



DEVIZES SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Pupil's Name: _____ Tutor Group _____

No 809

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DATES FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday 17th February – 5.00 p.m.

Year 9 Options Clinic

Wednesday 19th February

6.30 p.m. – Governors' Meeting A2

7.30 p.m. – Governors' Report to Parents

Friday 21st February

Teacher Training Day – no pupils in school

The ski trip leaves, returning on **Sunday 2nd March**

Monday 24th February – Half Term until school returns 8.50 a.m. on **Monday 3rd March**

Thursday 6th March – 4.30 – 7.30 p.m.

Year 8 Parents' Evening

ANSWERS TO A SPANISH RIDDLE IN LAST WEEK'S NEWSLETTER

1. ¿Qué es lo que se moja cuando se seca?

Answer: La toalla

SPORTS NEWS

Rugby

Some dates to add to your calendar:-

Sunday 16th March: Yr 7 and Yr 9 Rugby Sevens at Reigate Grammar School

Wednesday 26th March: Yr 11 Rugby Sevens at Rosslyn Park

If parents who have their son/s involved could assist with transport this would be greatly appreciated.

Football

The nominated team captains are as follows:-

Year 7 – Luke Flower
Year 8 – Daniel Sainsbury
Year 9 – Matthew Penfold
Year 10 – Ashley Edwards
Year 11 – Nathan Moffat
Sixth Form – Paul Davis

M D Hammond

ANSWER TO MATHS PUZZLE INCLUDED IN NEWSLETTER NO. 807

There would be nine pairs of grandmothers and granddaughters.

This week's puzzler:

How many times does the digit 3 appear between

- (i) 1 and 50?
- (ii) 1 and 500?

9SNG



AUTHORS QUIZ

In the Library there is a photo display of top authors for young people.

Can you put a name to them all?

Competition forms are available from the Library. Return completed forms to Mrs Lee in the Library.

10p for each entry – proceeds to Comic Relief.

Closing date for entries: 20th February

Winner announced: 4th March

DEVIZES SCHOOL PARENT GROUP

Meeting held Thursday 30 January at 7pm

Present: C. Bassett, R. Wright, K. Dawson, H. Flower, V. Turrell, C Proctor, R. Clements, R. Stevens, C. Ellis, A. North, C. Callow, S. Tipping, K. Fleet
Mr M Knighton, Mrs C Stevens

The minutes dated 10/09/02 were approved

Mr Chris Callow and Mr Chris Ellis kindly agreed to take on the positions of Chairperson & Vice-Chairperson respectively and were gladly elected to those positions.

Mr Knighton announced that the accounts at present stood at £1,350.23 and this amount had taken into account the funding of the Year 11 leavers awards and that as previously agreed £400 would be taken to fund the Heads of Year awards & the Deputy Heads Cup. Mr Wright the Treasurer requested for information on how the accounts are administered.

A brief account was given of the meeting held on 21 November 2002 and in reply Mr Knighton advised that it was felt that the once termly meeting is to be viewed as a steering group and envisaged that smaller groups would go off and have separate meetings. Especially when organising smaller events these groups would be empowered to make decisions enabling the events to be organised without the need of referring back to the steering group. Larger events would obviously need to be discussed at the steering group meetings. It was agreed that there was a need for ongoing smaller events such as Quiz sheets at parent evenings for example. Perhaps the Parent Group could become involved in providing the catering at these school events, which would be a way of raising funds and also cutting costs for the school.

The request from Miss Marshall on behalf of the P.E Dept for the funding of a Digital Video Camera was discussed but deferred due to a lack of funds at this time and to enable further information to be sought.

EVENTS

A lengthy discussion covered a number of suggestions for forthcoming events:

Due to a number of concerns regarding the size of the event and the planning and involvement of the school it was agreed that the Sponsored Walk would be put on hold. If it was to be a big school event then perhaps the school should be the organisers, with the Parent Group assisting. However it was suggested that it would perhaps be best to avoid the same time of year as the Lions Club Sponsored Walk as many of the pupils would be involved in this and money raising potential and enthusiasm for both events could be affected.

It was agreed to hold a Summer Fair on Saturday 19 July. With a selection of stalls offering a variety of games/ items for sale and refreshments. A sub committee was proposed and the following put themselves forward for this task Chris Proctor, Chris Ellis, Victoria Turrell, Sally Tipping, Chris Callow, Cath Dawson, Ricky Clements and Karen Fleet. Rosemary Stevens kindly said she would run a cake stall on the day. It was pointed out to the meeting that plans must be in place to arrange for the collection of items from School for example Tombola prizes donated by pupils, this was duly noted.

A sub committee meeting was arranged to be held on Wednesday 12 February venue to be confirmed.

Fundraising events would be held on:

13 February at the Year 9 Parents Evening:

Ricky Clements and Chris Proctor (Karen Fleet to assist in setting up) Squares Game with Chocolate/Wine as prizes Ricky & Cath Dawson to obtain prizes.

6 March at the Year 8 Parents Evening :

Chris Proctor,Victoria Turrell and Alison North assisting with refreshments.

Cath Dawson & Rosemary Stevens to run Squares Game

20 March at the Year 7 Parents Evening:

Chris Ellis, Sally Tipping and Karen Fleet assisting with refreshments.

Chris Proctor & Chris Bassett (Chris Ellis to assist if required /swop over from refreshments)

A Parent Group social event was proposed for the 14 March at Kennet Social Club.

Mr Knighton reported on a questionnaire received from Kennet District Council 'How can we improve where we live?' for the attention of the Parent Group and it was agreed that a copy would be forwarded to committee members for them to read and answer and then return to school for a reply to be prepared.

The meeting closed at 8.45pm. Next meeting Thursday 3 April at 7pm in room A2

FANTASY FOOTBALL

It was another good week for strikers and another excellent week for **Michael Hardy's** team, 2 x 10 + 1 Hardy Dun. His 11 points now give him a grand total of 225 points, which put him 4th in the country. Devizes has a good record in the National competition, we have had a pupil finish in the top 20 in both of the past two years. Let's hope Michael makes it three years running!

Current League Status:

Manager of the Week: **Jeremy Wiltshire** 8AMH g.best boys 23 points
Leading Pupil: **Michael Hardy** 13DOR 2 x 10 + 1 Hardy Dun 225 points
Leading Staff: **Mrs Lucas, Crisis** 162 points

School League Table

School Position	Manager Name	Form	Points
1	Michael Hardy	13DOR	225
2	Mark Camacho	12DOR	199
3	George Dyke	8TJW	188
4	Mike Clark and Seb Hutchings	12SJD	185
5	Jeremy Wiltshire	8AMH	181

Year Leaders:

Year	Manager Name	Form	Points
7	Sam Kington	7TAD	170
8	George Dyke	8TJW	188
9	Tom Greenidge	9MDH	173
10	Delvin Keane	10MLS	159
11	James Squire	11GXH	177
12	Mark Camacho	12DOR	199
13	Michael Hardy	13DOR	225