



7th May 2010

Dear Parents

On Monday next we have the penultimate lecture in our Centenary Lecture series. As you can see from the information below, it promises to be informative and amusing. Don't miss this entertaining evening.

Prep Centenary Lecture

Dominic Brigstocke

on

Comedy & Working with Famous and Funny People

Monday 10th May 7.30pm

Prep School Hall

Dominic Brigstocke is a film and television director. He has won a number of prestigious media awards, including BAFTA awards for directing *The Mrs Merton Show*, *I'm Alan Partridge* and *Green Wing*. He is also responsible for *The Armstrong and Miller Show* as well as the *Horrible History* series.

This event is open to parents, their guests and current pupils. Reservations, which can be obtained from the School Office, are at the suggested donation of £5.00 each. All money raised will be donated to our Centenary Charities – *East Anglian Children's Hospice* and *The Perse School Bursary and Hardship Fund*.

Last night the PPP held their AGM. After an excellent presentation from James Featherstone (Head of Lower School at the Upper), there was a first rate supper. Thanks to the PPP Committee for organising such an enjoyable event and for all the hard work that they do to support the School. They are a great team.

Congratulations to all the pupils who took part in the Pupil Centenary Lecture Competition. The standard was very high indeed and really proved how able our boys and girls are. Here are the winners – special congratulations to them. You can hear them on June 14th at 7.30pm in the School Hall. Put this date in your diary NOW!



Jess Painter Y3



Thomas Morris Y3



Pavan Tanna Y4



Clara Balon Y5



David Lee Y6

Mobile phones



We again find ourselves having to remind all pupils and parents that only children who come to school **on public transport** are allowed to bring mobile phones to school and for use only in an emergency.

During the school day they **must** give their mobile phones to Mrs. Tully for safe keeping – bringing their phone straight to reception when they arrive at School.

All other children are not allowed to bring mobile phones to school. If a child needs to urgently contact a parent during the school day then the school phone at reception can be used with the permission of Mrs Tully.

Additionally we also need to remind parents and pupils that **no** child is allowed to bring an electronic gadget to school (for example a Nintendo DS, iPod or MP3 player). This total ban includes children who travel to school on public transport – if there is a need to find entertainment for the journey we recommend pupils borrow a book or two from our well stocked School Library! Thank you for your full cooperation.

If pupils are found using mobile phones during school, they will be confiscated and only parents will be able to have them released.

Athletics

On Thursday evening, the 6th May, 20 of our athletes chosen from across all four year groups, competed at The Leys School playing field on Latham Road. Perse finished 3rd out of 5, behind St. Faith's and Wellingborough Schools.

It was an evening of great entertainment and great effort, and Perse had winners in James Tee and Elijah Price in sprints and Daniel Arbide in a terrific 800 metres. There were also 2nd places for Abigail Callaghan and Findlay Thompson in their sprints but all competitors can feel pleased with their efforts.

Election Day!

This past week all pupils have had assemblies and some lessons on the election and on our political system in general – and they have had a chance to voice their opinions! Yesterday all of the school, pupils and staff, received their ballot papers and had a chance to vote secretly for the party they wanted to win in a school election. The results have been eagerly awaited...

Conservatives 126 votes

Liberal Democrats 91 votes

Green Party 26 votes

Labour Party 13 votes

UKIP 4 votes.

As well as the school election, some classes also formed their own political parties and wrote their own policies, before holding class elections. There were some interesting policies such as no homework, a 3-day weekend and a World Chocolate Day, along the lines of World Book Day. There were also some very thought provoking ideas such as a compulsory donation of 1% of all income to charities, or a compulsory planting of three new trees for every tree chopped down.

Coronation Day

This Wednesday we had another of our special decade days as part of our centenary celebrations, and we had the chance to travel back to the 1950's to the coronation of Elizabeth II. The school all looked very patriotic in their red, white and blue. Every child made a crown – which was then judged by former members of staff who were visiting that day. The winners then became the royal

family for the afternoon. The afternoon festivities began with a brilliant Proms medley performed by the school assembly group and Mrs. Richardson. Our royal family then ceremoniously filed in to the sound of cheering and the waving of union jacks, before a rousing rendition of the national anthem. We watched some clips of original coronation footage, had cake and a drink, then enthusiastically sang hits from the fifties. The hall was instantly transformed into a posse of Presleys....

PPES summer Camp

The next PPES event to take place will be the Summer Camp which will take run from Tuesday 1st June to Thursday 3rd June. It is only open to pupils who have already attended PPES sessions. Details will be sent out nearer the time but Chris Brickel would like an idea of numbers. If your child would like to attend this camp please speak to Mrs Tully.

Well done



Congratulations to **William Coleman** who was runner up as part of the West Wrattling U10 football team. The team reached the final of the Cambridgeshire Football Association under 10 knockout cup and was only beaten after a penalty shootout. Well done to **Arjun** and **Karram Sandhu** for receiving their new karate belts.



Congratulations

Silver house point certificates have been awarded to **Henry Foster, George Toff, William Anderson, Charlotte Benton, David Moreira da Silva, Stanley Reynolds** and **Matthew Woolf**. **Theo Pixsley, Robert Almqvist, Lydia Balon, Edmund Goodman, Francesca Regnier-Wilson, Simon Skovgaard, Jessica Squibb, Yao-Chih Kuo, Blythe White, Ben Williamson, Dominic morgan, Daniel Arbide, Minju Kim** and **Anna-Katrine Sussex** have been awarded Gold house point certificates. Platinum house point certificates have been awarded to **Elizabeth Minshall, George Doel, Maya Ramsey** and **Helena Hughes-Davies**. Well done all!



Yours sincerely



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