



# The Bulletin

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2011



## Top Trainer for IHS Equestrian Team

The recently formed IHS Equestrian Team is delighted to have secured Emma Lacey as its dedicated Team Trainer.

Emma has previously been Chief Instructor at Cranleigh School, one of the top equestrian schools in the country, where Emma took the team to the heights as Top English School at the Schools Championships at Hickstead. Emma also produces show jumpers to national level, having worked with John Jacks, former Chairman of the British Show Jumping Association. She also trains eventers to BE Intermediate standard. Emma was stable manager for the Calvert Trust, as well as Chief Instructor and Show jumping Manager for the Waveney Harriers Pony Club, one of the UK's biggest branches. Emma is currently Suffolk Area British show jumping instructor and

Sanctuary Farms Manager for Redwings. To find out more about our new IHS trainer, visit [www.emmalacey.co.uk](http://www.emmalacey.co.uk). The team now comprises eighteen talented riders aged between 11 and 16 years old, who compete regularly at senior level on behalf of their respective Pony Club branches. In addition, several of the girls are already members of British Eventing (BE), British Show jumping (BS) and the British Show Pony Society (BSPS). The team plans to compete at 6-8 competitions over the coming twelve months. For more information on the team, or for details on sponsoring the team, please contact [susiepeel@sky.com](mailto:susiepeel@sky.com)

### Monday 5<sup>th</sup> Dec

1pm Carols around the  
Christmas Tree

6pm Y10 Parents & Girls  
Meeting

### Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> Dec

4.30pm U18 Hockey v RHS (A)

7pm Christmas Concert

### Weds 7<sup>th</sup> Dec

Y12/13 Physics Students to  
A Level Physics Lectures

2.15pm U11 a,b,c Hockey v  
St Margaret's (H)

4.30pm U12 Netball v  
Farlingaye (A)

### Thurs 8<sup>th</sup> Dec

4.15pm U13 Netball v  
Farlingaye (A)

### Friday 9<sup>th</sup> Dec

2pm Nativity Performance

6.15pm Suffolk Food Hall  
Festival Performance

### Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> Dec

Y10 Bluewater Shopping Trip



# Woodland Pre-Prep



## Woodland Wonder

By Elisabeth Wood, Woodland Pre-Prep Manager



Last Friday was certainly a day to remember. We started by making some super handprints in clay, with local artist, Kate Reynolds. The girls were really interested in watching the process of getting the clay ready, making their imprints, and then seeing the plaster poured into the moulds. The handprints are on display in the Pre-prep – please come and take a look! To release some energy from the excitable girls in advance of the party, Mrs Corbett treated the girls to a fantastic session on the climbing frames, slide and balancing equipment. The girls were thrilled at the opportunity, and we look forward to seeing their skills developing on the apparatus. And then came Friday afternoon! What a wonderful, happy occasion. All our parents and guests had permanent smiles on their faces during the party, as they watched the girls play with their new guests, have photos taken with *Peppa Pig*, and feast on the delicious celebration cakes. More photos will feature in the next edition of *The Parliament*.



Getting back to the serious business of learning! This week, Mrs Ross has been enjoying working on numbers with the girls in Middle Pre-Prep. Mrs Ross has joined the Pre-Prep to cover a few hours whilst Miss Wood spends time planning and organising for the Pre-Prep curriculum.



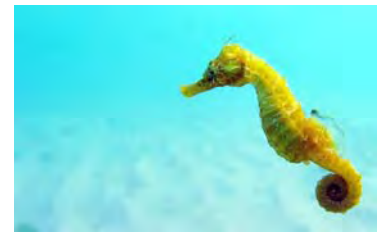
### Work of the Week

Lily MacNamara for listening well and having lots of fun in PE.



### Ballet Star of the Week

Maisie Searle for concentrating so beautifully in ballet this week.



### Swimmers of the week

Middle Pre-Prep: Milly Paul for swimming on her back and using back crawl arms.

Upper Pre-Prep: Tanmaya Ramachandran for good back crawl arms.

### Word of the Week



Please work with your parents and friends in discussing the word **Cowboy.**



Happy Birthday Lucia Pampinini



# Junior School News

## Fireworks and Festivities

By Eileen Fisher, Head of Junior School



Last Friday was such a busy day in the Junior School! It all kicked off with an amazing Year 1 Family Friday. Both classes told us all about the Festivals of Light and we learned about The Gunpowder Plot right through to Diwali. The girls produced wonderful art work, drama and music. Thank you to Miss Burroughs and Miss Reardon. We then enjoyed a super Open

Morning, and particular thanks and congratulations must go to Meg Gooderham and Matilda Griffin for their speeches, which they delivered to an audience of over 100 visitors, with calm and confidence. Our Year 5 pupils then took the prospective parents on tours and the glowing comments made me very proud. The girls remembered their 'mm' rules from last week's assembly! Finally, our special guest to the Woodland Pre-Prep party, Peppa Pig put in an appearance in the Junior School - even the oldest of girls couldn't resist a hug! It was a superb day of celebration. We are now in the throes of preparations to the countdown to Christmas, and I am very much looking forward to seeing you all over the coming week. I can't quite believe that we are in December already but I know the Christmas Bazaar will set me in the mood for the festivities to come!

### SPORT:

The U9 B Team travelled to their inaugural Hi5 Netball tournament at Ipswich School on Monday, where they played Holmwood House, Littlegarth, Orwell Park and The Abbey. The girls won one match, drew one, and lost three. They came fifth overall but were absolutely delighted to have the opportunity to compete at tournament level. Next week, we look forward to the whole of Year 6 playing against St Margaret's School, and the following week, all pupils will take part in their house matches on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> at 1pm. Please do come and watch.

## Work of the Week

**Year 1B:** Theodora Craig for excellent work on making some 2D shape pictures in Maths.

**Year 1R:** Harriet Dovey for working very hard.

**Year 2:** Ella Pitt for working hard on writing lists and instructions.

**Year 3S:** Alice Chambers for some fantastic work in Mathematics on fractions.

**Year 3P:** Georgia Pooley for her excellent effort in learning in tables.

**Year 4B:** Siena Claridge for her wonderful article on *Strictly Come Dancing* for her own IHS School Newspaper!

**Year 4P:** Sarah Stubbs for her excellent knowledge of analogue and digital time.

**Year 5T:** Maddie Shelley for being the Queen of Fractions!

**Year 5DP:** Holly Grueber for writing a fantastic poem about a knight, using her spelling words.

**Year 6H:** Annabel Lee for sharing her potassium permanganate with the class so that they could observe its amazing colour in water.

**Year 6S:** Molly Marshall for working so hard in all areas of the curriculum, always with a smile!

## Happy Birthday to:



Amy Parker, Katya Jones,  
Holly Perrin

## Last reminder for the Scholarship Deadline!

Note to Year 6 parents. The absolute deadline to register your daughter for Year 7 scholarships is on **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December**. Art Portfolios need to be submitted to Reception by midday on **Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December**, for short listing. Thank you for your prompt submissions.



### Word of the Week - Congestion

What does 'congestion' mean, when describing travel? Entries in by Wednesday please.

## Clean Smiles!



*Mrs Coggins, Oral Health Educator, visited Year 3 last week, to talk about the importance of brushing your teeth really*

*well! We all had a funny time comparing purple smiles!*



# Senior School News

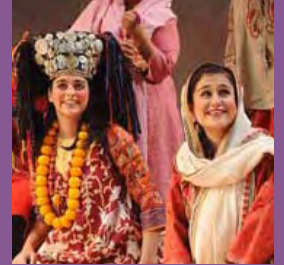
## Record Book Sales! *By Janet Every*



Thank you to everyone who took part in the Book Fair last week. We haven't finished counting up yet, but already, the sales figure has reached over £1200! IHS will now receive 60% of the final total in books for the Junior and Senior School libraries. Thank you so much. The turnout was fantastic. I hope you all thoroughly enjoy reading your new titles!

## Photo call for *Arabian Nights*

*This Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December, we are asking all the girls in the Senior School to take part in a photo shoot which will be used as part of the backdrop to the school Drama Production, Arabian Nights in February 2012.*



*Girls are invited to dress up in scarves and jewellery at lunchtime, with the assistance of Sixth Form Art Students, who will be on hand to make final adjustments and make up. We look forward to seeing an abundance of colour and jewels!*

Ms Bishop, Head of Drama will be taking part in a day of *Video in Performance* this week, using the techniques pioneered by Director, Katie Mitchell at *The National Theatre*. Ms Bishop will learn about how to use our new Green Screen Technology, with live feed in the production of *Arabian Nights*! Literally, watch this space!



IHS is celebrating, after receiving official recognition of our commitment to the Olympic and Paralympic Games. The school has been awarded a plaque and certificate to acknowledge our involvement in the London 2012 community; the *Get Set* network. To become a member of the *Get Set* network, IHS had to showcase student-led work around the Olympic and Paralympic values, via the dedicated *Get Set* blog. We look forward to taking full advantage of the member benefits, including Tours of the Olympic Park, and chances to enter exclusive competitions and win special prizes.



*Congratulations to the following girls, who have been selected for the JAC Suffolk County Hockey programme this year:*

**U13** Fleur Keeble, Lucy Knott, Flo McWhirter, Eliza Ross-Smith and Mary Sacker.

**U14** Ticky Elston, Kate McLeod-Scott, Alice Sacker and Ellie Tennent.

**U15** Claudia Bickers, Willow Bland, Ella Price, Tilly Thomas, Sophie Sunderland, Hattie Sunderland and Evie Granat.

**SPORT** : Last Saturday, the U16 squad represented South Suffolk in the County Netball Finals. We went into the event with a different starting combination than we may have expected due to injury to our two wing attacks. The first game saw us score a solid win over Framlingham 9:4. We then met Kesgrave, which was always going to be a competitive game, and in the first half, with passing lacking conviction, we found ourselves 3:9 down. But with a much more confident second half, we finally finished 6:11. Knowing we couldn't afford another defeat, we went on to conquer County Upper 13:4, and Sir John Lemon, Lowestoft 13:0. We knew Culford would provide our next big challenge having lost to them in previous competitions; however we settled quickly and played some sharp, skilful netball to win 13:5. We finished runners up and go through to the Regional Finals in January. This was an excellent squad performance, with all players taking the court. Particular congratulations to Charlotte Bray for her smooth shooting skills, with support from Jess Godfrey and Emily Robinson.

**Player Layers:** *For those wishing to buy school uniform sports base layers, please access [www.playerlayer.com/schools/ipswich-high-school-for-girls](http://www.playerlayer.com/schools/ipswich-high-school-for-girls) or go to [www.playerlayer.com](http://www.playerlayer.com) and search Ipswich High School for Girls.*



# Sixth Form News

## *Immersed in Art and Architecture*

By Christina Poppy, Head of Art



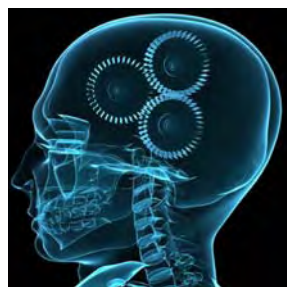
The Lower and Upper Sixth Art and CCS students visited the *Royal Academy* this week, to view the *Building the Revolution: Soviet Architecture 1915-1935* exhibition. The CCS students visited *Degas and The Ballet; Picturing Movement*, followed by a whistle-stop tour of *The National Gallery*. The Art students then went on to the *Saatchi Gallery* to see *New German Art*, the inventive work of *Pipilotti Risti* at the *Hayward Gallery*. All groups

then ended the day at *Tate Modern*, to see the amazing *Gerhard Richter Exhibition*.



## *UEA Psychology Research Project*

Each Sixth Former has been given an information pack following a presentation given by Miss Lizzie Button, from the University of East Anglia. Miss Button is conducting a research project within the Psychology Department into thinking styles and behaviour in young people. It has been fascinating for our students to hear about the work she has been doing, and to gain some insight into her career in the field of *Psychology*. As part of her research project, Miss Button would like to carry out interviews with mothers and pupils. It is entirely optional, but if this is of interest to you and your daughter, please do look through the information pack to see how you can help. Thank you!



## *Economics Conference*

By Meg Conway



On 25<sup>th</sup> November, six Sixth Form students went to Ipswich School for a series of lectures. The first lecture was presented by Jim Rollo, Professor of European Economic Integration at the University of Sussex, and Co-Director of the Sussex European Institute. He delivered a highly engaging lecture on the Decline of Western Economies. The second lecture on The Economics of Climate Change was delivered by Professor David Newbery, Professor of Economics at the Faculty of Economics, University of Cambridge. Professor Newbery is Vice Chairman of Cambridge Economic Policy Associates and an occasional consultant to the World Bank. After lunch, we participated in The World Trade Challenge, in which teams were given limited resources and funds to produce shapes of exact dimensions in order to make as much profit as possible. Having started with only £300, our team wasn't too confident, however persisting as a team, we finally brought in an £18,000 profit, beating 7 other schools and 12 teams (much to the dismay of the other male-dominated groups, who had openly expressed their desire to beat an all-girl team!) We then enjoyed a final lecture from Economist James Meadway, a PhD student in the Economics Department of the School of Oriental and African Studies, who researches risk and regulation in the financial markets. His highly alternative approach was intriguing and a perfect close to a highly enjoyable and very useful day.



## Last chance to clear out your cupboards for Xmas Charity!

Thank you to everyone who has donated items for the rolling night shelter for the homeless. We still need more single duvets, duvet covers, pillows, pillowcases, sheets, bath towels, good quality men's clothing and men's toiletries. Please do take this opportunity to help – **items are being collected on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> December.** Please mark any bags for the attention of the Marketing and Admissions Office in the Senior School. For any queries please contact [b.ross-smith@ihs.gdst.net](mailto:b.ross-smith@ihs.gdst.net)

## Ipswich High School Pianist Features on Olympic Mascot Film



Christine Tinker, Peripatetic Piano teacher at Ipswich High has written on her blog! *"I was born in an Olympic Year... I won't tell you which one... and my mother did, very briefly, consider calling me Olympia, so London 2012 has a personal resonance for me. The new Olympic Mascots film has just been released, with a screenplay by Michael Morpurgo, narrated by Stephen Fry, and a sparkling soundtrack by Thomas Hewitt Jones, performed by the British Film Orchestra and Voces8... and I'm the pianist!"* The film will be showing at Odeon Cinemas until December 23<sup>rd</sup>. Parents and pupils can catch the trailer on [www.youtube.com/user/london2012#p/u/1/IxKBrSfxexU](http://www.youtube.com/user/london2012#p/u/1/IxKBrSfxexU)

## In conversation with...

*Mr Paul Sutton-Reeves,  
Head of Economics and Business Studies*



**A book that changed me:**  
*'Catch - 22', by Joseph Heller.*

**If I wasn't me I would like to be:**  
*Taurus von Steeple.*

**If I wasn't born now, I would have liked to have lived in:**  
*Elizabethan times – I'd have got to wear a ruff!!*

**Favourite Film:** *The Diving Bell and the Butterfly - best film I've seen in recent times.*

**Favourite Building:**  
*The Midland Grand Hotel at St. Pancras Railway Station.*

**Favourite Place:** *My bolt hole in Brittany*

**Greatest Passion:**  
*As the airman said, 'Life's my abiding passion'.*

**Fondest memory:** *Brett Angell scoring for Southend United against West Ham United in 1993.*

**Greatest achievement:** *Bringing up my two children.*

**Best piece of advice:** *Items of advice tend to be truisms, but I'm rather fond of 'Life's not a dress rehearsal'.*

## Friday's Five

*Our pick of what's on over the next week*

- 1) Christmas Fayre at Jimmy's Farm,  
Sat 3<sup>rd</sup> – Sun 4<sup>th</sup> Dec – 10am – 5pm. [www.jimmysfarm.com](http://www.jimmysfarm.com)
- 2) Ipswich's Got Talent – Regent Theatre, Ipswich.  
Sat 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec – 2pm-4pm [www.ipswichregent.com](http://www.ipswichregent.com)
- 3) Beauty and the Beast – Mercury Theatre, Colchester.  
2<sup>nd</sup> Dec - 7<sup>th</sup> Jan 2012. [www.mercurytheatre.co.uk](http://www.mercurytheatre.co.uk)
- 4) 'Cool Yule' Christmas Market – Snape Maltings  
Sun 4<sup>th</sup> Dec – 10am -4pm. [www.snapemaltings.com](http://www.snapemaltings.com)
- 5) Mammoth Christmas Street Fair at Woodbridge.  
Sun 4<sup>th</sup> Dec - 10am-4pm. [www.suffolkcoastal.gov.uk/tourism](http://www.suffolkcoastal.gov.uk/tourism)

