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Nursery, Infant and Junior School Newsletter



31st January 2014

Dear Parents,

Themed Out of Term (TOOT) Holiday Care Club – February Half Term



A reminder that we are now taking bookings in our Holiday Care Club (TOOT) for the February Half Term week. This runs from Monday 24th – Friday 28th February 2014 (5 days). The theme for the week will be 'Dragons and Daffodils' and there will be a range of exciting and creative activities to entertain and inspire.

The Holiday Club is open for 3 – 7 year olds in Nursery, Reception and Year 1 and Year 2 as well as their siblings, boys and girls. We also provide taster sessions for girls who may be considering joining Howell's.

If you would like book a place for the Half term week please email TOOT@how.gdst.net to express your interest and details will be forwarded to you.

The cost of the week will be £165 per child and this includes breakfast, lunch, all snacks and visits. Tea can also be ordered at an extra cost of £2.

Future dates

Easter 14 – 17th April and 22 – 25th April (2 weeks of 4 days)

Summer Half Term 27 – 30th May (1 week of 4 days)

Summer Holidays 7 – 11th July, 14 – 18th July, 21 – 25th July, 28th July – 1st August,
4 – 8th August and 11 – 15th August (6 weeks of 5 days)

Please note that TOOT will be open for the first 6 weeks of the 8 week summer holiday and full weeks of 5 days cost £165.

Welsh Phrase of the Week



This week's phrase of the week is 'Rwy'n dy garu di' (I love you) to celebrate Santes Dwynwen day last weekend.

Netball Results

On Monday, netball teams representing Years 5 and 6 travelled to Llandovery College to play the first ever sports fixture between our two schools. Having established this link we hope that hockey, tennis and rounders fixtures will follow in the future! Despite the long journey, the girls enjoyed the day and represented Howell's with distinction.

Well done to all who took part! Results as follows:

Year 6 defeated Llandovery College 8-0

Year 5 defeated Llandovery College 10-0

Mrs Baker

Nursery

'Kung Hei Fat Choi'! Happy Chinese New Year to you all. This week we celebrated the coming of the Chinese New Year. Each week we shall be employing a Nursery News reporter. This is our first reporter's account of our week: 'When we came into Nursery there was a red lantern with different writing on it and we used the computer to find out more information about the Chinese dragon and we made cakes and it's got white icing on it. It's really yummy and I really like the sprinkles. I did the dragon dance outside which was fun; I was the dragon! We have to decorate the house and clean the house for Chinese New Year too. The Chinese dragon has gone back home now he came to see the Welsh dragon for tea!'

The girls enjoyed hearing the story about how each year is named after a different animal. We made red firecracker cupcakes which we had during our New Year party. We enjoyed painting the dragon as well as making our very own dragon. We found out that 9 is a lucky number and we made hats with 9 red spots. We have enjoyed singing and listening to Chinese music and playing our instruments too.

Next week we shall be focusing on sounds 'sh' and 'l', as well as using 1p and 2p coins to calculate amounts in our shop. A new adventure also begins - to infinity and beyond!

Mrs Scott



Late Arrival

I have noticed that a number of girls are arriving late to school. When your daughter is late she misses the important introduction to the first lesson of the day which is usually English or maths. Your co-operation in ensuring she is at school by the time the morning bell rings would be appreciated (**8.35am** for girls in Years 3 to 6 and **8.45am** for girls in Reception to Year 2).

Open Afternoon

Our next whole school Open Afternoon, including the Nursery and College, is taking place on Wednesday next week from 1.30pm – 3.30pm. Everyone is welcome to join us, so do pass the information to anyone you think might be interested in visiting Howell's.

Kings Camps



The latest Kings Camps leaflet is available by [clicking here](#). Kings Camps brings together the very best elements of sport and holiday clubs to provide friendship, fun and exciting adventures for young people aged from 4 to 17.

Pitch In Update



Don't forget to book your tickets for our [Mumbai Magic](#) evening which is now taking place on Saturday 22nd March at 7.30pm. Tickets cost £25 (adults) or £20 (College students) per person and include dinner, music and a magical evening. You can reserve a table of 10 or 12 (by buying the number of tickets you require), or book individual tickets and join a table. You can buy them at the Senior and Junior School offices or contact Hannah Roberts on 029 2026 1825 or email hannah.roberts@how.gdst.net.

We very much hope you will be able to join us for all the events coming up before the end of the summer term.

- [Mumbai Magic](#) on Saturday 22nd March
- [Plant and Cake Sale](#) on Wednesday 9th April
- [Charity Golf Day and Gala Dinner](#) on Friday 9th May
- [Family Champagne Cycle Challenge and Barbecue](#) on Sunday 22nd June

You can reserve your places now for the *Charity Golf Day and Gala Dinner* and *Family Champagne Cycle Challenge and Barbecue*. Booking forms can be found by clicking the links above. For further information on all the events [click here](#).

Parents' Association News

The Parents' Association will be holding a sale of Second Hand Uniform on Friday 7th February, 8.15am - 9.30am and 2.30pm - 4.30pm. Any donations of uniform can be left in either school office, all proceeds will go to *Pitch In*!

Lost Property

- Isabella P (Reception) has lost her named three-in-one school coat and a school blouse.
- Ellora M (Year 5) has lost her named three-in-one school coat

I would be grateful if you could check at home over the weekend in case your daughter has picked up any of these items accidentally.

I hope you have a lovely weekend,

Judith Ashill (Mrs)
Head of Junior School