella's grandparents described a Scottish Christmas and Ben's grandad recalled growing up by Boreham Airfield during the second world war. The Grandparents all brought in precious artefacts to share including silver coins for the Christmas pudding and a ration book from the war.

Thank you to all of our visitors. The afternoons were a great success and we learnt so much

J.E.

## Form 1 – Exploring Christmas in the Past



## Form 2 - Florence Nightingale Day 22 November 2011

The children all dressed in costume from the Victorian times and along with Teachers and Parents enjoyed a day with Florence Nightingale, organised by the Historian Company called 'Off the Page.'

Initially the children made items that Florence would be able to sell or take with her to help with the war effort. Items such as diaries, candles, medals, locket with hair and the person's portrait, paper dolls, decorated pillboxes and hand painted cards. Whilst the children were busy they kept hearing news from the war front. The children had a wonderful opportunity to handle artefacts from the Victorian period. They discussed what the objects were used for and who might use them. They helped to sort out the luggage that had been muddled on the journey to Turkey. They also had an opportunity to role play the various activities that would have happened in the Scutari Hospital run by Florence Nightingale.

It was an amazing learning opportunity for all and an experience I am sure the children will remember.



L.M.

### Science Masterclass

On Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> November Mr John Houghton, a Science specialist from a large secondary school, came into school to take a groups of our budding scientists from Years 3 to 6! They really impressed him with not only their scientific knowledge, but their ability to plan and work as a team. Well done!



### Hair Today....Gone Tomorrow!

The *Movember moustaches* have gone! Well done to Mr Trowell, Mr Strong, Mr Grant and Mr Blundell for such a great effort! Lucky Mrs Eggleton was chosen to shave off the last of the moustaches in assembly!



### 3K Assembly

3K recently performed their class assembly to the school all about the 'Horrible Ancient Egyptians'! Thanks to them, we all now know how to mummify a dead body, what canopic jars were for, who the Egyptians believed created the world and how long it would take you to build a pyramid! Well done 3K for a very funny start to the morning!



### Mad Science Club

The Mad Scientists continue to enjoy their Mad Science sessions! We have enjoyed finding out about the chemicals in fireworks, forensic science and volcanes! Last session is on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December!



## Forthcoming Events

Mon 5th	Form 1 Christmas Play 9.30am Form 2 Christmas Play 2.30pm
Tues 6 <sup>th</sup>	KG Christmas Play 9.00am
Wed 7 <sup>th</sup>	Felsted Hockey Tournament.
Thurs 8 <sup>th</sup>	Pantomine at Queens Theatre Hornchurch, Leave School 9.00am Un 9 Netball A & B v St Margarets (A) 2.30pm
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup>	Pre-School Play 9.30pm House & Rugby Competition 2.15pm
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup>	Junior Chamber & Senior Choir to perform at Sainsbury Springfield a.m.
Mon 12 <sup>th</sup>	Form 3 Christmas Play 9.00am
Tues 13 <sup>th</sup>	Prep School General Knowledge Quiz Term Ends Pre-Prep Middy Prep 2.30pm