



The Manor
PREPARATORY SCHOOL

CLUBS **Spring Term 2012**

November 2011

Dear Parents

We are pleased to invite you once again to choose all clubs and activities for next term. Attached you will find a timetable for school activities, details of clubs and an application form.

Music Groups

All music groups (including the choirs and orchestra) are ongoing. Please remember that when choosing after school clubs the choirs and orchestra are long-term commitments.

Hockey Club - Spring Academy

We will continue to offer Y5 and Y6 pupils who are keen on hockey with the opportunity to take part in the Spring Academy which will run 4.30pm to 5.30pm on Mondays. We are delighted to have secured the continued services of Mark Scarth to run our Hockey Academy on the Astroturf pitch at Tilsley Park in Abingdon. Mark is a Level 3 Hockey Coach and Senior Coach Educator and Tutor for England Hockey. He has coached all over the world and has extensive experience coaching all abilities from junior club level to National and International Squads. Hockey is an up and coming sport at The Manor and this is a great opportunity to be coached by one of the country's most knowledgeable hockey specialists. The Academy will be ably assisted by Mr Butler. We hope this will be the top priority for interested girls on Mondays after school. Girls will be transported there free of charge by the school and parents are asked to collect from Tilsley Park at 5.30pm.

Ballet, Judo and Tennis should be seen as long-term commitments for your child. Please include these clubs on the application form. There are places available in these clubs for anyone wishing to join.

Nursery Dance and Movement

These sessions will commence in the Spring Term and are suitable for both boys and girls. For the benefit of good coordination this class will concentrate on dance and movement. No uniform is required and ballet shoes are optional.

Languages

Chinese Club has been extremely popular this term and we are pleased to announce that we are able to increase the number of children in this club should your son or daughter wish to join. We also now have two Spanish

teachers and are therefore able to accommodate those pupils waiting to take up Spanish.

Drama

Mrs Belcher will be only be taking one Drama Club during the Spring and Summer Terms; therefore we are currently seeking to recruit another Club Leader so that Drama Clubs may go ahead. We are interviewing an experienced Drama Coach from Stagecoach who would then take the Y5 Drama Club on Thursdays. Please apply for this club as if it is definitely happening. If the new Drama Club Leader does not materialise we will notify you as soon as possible. There will not be a Y4 Drama Club because they are all doing their year group play.

Other New Clubs

We are excited to be able to offer some new clubs for the Spring Term including Golf for Y3-6. Tim Willcox is a Golf Professional working at Drayton Park Golf Club who will come here once a week to get you started on your way to becoming the next Rory McIlroy or Michelle Wie. For children in Y1-2 Fundamental Multi-skills club is a non-sports specific club based on the FUNDamentals of movement skills agility, balance and co-ordination. These skills provide a base for future all round development in most sports. Y2 pupils can join the exciting Myths and Legends club and for Y3-6 there will be Face Painting on offer.

Times and Prices of After-School Clubs

Unless otherwise stated, each club will run from **3.45 - 4.45pm for Years 1 - 2** and **4.15 - 5.15pm for Years 3 - 6**. Please see the detailed club list for prices.

General arrangements

Your child should bring a packed tea to school which can be eaten under supervision, when school ends at 3.30/3.55pm. Please be reminded not to send any food containing nuts with children for snacks or packed teas.

Children will be expected to attend every week and to complete the full course. The charge will be added to your end of term account. If there are occasions when children will have to miss clubs because of another school commitment, you will not be charged at these times. ***A charge will, however, be incurred if your child is absent due to illness or for any other reason.***

Should you require Extended Day for your child after a club (that ends at 4:45pm or 5:15pm) please let the Form Teacher know that morning. This remains free until 5.30pm with collection after 5:30pm being charged at £3.00 (NB late collection charge after 6pm is £10.00 for each half hour).

Filling in the application form

If your child would like to take part in any of these clubs please would you fill in the attached application form (one for each child) and return it to **Mrs Mulford** by **Tuesday 22 November**. Many of the clubs are restricted to a number of children and notification of places will be advised before the start of the Spring Term.

Please contact Mrs Mulford if you have any questions about the Clubs programme on 01235 858491 or gmulford@manorprep.org.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'G Mulford', with a small dot at the end.

Mrs Gill Mulford
PE and Extra-Curricular Activities Administrator