

SNIPPETS

a weekly update from **Godstowe Preparatory School**

Happy Christmas! We arrive at the end of a very long, but thoroughly enjoyable autumn term. Having read through the girls' reports in Main School, it is clear that they have all been working very hard throughout the term and much success and excellent development has been noted and commented on enthusiastically by the staff. All of the girls have maintained a high level of involvement both in and out of the classroom. As usual, they do so with a broad smile indicating the mood of the school that we all prefer to see that gives an outward demonstration of our ethos. I thank you all for your continued support of the school; it still remains a fact that 90% of our visiting parents have been referred to us by you. Please feel free to continue doing so! My thanks also to all of the boys and girls at Lodge – we thoroughly enjoyed the nativity performances, which were of a very high standard, I'm sure you'll agree. All that remains is for me to wish you a very Happy Christmas and a prosperous new year.

Awards and achievements

The Monday Badge was awarded this week to **Cleo Sloggett**, for being happy and enthusiastic.

Boarders of the Week are **Clara Pepera** (Highlands) for improved organisation and a positive attitude, **Eun-Ju Ko** and **Beatriz Martinez** (Walker) for being kind and enthusiastic and always passing on a smile and **Kelsey Heath** (Turner) for her wonderful Thanksgiving service. Well done, girls.

Artwork of the Week is by **Maria Li** for an excellent pencil drawing.

The Deputy Heads' Tidiest Form Room Competition has been won this week by **IIB** (Lower Division), **LIIM** (Middle Division) and **UIIS** (Upper Division).

There was no Colour Team Shield awarded this week as the final totals are being compiled for the term prize.

Lodge News – Mrs Wyman

This week **Kindergarten** would like to say a big thank you to Mrs Morley and Mrs Parker who came in and told us so much about wonderful Scotland to celebrate St Andrew's Day. What with trying on kilts, finding out about famous Scots and eating shortbread we all had a marvellous time. The adults were amazed at just how many famous people and fascinating inventions came from bonny Scotland Och aye!

Congratulations to all the Nursery and Lodge children for their wonderful nativity plays. It feels like Christmas starts as soon as we are treated to all the lovely singing and sentiment that the children give us all on these special occasions.

All children do need to have a coat at this time of year. It is easy to forget but we have no spare coats and sometimes the tracksuit is just not enough for playing outside in the colder weather.

Lodge will finish the autumn term on Tuesday at 12noon.

You should all have received a form for choosing after school clubs and activities for the spring term, so please return these to your child's form teacher tomorrow.

On the last Snippets of this term, I wish you and your families a Merry Christmas from all of the staff in Lodge.

Friends of Godstowe News

Bags – If you have missed the opportunity to purchase the cotton bags sporting the girls' self portraits, we have a small number remaining. These can be purchased either through the Main School Reception or by contacting Tara Leaver on 0794 1251488.

Christmas Plants – the Christmas Plant offers can be collected from outside Reception now.

Dates for next year – finally, a few dates for your diary for next term:

The disco for the children will be held on Saturday 30th January, from 5.30 - 7.00pm for Lodge and Form 1 and from 7.30 - 9.00 pm for Form 2 upwards.

Our ever popular quiz night for the adults will be on 27th February so start getting your teams together and thinking of your team name!

Merry Christmas and we look forward to seeing you all in the New Year!

Vegetable of the Week – Mr Johnson, Head Chef
Last week's guest vegetable was curly kale. This week: cauliflower: a good source of Vitamin C.



Sports News and Results – PE Department

Next term's fixtures are now on the website at www.godstowe.org/Current_Info/Fixtures/Spring_2010

Saturday, 28 November

Form I to MIII Cross Country

Form I: 2nd place Mia Rogers, 8th place Amelia Weir.

Form II: overall winner Rosie O'Brien, 2nd place Emilia Lloyd.

LIII: 8th place Jessamy Money-Kyrle.

MIII: 13th place Elizabeth Raynsford.

Monday, 30 November

U11A & B Netball v Pipers Corner

U11A won 9-0, U11B won 13-2

Tuesday, 1 December

U12A & B Netball v Wycombe High

U12A won 16-6, U12B lost 6-10

Saturday, 5 December

U12 & U13 Lacrosse v Pipers Corner

U12 won 4-2, U13 won 10-2

Netball Medal Found – School Office

A silver-coloured netball medal has been found on the netball courts. It has 'High Wycombe and District Netball Assoc' enamelled on it and has a red, white and blue twisted cord. If this is your daughter's, it may be claimed from the Main School Office.

Santa Fun Run – Mrs McHutchon

Many thanks to everyone who sponsored me for the Santa Fun Run on Sunday. I would be very grateful if you would hand your sponsorship money in at Main School Reception. Thank you!

The last word – Mr Gainer

I hope you will all enjoy a well-deserved Christmas break and I look forward very much to seeing you again in January when we will all be ready for the off once more.