

# STONYHURST ST MARY'S HALL NEWSLETTER

## THURSDAY 18<sup>th</sup> March 2010

### ISSUE NO. 49



**Mass on Sunday at St Peter's Church 10am: All Welcome**

#### **From the Headmaster**

#### **End of Term Arrangements**

There are a lot of tired people – pupils, parents and staff – as we head into the final week of term. Congratulations to all for the many, many things going on in the classroom, in sport, in the theatre and elsewhere. Best wishes to those going to Rosslyn Park, Italy and elsewhere. Please note the following arrangements for the last week:

#### **Monday**

- Activities are as normal
- Day Pupils' sports kit will be coming home on MONDAY.
- Pick up times are as normal

#### **Tuesday**

- There will be no activities on TUESDAY
- Pick up times for Elements 4pm, for Figs\Ruds 4.30pm. Pupils who cannot be picked up at these times will be supervised

#### **Wednesday**

- Figures and Ruds pupils should come to school in football kit AND a full tracksuit
- Normal pick up times

#### **Thursday**

- Early finish for all after the Passion Service at 4pm

May I take this opportunity to wish all families a happy and holy Eastertide.

L A Crouch

#### **Asthma UK**

You will know that the SMH PE staff are running in the Edinburgh Marathon for AsthmaUK and as a tribute to William Magowan. Donations can be made at <http://www.justgiving.com/SMHstaffteam>

Mr Anthony Donlan, parent, is running the London Marathon for the same cause. Please consider making a donation at <https://asthmauk.tributefunds.com/fund/WGM+London+Marathon+-+Anthony+Donlon/>

I think it is fantastic that the SMH community is responding in this way and I do hope you will all consider this cause as a suitable Easter Donation!

### **Easter End of Term Reports**

As published in the calendar we will be reporting on all playrooms this Easter with the exception of Rudiments. Hodder House will receive Records of Achievement with class teacher reports as per normal. Prep, Elements and Figures will have full reports emailed out by the end of next week.

If you have not received your report by Monday 29th March, please contact Mrs Ashton ([t.ashton@stonyhurst.ac.uk](mailto:t.ashton@stonyhurst.ac.uk)) in the school office and a copy will be despatched.

### **Spoken English Afternoon**

On Tuesday March 23rd, there will be an afternoon of Spoken English, presented in the Centenaries Theatre. Selected pupils from Upper Elements, Figures and Rudiments classes will participate. Remaining Upper Elements, Figures and Rudiments classes will spectate.

*Parents may attend for all or part of the afternoon, but please be aware that seating is limited.*

The format of the afternoon will be, roughly, as follows:

1.55 -2.15 - Upper Elements: 3 minute talks on a topic of their choice. (Presentation to the winner)

2.15 – 3.10: Competition for the Eileen Clews trophy for poetry recital. (Figures and Rudiments)

3. 10 – 3.30: rec. (Upper Elements return to class)

3.30 – 4.40 – Award of the Eileen Clews trophy. Debates presented by SMH debating club.

### **EAL Pupils**

All EAL pupils have been issued with the relevant workbook to practise for their Cambridge exams in June. These booklets must be completed during the Easter holiday.  
Best of luck!

### **Rudiments English Studies; Easter 2010**

**Pupils in RM** should take English Independent Study Books home. Revision work has been set from this.

**Pupils in RW** should take Kensuke's Kingdom texts and study packs home. Revision work has been set from these.

**RL** and **RE** have been issued with English revision packs which they should work through over Easter.

Thanks.

### **Rudiments French revision - a reminder**

The topics for the French speaking test are on pupil resources along with some vocabulary to help you. Please make sure that you begin to prepare all four topics ready for the speaking exam.

Mrs Everitt

### **Upper Elements French trip**

Please forward the permission slips and final payment for the French trip to Mrs Everitt by the end of term. The centre has requested this information to be sent to them well in advance so that our trip can be planned for.

With thanks  
Mrs Everitt

### **Music Exams**

This term's music exams take place next Monday 22nd and Tuesday 23rd (Rockschool and Associated Board). The times and venues are posted on the Music Notice Board downstairs and at the main entrance. Each pupil has also been given a sheet. Any queries please contact me at [r.allen@stonyhurst.ac.uk](mailto:r.allen@stonyhurst.ac.uk)

Miss Allen

### **St Joseph's Penny Boxes**

Just a gentle reminder about the St Joseph's Penny collection. Please could people be filling them and returning them to school.

Many thanks.

### **Musical Instruments**

All pupils should take their instruments home at the end of term, except boarders with flights where this is not possible. The Music Department will be locked for the holidays.

Also, please could you ensure that your child's instrument case is clearly labelled before returning next term?

Thank you.

Miss Allen

### **Cake Stall and Car wash events**

Many thanks to all parents who supported the events on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2010. The events were a great success and raised £741.90p. The money will be used to support the Italy tour and a donation will be made to Asthma UK.

### **Speech and Drama Lessons**

After some delay I am now able to tell you that Speech and Drama lessons will be available from next term. There are three options:

- individual lessons at £8
- group lessons for up to 5 children at £5
- after school activity at £4

The individual/group lessons will mean being withdrawn from another lesson on a rolling programme. Pupils will be prepared for LAMDA awards. All lessons will take place on Mondays and Wednesdays.

If you would like to take up this opportunity please email either [d.price@stonyhurst.ac.uk](mailto:d.price@stonyhurst.ac.uk) or [m.shorthouse@stonyhurst.ac.uk](mailto:m.shorthouse@stonyhurst.ac.uk) stating the name of your child and state clearly which option you want.

I need to know **by the end of term and no later.**

## Hodder House

### Easter eggs-travaganza

Hodder House children are invited to join our Easter Eggs-travaganza on Wednesday 24th March. Please bring in decorated eggs, hats or Easter Gardens on Wednesday morning.

The children will display their amazing creations from 3:30pm for all to see!

Please note, this is not a competition, it's all for fun!

We will also be having our annual Easter Raffle in aid of Children for Children.

We need donations of Easter eggs, these will be gratefully received! Please deliver any to Hodder House by Wednesday.

Also, please send £1 in a named envelope by Wednesday, in order for your child to enjoy the fun.

There will be no tea-time club on Thursday 25th March due to the end of term. School closes at 4pm.

## COSTUMES – THE ADDAMS FAMILY

We will be starting to make costumes at the beginning of next term, and we would be very grateful for any assistance. If you would be able to help, please contact:

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## Home Matches

<u>Date</u>	<u>Sport</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>Start</u>	<u>Opposition</u>	<u>Pick Up</u>
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	Hockey	U13A & B	17:30	KEQM	19:00
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Gymnastics	All Ages	12:00	SMH Gymnastics Competition	15:00
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	Hockey	Boarders	8:30	KEQM	N/A
Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup> April	Cricket	1 <sup>st</sup> XI, Colts A, Colts B, U9	14:00 (tbc)	Packwood Haugh	19:00 (tbc)

## Away Matches

<u>Date</u>	<u>Sport</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>Depart</u>	<u>Start</u>	<u>Opposition</u>	<u>Pick Up</u>
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Rugby	1 <sup>st</sup> VII	Sunday 16:00	14:20	Rosslyn Park 7s	See Letter
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Hockey	U12A	11:00	12:45	Stanley Park, Blackpool	17:00
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Rugby & Hockey	U13 Teams	05.30 Breakfast At SMH		Italy Sports Tour	See Itinerary
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	Rugby	Colts A	10:30	12:00	Rossall Budge Trophy	17:30
Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup> April	Cricket	2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 4 <sup>th</sup> XI	10:45	14:00 (tbc)	Packwood Haugh	20:00 (tbc)