

HEADLINES

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Autumn Term 2011 – October (2)

Northbrook Wrap (order deadline 21st October)

Only one week remaining to order your Northbrook paper, cards and accessories. The order will be placed with Northbrook during the half term and *will be delivered in early December, via boy post.*

Traditional Christmas Puddings (order deadline 14th November)

These extremely popular puddings made by The Ultimate Plum Pudding Company, are available to order again this year. In addition to the Traditional Pudding, or, as an alternative, a delicious chocolate pudding is also available to order. Please see the attached flyer. *Orders will be available for collection at the Coffee morning, Friday 2nd December.*

Events coming up...

Fireworks Night, Friday 11th November 2011 (advance ticket order deadline 8th November)

Many thanks to all who have placed advance ticket orders for this great annual event. Tickets will be dispatched via boy post during the next week. Advance ticket ordering helps us reduce administration on the evening and you benefit from purchasing tickets at the reduced price. Tickets on the night are an additional £1. See attached flyer with ticket order form. Please note that in case of severe weather or issues out of our control, there is a back-up date of Friday 18th November. Tickets purchased in advance are of course transferrable to the 18th.

Westfield Shopping Trip, Friday 18th November

Combined trip with Sutton High Connections. Please see attached flyer for further details together with an application form.

Máire Colohan

Chairperson, Homefield Association

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The Early Years' Unit

All the boys in the EYU enjoyed listening to the story of 'The Little Red Hen' and prepared us for our Harvest festival on Monday. We then proceeded to make our own bread but of course, not to harvest our own wheat! Thank you for all your contributions of food which I am sure will be gratefully received.

Another dynamic week in the life of Homefield. Last Saturday, the school hosted a well-attended assessment morning for places throughout the school and on Monday morning the whole school joined together to celebrate Harvest Festival. Grateful thanks are extended to all the Homefield family for the generous donations which are to be delivered to Sutton Homestart and Sutton Welcare, our two nominated charities.

Today is the 945th anniversary of the Battle of Hastings, as our 5th form executes its own invasion on the port of Boulogne on its annual day trip to French shores.

On Monday, after the Rugby World Cup semi-finals at the weekend, the boys will be making their own preparations for the rugby season with a visit from Opro who will be offering impressions for mouthguards.

Next week the school will also be celebrating Book Week with visits from Alex Keller and Rob Parkinson.

Parent Consultation Evenings

The Junior Department is hosting its parental consultations next week on Monday and Wednesday evening.

Parents of boys in the Senior Department will also have the opportunity to meet with their son's house tutor at the consultation evenings planned next week. Parents of boys in Bomfords and Ellis have scheduled appointments on Tuesday and parents of boys in Grays and Walfords will meet on Thursday.

Homefield Association

This Saturday we have the 2011 Homefield Photography Day taking place. For those who have booked a session, please be at school five minutes before your confirmed time. The sessions are being held in the EYU, so please use EYU entrance. A member of the Homefield Association will be on hand throughout the day. Photos will be available to view on the Penuel Photography web site from week commencing 31st October. *We hope you have an enjoyable session.*

Next week is Book Week and the Early Years have a story teller visiting us on Wednesday. There is also a 'dressing up' day on Friday where the boys may come as their favourite book character.

Our half term holiday is fast approaching followed by two evenings of Parent Interviews on the 9th and 10th November. The lists will be going up on Monday morning outside your son's classroom so please make sure you sign for an appointment.

This week in our Friday Forum these boys in Reception were awarded Student of the Week:

- Sufyaan Rehman** for showing a happier face at school!
- Edmund Ng** for having such lovely manners all the time.

Nursery Star Awards were for:

- Samuel Beukes** for always trying to complete tasks for himself.
- Sami Sullivan-Pena** for always being so helpful

Well done boys!

Mrs B Whiteway
Head of EYU

The Nursery

We have had a lovely harvest week in Nursery. Thank you to all parents who kindly contributed to the Harvest donations. Next week in Nursery we will be looking at being healthy. We will be tasting lots of different fruits, and finding out which ones we like. We are also going to explore Autumn further, and will be getting creative with Autumn leaves, colours and other Autumn finds.

Our focus number will be 6, our phonic 'n' and our colour table will be orange. Next week is also Book Week and to celebrate we are asking all boys in Early Years to come dressed as a book character next Friday (21st October).

Miss Woodley and Mrs Evans

Reception

Next week in Reception it will be Book Week. We will be reading our favourite stories and looking at our favourite characters. As a special treat on Friday 21st October, all the boys will be able to come to school dressed as their favourite book character! We will also be continuing with our Autumn theme.

In Literacy we will be recapping all the sounds we have learnt this term. We will be blending these sounds to form words and practising their formation. The boys will also be writing about their favourite books.

In Numeracy this week we will be recapping the numbers to 10 and practising their formation. The boys will be making pictures with 2D shapes and making repeated patterns.

Mrs Whiteway and Miss Waddy

The Junior Department

The First Year

The boys thoroughly enjoyed the whole school assembly for Harvest Festival. Thank you for all the contributions of food. We are looking forward to meeting parents next Monday and Wednesday evenings, in the school hall.

This weekend would be a good time to be thinking about your son's costume for Book Character Day next Friday. We will enjoy seeing all the outfits. It would be lovely if the boys brought in their favourite books to share with everyone.

Mrs Goodbody and Mrs Gunningham

The Second Year

This week the boys have participated in our whole school Harvest Assembly and we would like to thank all of you who donated food for the charities.

In our Science lessons this week the boys have worked together in pairs to research a planet of their choice. This activity has been a great success, demonstrating amongst their developing skills, the ability to share and communicate with others.

We have introduced the 5 times tables this week in our Maths. Next week we will test X2 and X10 tables and X5 will be tested after half term.

We look forward to meeting you at Parents' Evening next Monday and Wednesday.

Mrs Burgess and Mrs Connaughton

The Third Year

Another week has disappeared! The boys are enjoying their science topic. This week they have been able to examine a bone under a magnifying glass and made an observational drawing. In Maths we have been working on studying money.

Everyone enjoyed Mr Till's Harvest Festival assembly and participated enthusiastically. Perhaps a few more boys will try broccoli and leeks this weekend! Many thanks to the many 3rd year boys who remembered to bring in a harvest gift.

Mrs Dawson, Mrs Lyndham and Mr Medley

Homefield Heroes

1H Millen Sood for being thoughtful and trying his best. Well done Millen!

1S Pierre De Abreu for being such a helpful and kind member of 1S. Well done Pierre!

2H Yousuf Hassanali for excellent effort in Maths, grouping 5s. Well done.

2H Luca Shaw for excellent focus and effort in class with your work. Well done.

2S Aayush Patel for following instructions and being a helpful member of class.

3H Eshan Kesvani for improved organisation. Being a keen worker a well mannered boy!

3P Andrew Faris for being a real friend.

3S Zain Ahmed for a fantastic poster about Andrew Cooney.

3S Joe Cronje for great progress in learning his times tables.

Learning Resources Centre

Book Week

We are starting the week with a visit from the popular author Alex Keller on Monday 17th October. Alex has had two books published; 'Haywired' and 'Rewired'. He will be talking to all the boys in the Senior Department, Lower 4 to Upper 6. At the end of the school day there will be a book signing session and the books will be for sale. They cost £7 each or £10 for the two titles.

On Wednesday 21st October, the boys in EYU and Juniors will have a visit from Rob Parkinson, a very experienced storyteller. After school books will be available to purchase from £5.99 each with Rob signing the books.

On Friday it is Book Character Day and all the boys in the school will be dressing up as their favourite book character. In the past there have been some wonderfully creative and individual costumes.

Mrs K Merryman

Music

Trinity School Orchestral Day

Well done to all of the boys who attended the Trinity School Orchestral Day. They rehearsed *'The Good, The Bad and The Ugly'* and themes from Tchaikovsky's *'Capriccio Italian'*. These boys all worked very hard and they can claim a Headmaster's Crest if they present their diaries to Mr Mowbray next week.

- Patrick Smith L4S - Cello
- Tom Bradshaw U4H - Violin
- Leo Lim 5S - Violin
- Huw Shopland 5S- Violin
- Aston Barringer 5S - Clarinet
- Vivek Desai 5S - Percussion
- Samuel Smith 5S - Saxophone
- Jasdeep Dhingra 5H - Trumpet
- Jonathan Marsh L6H - Horn

Sport

Under 8s Football v Hazelwood Hawthorns and Aberdour

Year 3 boys in the A B, C and D teams had lots of mini football matches against Hawthorns, Hazelwood and Aberdour on Thursday afternoon. It was the boys' second games of the year and they all showed good effort throughout. The highlight of the afternoon was the 'D' team's victory over Hawthorns by 1-0 with Jamie Otehtubi scoring Homefield's winning goal. Callum Jopling was the 'A' teams goal-scorer in their 3-1 defeat over Hawthorns. Sahil Kohli continued his goal scoring in the 'C' team defeat against Hawthorns.

The results and goal scorers are listed below.

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| 'A' Team v Aberdour | Lost 1-0 |
| 'A' Team v Hazelwood | Lost 2-0 |
| 'A' Team v Hawthorns | Lost 3-1 |

Callum Jopling - fine shot on goal.

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| 'B' Team v Aberdour | Drew 0-0 |
| 'B' Team v Hazelwood | Lost 2-0 |
| 'B' Team v Hawthorns | Lost 3-0 |

The 'C' team played a longer game against Hawthorns and lost by 4-1.

Sahil Kohli was again, the goal-scorer for Homefield.

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| 'D' Team v Aberdour | Drew 0-0 |
| 'D' Team v Hazelwood | Lost 3-0 |
| 'D' Team v Hawthorns | Won 1-0 |

Jamie Otehtubi scored Homefield's winning goal.

Many thanks to the teachers and sports staff for their valuable help.

The next U8s fixture will be against Willington School on Wednesday 9th November at Homefield School. The start time is 11 30am.

Mr G Pearce

Petanque

The Petanque Club has a strange request which is for a used car tyre. If anyone has one behind a shed or somewhere, please could we have it?

This would be to practice drop shots. It is difficult for me to bring one in by tube! Thanks!

Michael Brett