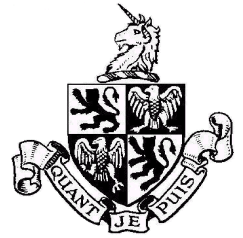


STONYHURST ST MARY'S HALL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents

I hope everyone returns refreshed after the half term break. We welcome back Mrs Grix and say fond farewell to Mrs Everitt.

On Thurs 26th Feb there is a meeting at 6pm for Ruds S parents in the Tolkien Library; a letter and reply slip has been sent out.

On Friday 27th Feb there is an informal social for the launch of FSMH at 6pm in the Tolkien Library (see below). I do urge you to support this initiative.

I will be writing to all parents about matters of registration, signing out and absence straight after half term and would appreciate your attention to this.

I wish all pupils and families a successful second half of term.

L A Crouch

FSMH

On Fri 27th Feb 6 – 7pm we will hold our first informal social to launch Friends of St Mary's Hall in the Tolkien Library.

EVERYBODY IS WELCOME – ESPECIALLY MEN!!

We have agreed that there will be 3 layers to the organisation.

COMMITTEE: this will drive FSMH and will be the interface with me, meeting several times a term

CLASS REPS: these are parents who are happy to represent a class and be the liaison person to communicate with parents in their child's class

MEMBERS: these are parents who are happy to be contacted to assist in any upcoming event

All others are automatically welcome to anything that FSMH organises, including this first evening.

We will make a few announcements in the course of the evening but if you would like to express an interest in any of these three named roles before then, please could you contact Jane Chitnis, the Acting Secretary, at jane@chitnis.plus.com

Ruds S are cleaning shoes for Children for Children on March 3rd. They'll need black shoe polish and a duster.
The rest of the school will need to bring £1 if they want their shoes cleaned at First or Second Rec.

"Go Bananas Day" Friday 6th March

All the children will be eating Fairtrade bananas, wearing yellow and hopefully entering the best dressed banana competition!

Pirates of Penzance Rehearsal Schedule

Mrs Swarbrick and Miss Allen would like the following cast members on Friday 27th February.

Pirates, Pirate King, Frederick and Ruth.

In advance of World Book Day, we thought you might want to take part in a National Reading Champions Competition. Children submit a photograph of themselves and their father, (or another male role model), reading in an unusual place. The reader with most unusual location receives a holiday in Sweden, and £2000 worth of books for the school library. The best will also appear on the Reading Champions website:

www.literacytrust.org.uk/campaign/Champions/JamesPattersonExtremeReadingChallenge.html.

Entries should be submitted to the Tolkien Library by March 5th 2009.

Chicken Pox

Over the last week a pupil has developed Chicken Pox.

Chicken Pox is caused by a virus which is highly contagious and can be spread by direct contact. Most children who are developing Chickenpox may develop a temperature and have other associated symptoms, such as tummy ache, headache or a loss of appetite. The incubation period for Chickenpox is ten to fourteen days before the pox blisters appear they remain contagious while un-crusted blisters are still present. A child who has Chickenpox should therefore not attend school until all the pox blisters are dry and healed.

Should you require any further information please consult your own General Practitioner.

HOME MATCHES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Sport</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>Kick Off</u>	<u>Opposition</u>	<u>Pick Up</u>
Wednesday 25 th February	Rugby	1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd VII	North of England Prep School Sevens See separate notices		
Friday 27 th February	Rugby	U9	14:00	Belmont Grosvenor	16:00
Friday 27 th February	Netball	U9	14:00	Belmont Grosvenor	16:00
Saturday 28 th February	Rugby	U10	14:30	Cargilfield	16:30

AWAY MATCHES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Sport</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>Kick Off</u>	<u>Opposition</u>	<u>Pick Up</u>
Wednesday 25 th February	Netball	U13B	13:00	QEGS	17:00
Wednesday 25 th February	Netball	U12	12:30	Casterton	19:00
Wednesday 25 th February	Netball	U11	13:00	Sedbergh	19:00
Saturday 28 th February	Hockey	U11 & U10	12:30	Arnold	15:15
Sunday 1 st March	Rugby	1 st VII	12:00	Malsis 7's	17:30
Sunday 1 st March	Rugby	Colts A VII	12:00	Malsis 7's	17:30
Sunday 1 st March	Hockey	U11	Check Team Sheet	National Mini Hockey Championships	Check Team Sheet
Sunday 1 st March	Rugby	2 nd VII	11:00	KEQMS 7's	Tbc (17:45 latest)