



DEVIZES SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Pupil's Name: _____ Tutor Group _____

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Devizes School Website: www.devizes.wilts.sch.uk

Dates for the Week Ahead

Monday 27th January – 7.00 p.m. Main Hall

Sixth Form Prospective Parents Evening

Thursday 30th January – 7.00 p.m.

Friends of Devizes School Meeting



YEAR 7 – ROMAN STORY WRITING COMPETITION

In the weeks leading up to Christmas, Year 7 students were working at writing Roman stories in their History lessons, for a National Story Writing Competition run by a major publisher.

Some very interesting stories were produced and Year 7 are to be thanked for the effort they put in. Congratulations to the joint winners:

Bethany-Mae Phillips – 7JYR

Katherine Brailey – 7AJA

whose entries have been sent off to represent the school in the National judging. We wish them both all the best.

S W Hutchinson

MUSIC EXAM RESULTS

Two more late music exam results:-

Tara Nash, Piano, Grade 4 gained a Merit

Niamh Edwards, Violin, Grade 2 also gained a Merit.

Well done to both

A E Hodder

HOCKEY

Both Year 7 and 8 teams played teams from Stonar School in the first match of the season last Wednesday. They were hard matches with Stonar showing strong technique with the advantages of the astro. Both teams came 2nd but worked hard. Well done to all involved.

N B Craddock

Year 8 Hockey : Stonar School

This was the first match of the season and our team was a little taken aback by the efficiency and strength of the Stonar team. We were 6 – 0 down at half time but after a team talk our approach in the second half was much more determined. A goal from **Francesca Price** lifted our spirits and the final score was 7 – 1 to Stonar. Better passing of the ball and more confident goalkeeping by **Sarah Coombes** ensured we did not allow the Stonar attack to completely overwhelm us. Well done to all players.

A M Hutchinson

DEVIZES ALLSPORTS

Did you know there used to be boar and stag hunting in the grounds of the Castle?

Did you know two balloons took off from the Market Place in the early 19th Century only for one to crash and the balloonist to take refuge in the gas works whilst he was pelted with coke.

These are just some of the amazing facts contained in Richard Kibby's new book to be published in October this year on the History of Sport in Devizes from the 13th Century to the present day. The local businessman and sportsman has been researching the book for a number of years and will be coming to the school to talk about his book to the Year 12 'A' Level PE group as part of their History of Sport module.

Students may well spot their grandparents or great great grandparents in many of the photos that are included.

The book will be out in October but you can reserve your special copy now and get your name printed in the front as a subscriber.

It will certainly be a compulsory read for our 'A' Level PE group.

Leaflets to reserve a copy and be a subscriber are in Reception or can be obtained from Detour Menswear at 5 Old Swan Yard.

S E Marshall

DEVIZES VOLLEYBALL CLUB

Over the last 5 or 6 seasons Devizes Volleyball Club has produced some very good young volleyball players from Devizes School. These include Ross Harvey, Ian Gallo-way and Ben Bridewell to name 3. All 3 have represented Wiltshire in either the South-West Under 17's or in the newly formed Marverick's, who are a Wiltshire team competing in a South-West league.

The club is currently looking to recruit some new junior players to learn a very fun and enjoyable sport. The club trains on Friday nights between 6 p.m. and 7 p.m. for juniors (17's and below) and 7 p.m. and 8.30 for adults. Sessions cost £1.50 and the first session is free!

The club is fully affiliated to the English Volleyball Association and has two fully qualified and registered EVA coaches (Matthew Stevens and Sally-Anne Franklin). Training sessions usually involve a gentle warm-up, moving on to basic ball skills, tactics and finally into a game. Sessions are open to anyone who is interested in learning a new sport or taking volleyball a step further than school. We are a very friendly club that would like to encourage more people to take up a great team sport.

Within the club, there are opportunities to participate in junior tournaments, outdoor summer tournaments and a Wiltshire league.

If you would like to find more information out about Devizes Volleyball Club or how to get involved in volleyball please feel free to contact Matt Stevens on (01380) 828652, Mobile – 07751 427903, email: M.p.Stevens@btinternet.com or visit our website at www.vball.org.uk/devizes.