

The Manor Preparatory School

MANOR MESSAGES

Friday 30 April 2010

Super ESB Results!

Last week the girls in Year 3 and Year 5 received their certificates for their English Speaking Board exams. The girls all confidently presented their topics on a wide range of subjects. The poetry element was particularly strong this year as every pupil in the

school had learnt a poem for the Poetry Festival. As always, the children amazed us with their enthusiasm and skill as they recited humorous poems alongside more traditional. The children continue to show a real passion for speaking, listening and reading.



Many thanks to all of the parents who helped with the presentations and practised readings, talks and poems. Your efforts have been rewarded by the wonderful results and pride felt by the children in their achievements.

Russell King
Head of English

Reminders: w/c 4 May

Whole School	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Manor General Election takes place on Wed 5 May (6 parties. Speakers to see Mr Heyworth's PA on Tues 4 May with their slide shows) No school on Monday because it's a Bank Holiday - have a lovely extended weekend!
Pre-Nursery	<ul style="list-style-type: none">
Nursery	<ul style="list-style-type: none">
Reception	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wed 5 May RK Additional PE lesson Show and Tell – Eggs – Chickens, ducks and other birds Swimming for both classes this week
Year 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wed 5 May no PE for 1B because of Quantum Maths Theatre 10.10am–11.10am
Year 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wed 5 May the children will see a performance of "The Countback Kid" during the school day
Year 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wed 5 May normal swimming followed by the trip to Dorchester (returning to school at 3.45pm)
Year 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thurs 6 May French Reading and Listening Assessment
Year 5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tues 4 May 6.00pm Concert with Joby Burgess and all Y5 and Y6
Year 6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tues 4 May 6.00pm Concert with Joby Burgess and all Y5 and Y6
Sports Fixtures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wed 5 May Rounders v Chandlings (away) Depart 2.50pm Return 5.00pm U11, U10A and B Fri 7 May Manor Riding Lessons at Ambitions Sat 8 May 9.00am–1.00pm Badminton Festival Y3 and Y4 therefore no Saturday Netball Sat 8 May Rounders v Pinewood (away) U11A, B and C Depart 1.00pm Return 5.00pm Sat 8 May Rounders v Pinewood (home) U10 10 A and B Arrive 2.00pm Finish 4.00pm Sun 9 May U11 Oxford Junior Netball League at SHSK Meet 11.00am
Music	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tues 4 May Y5/6 Drumming Workshop with Joby Burgess. 6.00-7.00pm Concert to Parents in Main Hall.

Recent News In Brief...

On Saturday 24 April, The Manor was represented by an U10 team at the **High 5 Netball Tournament** held at Kingsmead Netball Centre in High Wycombe. Mrs Forbes said that the girls excelled themselves and they finished in overall 3rd place! On Sunday 25 April, The Manor was 1 of only 2 schools taking part in one of the South region's biggest **junior netball tournaments**. The girls finished 3rd overall, winning the Fair Play Award. Mr Heyworth said how impressed he

was by the girls' incredible netball skills. The **rounders matches** against Cheam were a great experience for our girls on Tuesday. Although we did not win any of them, they prepared us well for the games at Our Lady's on Wednesday both of which we won! Well done to all the girls who played in the **tennis match** against Our Lady's on the same afternoon. They had a very tight match and, although they lost, the girls made a very good start to the season.

On Wednesday 28 April we were delighted to welcome pupils from Headington Prep, Abingdon Prep, Caldecott Primary School and Magdalen College Junior School to take part in the second **Manor Singing Day**. The day culminated in a magnificent concert from the choir of over 300 singers presented to an audience of friends and families from all five schools. The singing was particularly powerful and moving.

The Year 6 trip to **The Globe and The Tate Modern** on Friday 29 April was a wonderful success

supporting the girls' work in English, Drama and Art. Meanwhile... Shock at The Manor! Mr Heyworth is very mysteriously 'robbed' in broad daylight of £25,000 cash intended for the girls. Thank goodness the **Year 6 Forensic Team** were available to take on the case. Fingerprinting, mud samples, blood samples and a suspicious white powder have been collected for analysis. WHO COULD IT BE?

Please also see the Latest News page of The Manor's website.



Notices



Years 3 to 6 If your daughter is unable to do PE or swimming for any reason please email Angela O'Rourke directly, aorourke@manorprep.org.



Pre-Nursery News Places for September's Pre-Nursery are filling up fast. If you haven't registered yet please do so at your earliest convenience. Karen Copson can be contacted on 01235 858462 for further details.



Library News Thank you to everyone who has sent in Box Tops for Books and Books for Schools Tokens. Both schemes have now closed, so I don't need to collect any more. I will let you know how many free books we receive when the totals have been verified. **Mrs Belcher**

Young Art Oxford 2010 'I REMEMBER'

10 Manor pupils' artwork will be on display at The Young Art Oxford Exhibition on Thursday 6 May 6pm (Prize Giving at 6:15pm) and Friday 7 May 10am- 6pm at the Oxford University Museum of Natural History, Parks Road. The exhibition is open to all. Money raised is in aid of Cancer Research UK. The funds will go towards their research into the genetic causes of cancer in children.



Lost & Found...

If you have lost any items in school, please do check the boxes outside Mrs Stokes' room.

Smaller items of lost property (eg glasses, watches, etc) are stored in the School Office. Please ask Mrs Rivers if you would like to have a rummage!

