

# REVIEW

BLUNDELL'S PREPARATORY SCHOOL MAGAZINE

SUMMER 2010

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**Opening the doors of opportunity  
and sowing the seeds of success:  
Arabian Nights to remember**



## Head Master's News



The end of term is usually busy, but the end of this particular Summer Term was busier than ever. Speech Day and the Summer Concert were the usual annual events enjoyed by many hundreds of people. The choir and children were on top form. We also had the pleasure of listening to The Honourable Timothy Knatchbull's moving words at our prize giving. We then enjoyed a super reunion evening with over 200 Old Boys and Girls to celebrate ten years on the Blundell's site. This event seemed to be very much appreciated by all who attended. This was

*Mr. Folland and guest speaker The Honourable Timothy Knatchbull with prize winners at Speech Day. Photo courtesy of Twyford Photography.*

followed by a pleasant social get together with our Year 6 parents to say farewell to this super year group, an evening which I am sure will now become an annual event. The Year 6 play, Arabian Nights, subsequently proved to be a triumph at Ondaatje. It all adds up to a lively, wholehearted effort by all children and staff. I thank them all very much indeed. I wish all our leavers every success in the future and look forward to welcoming all the new pupils in September for the next academic year.

**Nick Folland** Head Master



## Newspaper Club

Your reporters for the Review this year have been: **Annabel Cox, Bethany Mettam, Alexander Davidson, Hannah Crookdake, Theo Belcher, Hannah Allison, Laurie Dawkins, Hannah Carthew, Ella Davenport, Eva Lloyd and Nicole Charles**, Year 6.

## Pre-Prep Parents' Morning

On Friday 7th May a good number of Pre-Prep parents joined their children in school for the morning. Although not required to sport the Blundell's uniform, they did attend Assembly and joined in some lessons. Some parents got involved with a very practical session on model making, some attended art and IT lessons and others experienced some maths and English. A bit of role reversal took place at break time when the children enthusiastically served their parents cakes, biscuits and scones and they made very fine hosts indeed. We hope that our parents really enjoyed their time with us, and we will be looking to repeat this invitation, and also invite our grandparents back to visit next year too. **E.F.B.**



## Pottering Around



Mike and Marian Beresford from Cheriton Ceramics came in to school to work with parents and staff on the potters' wheel for the latest Blundell's Prep Cafe event in May. Having previously supported Year 5 in their art lessons, Marian kindly demonstrated the art of throwing a pot on the potters' wheel, before inviting all to have a go for themselves. Refreshments were served and parents were also given the opportunity to paint their own mugs, providing a creative focus for the informal get together. Look out for more cafe events coming soon!

L.P.M.



## Staff on the Spot

**Mrs. Connolly**



**1, Where did you used to work before you came to St. Aubyn's?**  
Ravenswood Boarding School

**2, How long have you worked at St. Aubyn's/ Blundell's Prep School?**  
Eighteen years

**3, Have you always taught in Year 2?**  
No, I used to work with Year 1, which I really enjoyed.

**4, What is the best thing about being a Year 2 teacher?**  
The chance to go on school trips to the beach!

**5, What is your favourite lesson to teach?**  
English

**6, What has been your most embarrassing moment?**  
Accidentally putting gravy on my chocolate pudding one lunch time!

**7, What do you most enjoy outside of school?**  
Horse riding, and walking my dogs Inca and Rosie

**8, Do you have any children?**  
I have two grown-up daughters.

**9, What car do you drive?**  
A black Seat Ibiza

**10, What is your favourite...**  
**A, ...sport?** Riding  
**B, ...food?** Italian  
**C, ...book?** Wuthering Heights  
**D, ...movie?** Dances with Wolves  
**E, ...TV programme?** Grand Designs, and Have I Got News For You?  
**F, ...actor?** Alan Rickman

**11, What has been your best holiday?**  
On safari in Kenya

**12, If you won the lottery what would you buy?**  
A house in the sun, and lots of champagne!

Interview devised and conducted by **Theo Belcher** and **Alexander Davidson**, Year 6



## Ballet Show

Our annual whole school ballet performance took place on May 6th to a packed audience in the Pre-Prep hall. Over forty children, boys and girls, took part showing the audience what they had learnt from their weekly sessions with Mrs. Wightmore. It was wonderful to see how well the children's dancing develops, from the exuberant enthusiastic younger children in the Pre-Prep to the elegance and poise displayed by the senior pupils. We all enjoyed a very varied programme and await next year's performance with eager anticipation. **E.F.B.**



## Joke of the Term # 13

**Q.** How do you wake Lady GaGa?

**A.** Poke her face!

Joke supplied by **by Lily Mackay** and **Molly Cross**, Year 3.

Tell your favourite funny to Mr. Moore or any member of Newspaper Club to see your joke published here next time.





## London Marathon

I would like to say a huge thank you to everyone for their kind wishes and fantastic support! I raised £1600, which has been gratefully received by the charity Action for Children. The experience of the marathon was amazing and one that I would welcome again. Fingers crossed that my ballot entry is successful, as I am hoping to complete it in a quicker time, sub 5 hours, next year! Again a massive thanks and if you feel like a challenge this is a great one to undertake! **L.M.M.**

This year we again decided to use our Sponsored Trike Ride to support the charity 'Shelter Box'. We have been very aware of just how many times they have been called upon to help during so many natural disasters this year and it is such a worthwhile cause with all the money going towards providing very basic and essential equipment for those in desperate situations. As always the children really enjoyed taking part and everyone managed to complete their ten laps, as well as enjoying the many other fun activities organised for them. We would just like to say a big 'Thank You' to all those who supported us by collecting money which we will now send on to Shelter Box. **L.H.**



## Pedal Push

## 10 YEAR ANNIVERSARY



On Thursday 1st July the Old Boys and Old Girls of St. Aubyn's and Blundell's Prep were invited back to school to celebrate ten years on the Blundell's site. The evening began with the choir singing and the orchestra playing a short concert, before food and drink were served in the hall. Tours of the building followed, and all of the guests enjoyed catching up with old friends. *Pictured: three generations of Old Boys from the Batting family.*

**Hannah Carthew**, Year 6

## Bob the Blob and Friends in: Summer Camp



Original characters created by Frances Auger, Kristiane Wheeler and Emily Nash



## Otters

Record numbers of Year 2 children have attended Otters Club this year. Sporting their smart green caps they meet every Wednesday, beginning the session with their Otters chant and enjoying a very varied programme each term. One of the most popular sessions is 'Show Time' where the children present on stage a skill or talent they have acquired. This can be anything from dressing up as a famous character to football skills, giving a talk on their family history to playing a musical instrument. The girls have become fond of creating their own dance routines whilst the boys have made some spectacular models and shared some really awful jokes! We have also had a visit from The Really Wild Man (below), designed t-shirts, had polar races and even danced along to that famous Gene Kelly sketch, Singing in the Rain, which was great fun. A really good year has been enjoyed by all! **E.F.B.**



## Busy Bees

On Wednesdays after school many children in Year 1 have attended Busy Bees regularly throughout the year. Most of the children including Oliver, Jessica, Thomas, Ollie, George, Abigail, Tom, Freddie, Alexander, Edward and Tyler tell us that they have enjoyed everything! This has included activities such as races, making things, scavenger hunts and games. Estelle and Eve especially enjoyed the visit from 'Party Pieces' (above), while Finlay, Gabriel and George really liked playing the games with the water pistols. Bethany kindly said that she liked spending time with Mrs. Nash and Mrs. Kimber every week. Sophie enjoyed the Show Time sessions and we all loved watching her perform, particularly her dancing. Anna and Alice mentioned that they enjoyed all the things that we have made including the stained glass decorations at Christmas. Kit really enjoyed the pirate session and Nathan loved all the activities involving food, especially the end of term picnic. This year has been a lot of fun and we are looking forward to welcoming our new Busy Bees in September. **D.M.K. & T.N.**



## Parent and Toddlers

Mums, Dads, Grandparents, child minders, babies and toddlers have all taken advantage of this term's glorious weather to enjoy the regular Wednesday afternoon activities on offer at Parent and Toddler Group. Craft, painting, playdough, playing outside, refreshments and singing are all very popular. If you have a child under school age, come along and join in the fun! **W.J.N.**

## J-Team

The Blundell's Prep School Christian Union, or Jesus' Team as it is commonly known, meets regularly each Tuesday lunchtime. We study the Bible, sing, pray and play silly games. Mrs. Dean leads our worship time and is always on hand to put Mr. Hirst in his place if he steps out of line. Mrs. Naylor and Wallace also came to visit this term and we did all the J-Team summer favourites, including Tug of War and Scavenger Hunt – as well as introducing Sleeping Lions just for Wallace's visit. We now say goodbye to two faithful team members – Maddi Parsons and Olivia Jolliffe – and we pray that God will bless them at their new schools. See the rest of you next term – same time, same place, for more JJJJJJJJJ-Team! **E.S.H.**



# Sticking together





# Out and about

## Babbacombe Model Village and Kent's Cavern

The children in **Year 1** had a very exciting day in Torquay at the end of term. They visited Babbacombe Model Village and Kent's Cavern. They enjoyed looking at the model houses and finding the Letterland characters. They managed to find Wally too! They were fascinated by the fire breathing dragon and the knights in the castle. After a delicious packed lunch, they then had a tour of the caves at Kent's Cavern. Terry, the guide, talked to them about life in the cave and they thoroughly enjoyed finding out about the different animals that lived in Torquay thousands of years ago. The sun appeared at the end of the day and they sat in the gardens to eat their ice lollies. It was a great day out!

## Life Skills

On Thursday 24th June **Year 6** went to a Junior Life Skills course at Tiverton Youth Centre. Many different organisations were there, including the police force, the fire brigade and St. John's Ambulance. We were split into different groups and went around playing games, or doing quizzes and practical activities to learn how to stay safe and what to do in an emergency. My favourite thing was when the fire brigade demonstrated a chip pan fire and flames went everywhere. It was a super day out!  
**Hannah Allison**, Year 6



## A Day at the Museum

The children in **Year 1** had an interesting time at Tiverton Museum at the beginning of term when they spent a day finding out about life in Victorian times. They experienced what it would have been like in a Victorian school. There were some very strict rules and the children were quite relieved that schooling has changed since then! They also had fun helping with a Victorian washday. They enjoyed using the mangle and grating the soap. They also learnt how to use the Dolly peg for turning the laundry. After the guided workshops, they had the opportunity to look at the artefacts around the museum. They loved seeing the Tivvy Bumper steam engine. There was also a great deal of interest in the man and animal traps that were on display in the poaching section! It was a full day and gave the children a great insight into what life was like for children one hundred and fifty years ago **T.N.**



*Left: Not to be outdone, Nursery 1 also stepped back in time at Tiverton Museum in June...*

*...and Year 2 enjoyed finding out about local history at Tiverton Castle in May: **Right.***





## Pennywell Farm

**Nursery 2** set off for their annual trip to Pennywell Farm in July. It was a beautiful day and the children were all very excited as they left school and boarded the coach. On arrival at the farm we were greeted by Julia our guide for the day who managed to fit in so many fun activities that the time seemed to just fly by. We managed to feed the goats and deer, handle a host of baby animals, including some beautiful miniature piglets, watch a puppet show and a birds of prey display, as well as go on two train rides and play in the play area. Oh, I almost forgot, we also managed to fit in eating our snack, our lunch and an ice cream of course! **L.H.**



## @Bristol

On Wednesday 7th July **Year 2** left Blundell's Pre-Prep bright and early for our trip to @Bristol. We had only just gone past McDonalds, Tiverton, when Ellie asked if we were nearly there yet! Once we arrived there was so much to see and do. Some of us headed straight to the television studio and had a go at presenting the news and using the cameras, as well as experimenting with backing pictures and sound tracks. Others started making their own animations. All the children got the chance to experiment hands-on, some looking at generating electricity using water, and others investigating how sound travels in air. Everyone enjoyed the visit to the planetarium too. After lunch the children participated in a healthy living workshop, where they made toothpaste and tested it against well known brands. We were all delighted that the toothpaste the children made removed the stains more quickly and easily on the model teeth than the shop bought toothpaste! Then Thomas was chosen to help demonstrate how intestines

get all the goodness out of food and it was a messy job! The children just had time to visit the shop and have an ice-cream before it was time to return to school. **D.M.K.**



## Blundell's Chapel

**Year 1** spent an interesting morning visiting Blundell's Chapel in April. Revd Hunt, the school chaplain, talked about the history of the chapel and about its different features. As part of their R.E. curriculum, the children had been learning about what happens in churches and it was useful to hear about how the school chapel is used every day by the Blundell's senior pupils. **T.N.**

## Park Life

**Nursery 1** went to visit St. Paul's Church in Tiverton, and then went on to feed the ducks, paddle in the pool, play on the play equipment and have a picnic in the band stand at Westexe Recreation Ground in June. This linked in with our topic of looking at places in our town. **D.McD.**



## Halberton Farm

**Nursery 1** went to visit Halberton Court Farm Shop to purchase ingredients to make their own lunch in June. These included sausages, bread, cheese, carrots, tomatoes, ice cream and strawberries – picked by ourselves! **D.McD.**





# Dartmoor Challenge



**On Monday 24th May Year 6 set off to the Kelly College Activity Centre for a week of team building, challenge, and fun on Dartmoor...**

## **Weir Experience**

The first thing that we did at Kelly College was the weir experience. We had to put on a wetsuit and jump into a pool of freezing cold water. Then we had to swim to a second pool and fall backwards into it! At the third pool we had to climb behind a waterfall but the current was too strong for me and pushed me away.

**Tom Adams**

## **Rock Climbing**

There was a choice of four climbs to do on Dartmoor, some easier than others. When you're climbing you don't really feel a fear of heights because you have to concentrate so hard to keep your feet in the right places. I really enjoyed the climbs!

**Charlie Brown**

## **Kayaking and Canoeing**

We went kayaking and canoeing on the River Tamar. The kayaks were for one person, and the canoes were a lot bigger and harder to move. Annabel and I shared a canoe but we got stuck at the back so an instructor had to come and rescue us!

**Grace Casely**

## **Trapeze**

You have to climb a ladder high up into the trees to reach the trapeze, then you clip yourself into the harness with a rope held by the rest of your team on the ground. When you are ready you have to jump towards the trapeze, and can hopefully grab the metal bar. Next you have to do as many pull ups as you can, before hanging upside down and telling a joke. Then your team slowly lower you down. I took off my clip and went for another go!

**Maxwell Berry**







## Residential Activities

Next you have to do as many pull ups as you can, before hanging upside down and telling a joke.



### Raft Building

Raft building was great fun! We used barrels and ropes to build it, and when it was finished we put it in the water and got used to rowing it. Then we had a competition which was to row across the river and collect different types of leaves. There were eight or nine people in our team, and our raft was the first to capsize!

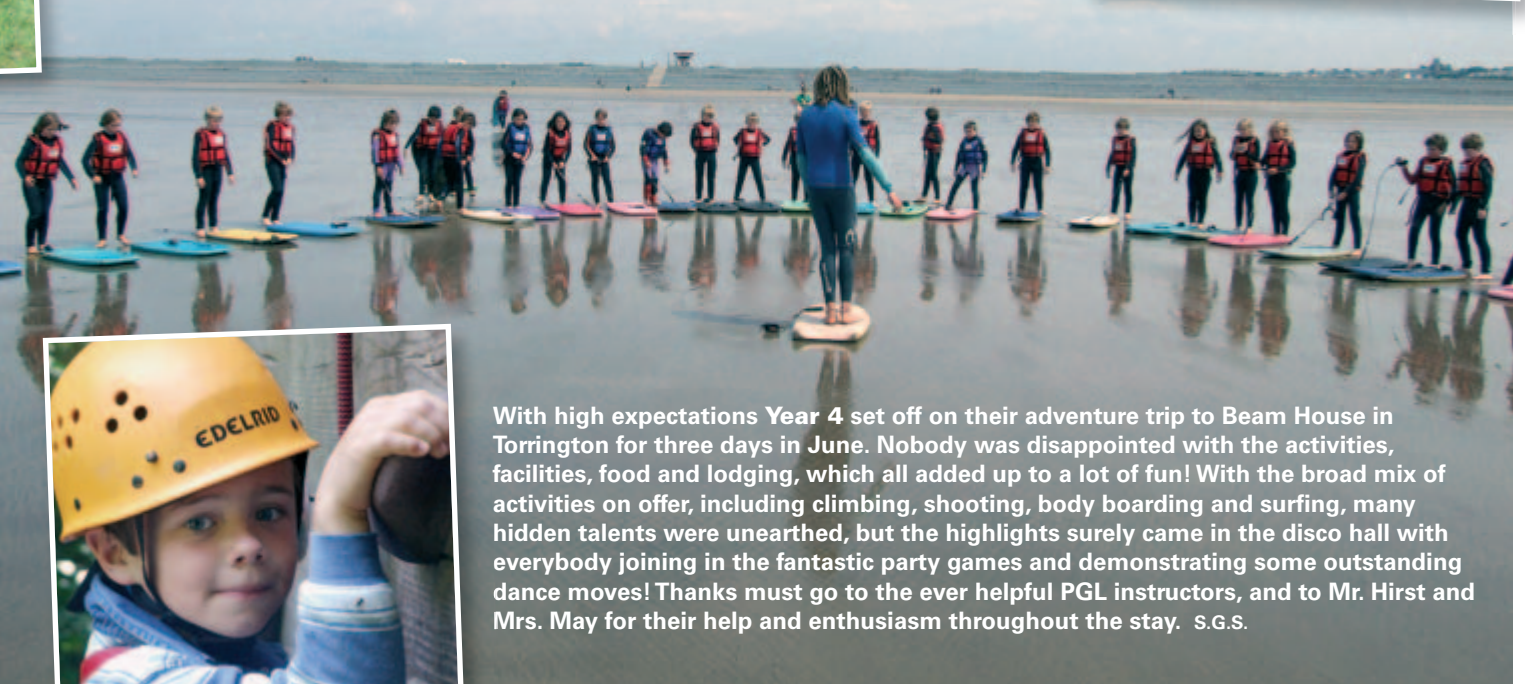
**Ed Blackmore**

### Abseiling

Abseiling was scary but I managed to do it! I waited at the top of the cliff on Dartmoor for what seemed like ages and it was really cold. When my turn finally came to go down I was absolutely petrified, but I was determined to do it. I lost my grip half way down and that knocked my confidence, but everyone cheered me on and I did it. Everyone had a great time abseiling!

**Hannah Allison**

# Beam House



With high expectations Year 4 set off on their adventure trip to Beam House in Torrington for three days in June. Nobody was disappointed with the activities, facilities, food and lodging, which all added up to a lot of fun! With the broad mix of activities on offer, including climbing, shooting, body boarding and surfing, many hidden talents were unearthed, but the highlights surely came in the disco hall with everybody joining in the fantastic party games and demonstrating some outstanding dance moves! Thanks must go to the ever helpful PGL instructors, and to Mr. Hirst and Mrs. May for their help and enthusiasm throughout the stay. S.G.S.



# DRAMA

Making a scene...

## The Litter Muncher



The **Kindergarten** children performed a wonderful summer play this term called The Litter Muncher. It told the story of the people in Lazy Daisy Town who left their rubbish lying around. All sang out beautifully and spoke their words loudly and clearly. They really looked as though they were enjoying themselves on stage!

## The Gingerbread Man

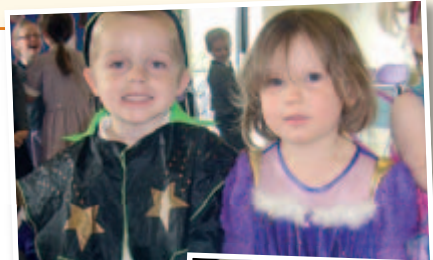
**Year 1** performed their summer play The Gingerbread Man in June. The children spoke their words with enthusiasm and energy. They sang songs and danced. There were also one or two solos. Luckily, there was a happy ending for the Gingerbread Man, who escaped being eaten by the farmer and his wife, his auntie, nan, many children, a dog, a cat, a cow and a horse. The play was superb and very much

enjoyed by all the children's friends and relatives!



## The Magician and the Princess

**Nursery 1** gave a wonderful performance of the story The Magician and the Princess in May. The exciting story involved a magician capturing a princess; fairies, firemen, mice and policemen all offered various bribes to the magician to release the princess but he kept saying, "No, no, no, no, no," quite emphatically. Finally, two children realised that what they needed to say was, "Please," which they did and the princess was released to the relief of everyone involved. All the children were very proud of their costumes and full of enthusiasm for the songs.



## Bella Bella Cinderella

This year **Nursery 2** performed Bella Bella Cinderella as their summer play. It was a very popular choice among the children who all sang the songs and spoke their words loudly and clearly. There were some very memorable performances by many members of the cast who really entered into the roles they were playing, particularly the Stepmother and the Three Ugly Sisters! The staff were kept busy too as there were lots of costume changes for them to manage. Now the only question is 'What shall we do next year?'



## The Princess and the Pea

*The Drama Club enjoyed staging an entertaining adaptation of The Princess and the Pea for friends and family at the Prep School in May.*



# ARABIAN Nights

Adapted by Dominic Cooke and directed by Mrs. Jeffs, Arabian Nights, with its broad selection of magical tales and well loved characters, including Ali Baba and his forty thieves, Es-Sindibad the Sailor and Abu Hassan who broke wind, was brought to life at Ondaatje by Year 6 on 7th and 8th July...

*"Putting on the Arabian Nights has involved a lot of hard work and effort, particularly learning so many lines. It was a relief to finally put the play on, and everybody involved was very pleased with what we had achieved."* Jonathan Lane, Ali Baba

*"I loved all the costumes, and I loved the actions we had to do for the songs, but the best thing about the play for me was the fact that it has given me more confidence in my acting."* Nicole Charles, Baba Mustapha

*"The best thing about the play was singing my solo on the first night. When I had sung my song I felt great, like I had really achieved something!"* Ella Davenport, Dinarzad

*"I really, really enjoyed the experience of doing the play, but the thing that shocked me was the amount of lines we had to learn. Everything else was amazing though, and the memory will stick with me for the rest of my life!"* Laurie Dawkins, Shahrazad

*"When I went on stage I was excited and when I saw my family in the audience I couldn't help but smile. I was having fun!"*

Grace Casely, Ali's Wife





# MUSICAL NOTES



For our musicians this term the main focus was the picnic concert in the marquee. However, earlier in the term we also had our tea-time concert, bursting with budding pianists and other keen instrumentalists. We also had a new event, which was quite a challenge for a small group of boys. Mr. Barlow, Director of Music at the Senior School, invited a group of boys to join with his Chamber Choir to sing for Evensong in the

Chapel. This involved the boys learning Stanford's Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis, as well as Beati Quorum Via. They had to meet regularly to learn the music, which was not easy, and experienced singing in four and eight parts. Singing this type of music was new to all of the boys, but I thought that they managed very well and hope that there will be more opportunities of this sort in the future.

## Associated Board Exam Results

### Grade 1:

Grace Belcher	Clarinet	Pass
Grace Belcher	Piano	Merit
Felicity Charlesworth	Saxophone	Merit
Alexander Davidson	Clarinet	Pass
Emily Farmer	Flute	Merit
Grace Labdon	Clarinet	Merit
Emily Mettam	Piano	Merit
Georgina Pitts	Clarinet	Merit
Tabitha Vause	Clarinet	Merit
Tabitha Vause	Piano	Merit
Georgina Wood	Piano	Pass

### Grade 2:

Hannah Allison	Piano	Pass
Hannah Carthew	Piano	Merit
Annabel Cox	Piano	Merit

### Grade 3:

Bethany Mettam	Piano	Merit
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### Grade 4:

Maxwell Berry	Trombone	Distinction
Harriet Nash	Flute	Merit

I felt that our Summer Concert in the marquee was a real celebration of all our music making throughout the school, and was thrilled by all the performances. With Year 6 having a large number of pianists, our enthusiastic piano teachers thought that it would be nice to include as many of them as possible, so we had three sextets, each playing on two pianos. Music that initially looks quite simple takes on a new dimension when six people are involved in its playing! Another new contribution to our concert was the parent choir, The Mamas and The Papas. I hope all the members of this group enjoyed the preparations and the performance as much as I did. New members would be most welcome next term! A huge thank you must go to all the children who took part in the evening, from Year 2 to our leavers in Year 6, and many thanks also to our visiting music teachers who take such trouble to choose great music and rehearse it with care and enthusiasm throughout the whole year.

Following our late night in the marquee, many members of the choir and orchestra also performed the next night in a short concert for the Ten Years Anniversary celebration. Harriet Nash and Maxwell Berry also performed. They have both taken Grade 4 Associated Board exams and passed, Harriet with Merit on her flute and Maxwell with Distinction on his trombone. For children of eleven years of age, on top of all their other commitments, I think this is a considerable achievement. Well done! **R.J.B.**



# LAMDA RESULTS

Congratulations to the following for their achievements in the London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art examinations:

## Introductory Award Preliminary Level

**Merit** Serena Hay, Jack Swain, Tom Greenfield  
**Distinction** Harry Charlesworth, Lily Mackay, Dominic Vause, Sam Willder, Sparkle Menzies, Freddie Johnston

## Speaking Verse and Prose Entry Level

**Pass** Archie Morris  
**Merit** Jack Klينenberg, Anna Rose Gabbitass, William Hall-Tomkin, Rory Bateman, Victoria Davies, Miles Lawler  
**Distinction** Tristan Cox, Rafe Oliver, William Spencer, Jasmine Mackay

## Speaking Verse and Prose Grade 1

**Pass** Alexander Thomas, William Curtis, Mayla Lee  
**Merit** Gus Gresswell, Maxwell Berry, Georgina Pitts, Clara Greenfield, Vincent Goodwin, Isabel Wright  
**Distinction** Luke Beach, Francesca Hartley, Grace Casely, Olivia Jolliffe, Felicity Charlesworth, Monty Crowe, Emily Farmer, Ben Stevens

## Speaking Verse and Prose Grade 2

**Pass** Jenny Prevett, Ed Blackmore  
**Merit** Annabel Cox, Ed O'Brien, Jack Lockwood, Nicole Charles, Georgia White, Ella Davenport

**Distinction** Hannah Allison, William Klينenberg

## Acting Duologue Grade 1

**Pass** Ben Stevens, Jack Watt  
**Merit** Clara Greenfield, Mayla Lee, Hannah Allison, Nicole Charles, Sam Maunder  
**Distinction** Monty Crowe

## Acting Solo Entry Level

**Distinction** Rory Bateman

## Acting Solo Grade 1

**Merit** Laurie Dawkins, Jasmine Mackay, Jack Lockwood  
**Distinction** Felicity Charlesworth, Grace Casely, Olivia Jolliffe, Emily Farmer

## Acting Solo Grade 2

**Distinction** Annabel Cox

## Using Spoken English Grade 2

**Pass** Jenny Prevett  
**Distinction** Ella Davenport

## Reading for Performance Grade 2

**Merit** Ella Davenport

## Mime Grade 1

**Merit** Felicity Charlesworth

## Mime Grade 2

**Distinction** Annabel Cox

## Devising Drama Grade 1

**Merit** Felicity Charlesworth

## Devising Drama Grade 2

**Distinction** Annabel Cox

S.K.J.

# Poetic licence



## Bad Brothers

Bad brothers banging buckets  
Bad brothers racing races  
Bad brothers bothering babies  
Bad brothers chasing cats  
Bad brothers attacking animals  
Bad brothers kicking kings  
Bad brothers parking puppies  
Bad brothers cooking cookies  
Bad brothers walking waist deep  
Naughty brothers!

Grace Chapman, Year 2

## Number Poem

One weird wizard  
Two twinkling tiger's teeth  
Three thorny thorns  
Four friendly friends  
Five feisty fighters  
Six straight sausages

John Bishop, Year 2

Are you a poet who wants to show it? If you would like your poem published here, please see Mr. Moore or any member of Newspaper Club!

## SPORT REPORT

# Rounders

## U9 & U8 Teams



All junior sides have worked with enthusiasm and determination to gain a better understanding for the rules and tactics of the game. This has been evident in their match play. It is

encouraging to see younger Rounders players demonstrating knowledge and understanding for the rules, and playing with great team spirit and support for one another. The U9 A Team are looking very promising for next year. Well done everyone!

**U9 A Squad:** Anna Rose Gabbitass, Tabitha Vause, Grace Francis, Jasmine Mackay, Kitty Harvey-Brade, Cara Read, Imogen Hamilton Green, Victoria Davies & Maddie Wright.

**U9 B Squad:** Isabella Fraser, Emily Mettam, Kiera White, Katie Martin, Rebecca Hamilton, Amelia Curtis, Olivia Charteris, Grace Labdon & Luli Mountbatten.

**U8 Squad:** Molly Cross, Sparkle Menzies, Amber Sharp, Zoe Labdon, Frances Hunt, Eve Hayward, Lily Mackay, Serena Hay & Olivia Rhodes.

## U11 & U10 Teams

It has once again been a busy season for the girls, with matches on most Wednesdays. The girls have worked hard in lessons and practised tactics in preparation for games. The teams have worked extremely hard to develop and improve their fielding skills. The U11 A Team played a tournament at Millfield, which was a great opportunity to play new schools. There were also two super matches against the Old Girls on Thursday 24th June, which were exciting and fun to umpire. **L.M.M.**

**U11 A Squad:** Alix Mountbatten, Summer Law, Laurie Dawkins, Arianna Folland, Tabitha Pring, Jenny Prevett, Eva Lloyd, Emily Curtis, Georgia White & Bethany Mettam.

**U11 B Squad:** Nicole Charles, Annabel Cox, Molly Horsey, Ella Davenport, Zara Cameron, Hannah Allison, Hannah Crookdake, Hannah Carthew, Olivia Jolliffe, Jessica Harvey-Brade, Harriet Nash & Grace Casely.

**U10 A Squad:** Georgina Wood, Georgina Pitts, Felicity Charlesworth, Grace Belcher, Emily Farmer, Isabel Wright & Bunny Masters.

**U10 B Squad:** Mayla Lee, Clara Greenfield, Mimi Hadley-Piggin, Imogen Usherwood, Maddi Parsons, Francesca Hartley & Faye Hayward.

Team	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn
U11	21	7	13	1
U9	15	10	4	1





# SPORT REPORT

## Under 9 & Under 8 Cricket

17 matches played in just nine weeks saw a feast of runs for the U9A's with all the boys in the squad scoring runs and getting wickets. Hard, fast, dry wickets allowed every age group to score runs freely and there were good results all round with wins for the U9A's at Stover, Wellington, Kelly College and Exeter Cathedral. Unfortunately we came unstuck in an early match at Millfield and lost the traditional hard ball encounter with Exeter Prep but the boys developed as a squad and learned to play as a team. Several members of the



B squad played for the A's which is probably why their end of term statistics don't look so good, but they worked hard at improving basic

skills and did at least win one match.

The U8's developed into a strong side as the term progressed, winning their last three games to show that potentially they could be the side to watch in the coming few years. My thanks go to Mr. Folland and Mr. Hirst for their team selections and coaching, and to all those parents who followed us around the peninsula this term. **S.J.M.**

### STATS

**U9A**  
Played 6  
Won 4  
Lost 2  
Drawn 0

**U9B**  
Played 6  
Won 1  
Lost 5  
Drawn 0

**U8**  
Played 5  
Won 3  
Lost 2  
Drawn 0

**U9 A Squad:** William Hall-Tomkin, Archie Hare, Alastair Johnson-Ferguson, Miles Lawler, Barney Titchener, Oliver Tribe, Jack Klinkenberg, Ralph Morris & Archie Murray (capt).

**U9 B Squad:** Rory Bateman, Charlie Cameron, James Lewis Paroussi, Jack Olive, William Spencer, Tristan Cox, Marcus Lloyd, Archie Morris, Rafe Oliver, Edward Olsen, Hugo Turan & Robert Wakem.

**U8 Squad:** Ben Gresswell, Joseph Horsey, Edward Jolliffe, William Usherwood, William Sawyer, Harry Charlesworth, Henry Dyke, Luca Kemp, George McIntyre, Jasper Pring, Dominic Vause, Theo Rees, Alexander Venner, George Cochrane, Jack Swain, Sam Willder, Tom Greenfield & Freddie Johnston.

## Under 11A Cricket

It has been a fine season and an unbeaten one for the U11 A team. This was a season that I personally enjoyed very much and I hope all the boys who played felt the same. There were four Devon County players in the squad: Monty Crowe, Sam Maunder, Jack Lockwood and Christian Cabburn. All played their part and all are potentially very good cricketers. They allowed us some control in most games. It was not a season of stars, however, more a season of pleasant surprises and the growth of some individuals who contributed extremely well in virtually all games. Charlie Brown thumped the ball to all parts, and hit three straight sixes on the trot in one game! Ed Blackmore grew as an all rounder, and Alexander Davidson's leg spin always seemed to cause problems for the opposition, as did Nathan Green's willingness to bat aggressively and with some consistency. Tobias Francis always swung the ball well and Ed O'Brien also bowled some fine outswingers. Others all chipped in and this was a real team effort. We batted first in every game and always scored more than 120 in 20 or 25 overs. There were a few highlights to mention, however. Sam Maunder was quite superb behind the stumps. He seems to want to stand up to everything. Christian Cabburn roared in when we needed him and took crucial wickets, Jack Lockwood always contributed with the bat as well as demonstrating some excellent fielding, and Monty Crowe took 5 for 2 against Exeter School, usually tough opposition. Well played boys.



The boys bowled fast and straight and hit the ball cleanly, running extremely well between the wickets. This was a competitive, talented and skilful team. Well done to all, and I hope those that leave us will continue to enjoy their cricket in the future. **N.A.F.**

**Squad:** Jack Lockwood (capt), Charlie Brown, Sam Maunder, Thomas Mortiboys, Alexander Davidson, Monty Crowe, Christian Cabburn, Nathan Green, James Tierney-Jones, Tobias Francis, Ed Blackmore, Archie Fraser, Ed O'Brien & Hugh Hamilton-Green.

### STATS

Played 8  
Won 7  
Lost 1  
Drawn 0

## Under 11B & Under 10 Cricket

This season has seen all Year 5 and 6 boys play for the school, in a mixture of fixtures against some highly effective batting and bowling sides, as well as a couple of new fixtures against local primary schools. These two matches were based on pairs cricket in mixed teams, and a great afternoon was had by all.

As with all cricket 'line and length' is of upmost importance in bowling and the team demonstrated some very good pace bowling. However, 'playing with a straight bat' was not always the case and often a big score was out of reach.

It has been very pleasing to see the development and success of many individuals who have gone on to play for the A team and represent Devon at county level.

Thank you to the many spectators who have come on many afternoons to watch some exciting cricket played by all! **S.G.S.**





# Athletics

## Quad Athletics

A team of seven senior boys and girls competed at Kelly College in a new and exciting event which consisted of each individual competing in a multi-disciplinary event comprising the 80m, 900m, Cricket Ball Throw and Long Jump. During a two hour period Blundell's competed against Kelly Prep and Plymouth College; all the athletes competed well and found being involved in all four events exciting. The team event was won by Blundell's with Ben Clarke and Laurie Dawkins winning the individual awards.

## National Athletics Championships, Birmingham

Congratulations must go to Laurie Dawkins, who produced two outstanding performances at the Nationals in Birmingham on the last Monday of the term. She won both the 100m in a time of 13.7 seconds, and the 200m in a breathtaking time of 28.7 seconds, breaking both her own school records by a significant margin.

## Kelly College

We also competed in the South West Championships at Kelly College, which is a selection meeting for the National Championships in Birmingham. We took a small squad of 8 boys and girls who competed superbly against 9 other schools. There were wins for Laurie Dawkins in both the 100m and 200m, as well as the Girls' 4x100m in which she was fantastic running the last leg of the event. There were a number of other excellent podium places, and in fact medals on the day totalled 18, which is a record number for the school in this event. The girls claimed the prestigious South West Champions prize, and the boys claimed 2nd. This event rounded off an excellent season for our athletes, with both Laurie Dawkins and William Klinkenberg being selected for the Nationals.

**Squad:** William Klinkenberg \*, Ed Blackmore, Thomas Mortiboys, Ben Clarke \*, Charlie Brown, Monty Crowe, George Hill, Tobias Francis, Jack Olive, Marcus Lloyd, Archie Murray, Jack Klinkenberg, William Hall-Tomkin, Joseph Horsey, Jasper Pring, Alexander Venner, George McIntyre, Laurie Dawkins \*, Tabitha Pring, Grace Belcher, Arianna Folland, Alix Mountbatten, Summer Law, Georgina Pitts, Nicole Charles, Grace Francis, Tabitha Vause, Jasmine Mackay, Anna Rose Gabbitass & Rebecca Hamilton. \*colours awarded



# SPORTS DAY



## Sports Day

Sports Day this year was postponed for the first time in I don't know how many years! Rearranged on the following Monday temperatures rose and the only worries were whether it would be too hot! A superb track beautifully prepared for the last time by Gordon, our retiring groundsman, laid the foundation for a near perfect afternoon of athletics, with the whole school competing at or very near their best. Laurie Dawkins once again broke the Girls' 100m record and produced one of a number of sprint doubles on the day, the others coming from William Klinkenberg, Jack Klinkenberg, Anna Rose Gabbitass and Grace Francis. One other record was broken by Tabitha Vause in the Junior Girls' Long Jump. There were a number of other excellent performances, culminating in a very exciting set of four House Relay competitions which saw Raleigh winning both the House Relay Cup and the Sports Cup. **S.J.M.**





# Fair Trade Theme Day

On Thursday 13th May the school cancelled normal lessons to hold a Fair Trade Theme Day. Fair Trade is all about helping third world producers to earn a fair price for the goods that they grow or make. Mark Haradon, the story teller, started the day by telling us the story of Brer Anancy the spider; he also told us about the Kuapa Kokoo co-operative who work for fair rights for the workers whose cocoa beans are used to make the chocolate we eat. We were then split into different groups and went off to do a range of different activities throughout the day. These included drama and role play, research and presentation, memory and sequencing games, learning songs and making cakes and biscuits in

the F.T. Room using only Fair Trade products. At the end of the day we came back together to sing the songs we had learned, and Mark told us a final story about a man whose greed made the sky fly away. Traidcraft products were available for sale in the atrium after school, and there was also an opportunity for our parents to come in to sample the Fair Trade foods we had made.

**Hannah Crookdake & Annabel Cox, Year 6**



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