

SNIPPETS

a weekly update from **Godstowe Preparatory School**

If any of you blinked between Wednesday and Friday you will have missed the raising of the steelwork which now defines the space set aside for the new Reception area. You now can have a real sense of the scale of the development and many of the girls in the Main School now know how giant Meccano works, having watched them bolt the thing together during various break times.

Those of you who have had building work done at home will appreciate how boring it all is until you start working above the ground. So far, we're on course for an opening in September – watch that space!

Awards and Appointments

Boarders of the Week are **Maria Mayo** (Highlands) for settling in well, **Clara Rupf** (Walker) for being kind and friendly to staff and the other girls and **Charlie Neate** (Turner) for a huge improvement since September.

Artwork of the Week was won by **Daleen Mehrez** and **Grace Annable** for their portraits.

Well done to **Elizabeth Bosson, Tatiana Chiaramonte** and **Jessica Pycroft** for receiving 50 house points each.

The Deputy Heads' Tidiest Form Room Competition was won this week by **IG** (Lower Division), **MIIIA** (Middle Division) and **UIIIL** (Upper Division). Keep it up, girls!

This week's Colour Team Shield Holders are the **Yellow** Team.

Monday Afternoon Concert – Mrs Gillett

Form I, Form II and LIII are performing in a concert in the Recital Hall on Monday, 28th June at 2.30pm. If you are free, please do come and watch! Pick up will be as normal at 4pm.

FOG News – Mrs Leaver and Mrs Gardner

Village Fete Saturday, 3rd July 1-5pm

It's only a week to go until the Village Fete and we are looking forward to seeing you there. Please remember this is a ticketed event and these need to be bought in advance so that we can ensure that all the relevant safety and security considerations are addressed. Tickets will be sent home via the girls' bags towards the end of next week. If you require a ticket order form, these are available at Reception or can be downloaded from the FOG page of the school website.

In addition, we will be sending home a brochure next week with lots of information about the day, including the display timetable, the refreshment information and a list of all the wonderful retailers who will be making up our Village High Street. We hope you find time to look through it.

Finally, a quick reminder about the competitions. We would really like to put up a good display of competition entries so that the Old Godstownians who are here for the Alumni event (and there will be over two hundred of them!) can see just how well our children do. We will put a box in the marquee as soon as it is up (hopefully Tuesday night) or, for the written competition for Lower through to Fourth, Mrs VanHoegarden and Miss Marchionne will have collection points.

A massive thank you to everyone who is helping us with this event – we couldn't do it without you!

Any questions or queries, please feel free to contact Tara Leaver (07941 251488 or taraleaver@me.com) or Norma Gardner (07801958956 or norma.gardner@btinternet.com) at any time.

More Fencing Success

Annabel Garood and **Iona Moseley** took part in the England Youth Championship finals last weekend. This is major league U15 fencing competition and the pair of them were probably the only 'school fencers' taking part – everyone else was from a fencing club. Iona found the going tough but came away a far better and more assertive fencer than she went in. Annabel got herself into the top 20 in the country before running into one of the England internationals in a direct elimination and went out. It was a good effort by them both.

Vegetable of the Week – Mr Johnson, Head Chef

This week's guest vegetables were peppers. Next week: runner beans – a good source of vitamins A and C, the B vitamins thiamine, niacin and folate, also high in beta-carotene.

Sports News and Results – PE Department

U12 and U13 Rounders v. Piper's Corner

The girls played well and won both matches.

Results as follows:

IVs won 19½ to Piper's Corner 7½

Player of the match for Uppers was shared between **Elia Lecumberri** and **Sofie Svanikier**



Player of the match for IVs was shared between **Olivia Macmillan-Scott** and **Gigi Ruan**

The last word – *Mr Gainer*

I'm looking forward to Thorpe Park tomorrow with the boarders and then on Sunday I intend to inflict pain upon myself watching England succumb to Germany – or will they?

In the mean time I will pop out for a touch of tennis to see whether or not I can string a set out for more than 138 games.

Please do fix into your minds the Village Fete next Saturday. The weather appears steady and we're all looking forward to the event enormously. I should put out one more plea for anyone prepared to offer some adult help/supervision at some point during the day. This really would be a great help. Please contact Tara Leaver or Norma Gardner, or let me know in the School Office. Many thanks. Don't forget the sun cream as I often do.
– **DG**

Next week's sports fixtures

For maps and downloadable diary dates, go to www.godstowe.org/Current_Info/Fixtures/Summer_2010

Date	Teams	Opponents	Venue	Time
JUNE				
Tuesday, 29th	U12 & U13 Tennis – Bucks Cup	Chesham High	A	4.45pm
Wednesday 30th	U8 – U11 Swimming	Heatherton House	H	4.45pm