



# DEVIZES SCHOOL NEWS



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A SPORTS COLLEGE

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## ANDALO 2005 - SKI TRIP

41 students from all year groups took the long journey to the Italian Dolomites for the yearly ski trip in February.

We arrived to stunning views of Italian mountains and fantastic snow and although there was a slight hitch with the hotel, we were soon all preparing for the slopes. The daily training sessions were physically exhausting but rewarding and we had the chance to regain our energy during 2 hour lunch breaks. The groups were divided up by ability and the small groups meant that we all learnt a lot. All who went on the trip found some aspects of it challenging but we always ended up feeling good because we were achieving so much thanks to the skills of the instructors we had.

The evening activities included ice-skating, swimming and of course karaoke, which were very enjoyable.

A big thank you to all the teachers who gave up their holiday to make this a memorable trip for us all, and kept smiling. Watch out for our pictures on the intranet soon.

**Jess Bryant - 11MJT**

## MATHS PUZZLE

**Solution to last issue's puzzle below:**

1	7	2	5	8	4	6	9	3
4	9	5	7	6	3	2	8	1
3	6	8	9	1	2	5	7	4
2	8	7	6	5	1	3	4	9
9	5	1	3	4	7	8	6	2
6	3	4	8	2	9	7	1	5
8	4	6	2	9	5	1	3	7
7	2	9	1	3	6	4	5	8
5	1	3	4	7	8	9	2	6

**This week's puzzle:**

		2	4				8
	8	9			4		
1	6		5	7		2	
8	4				2	6	7
7		3	6				9
6	5	9					8
	7	4	3			5	6
		5		9			3
2			1	8			

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### Dates for your diary.....

#### MARCH

24th Last Day of Term 4

Easter Holiday  
25th March - 8th April

#### APRIL

11th First Day of Term 5

14th Year 7 Parents' Evening

#### MAY

2nd Bank Holiday

4th Governors' Meeting

12th Parent Group Meeting

## **LITERACY WORKING PARTY FINDINGS!**

A group of teachers have been investigating students' perceptions of their literacy in all their subjects. We posed a questionnaire to a sample of students from Years 7, 8, 9 and 11. The aim of this work and other work we do is to improve literacy amongst our students. As a parent, you have a role to play too!

Literate students achieve highly across all their subjects. You can encourage your son/daughter to read daily at home, join and use the local library, give books as gifts, work on problem spellings from all subjects, discuss news stories, read yourself and provide a role model (particularly for boys) and encourage clarity in written work through punctuation and paragraphing.

Key findings from our questionnaire:

**“Sometimes I find it hard to find the right words to express myself”**

**“I think reading is important”**

**“My parents or guardians think reading is important”**

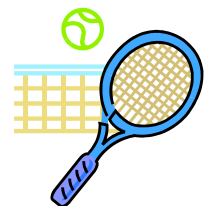
## LITERACY WORKING PARTY FINDINGS (Cont)

**“My parents, brothers and sisters read at home”**

**“I belong to Devizes Library and use it”**

## 18&UNDER COUNTY CUP TENNIS TOURNAMENT

**Victoria Scipio, 7JLM**, went away for three nights to Gloucester to represent Wiltshire in the above tournament. Wiltshire played well and beat South of Scotland 8 - 0, Channel Islands 5 - 4 and Gloucester 6 - 3 and won the tournament. Congratulations and well done.



I have been advised by the bank that The Tsunami Earthquake Appeal is now closed as they have received all the money they need at present. Please could you let me have all monies received to date for fundraising as soon as possible with details of where they should be paid into.

Thank you

Mrs R Breach



**Q**  
**Does it have to be fresh fruit and vegetables?**

**A**  
No. Fresh, frozen, chilled, canned, 100% juice and dried fruit and vegetables all count. Aim for at least 5 portions of a variety of fruit and vegetables each day.

**Q**  
**How much is one portion of fruit?**

**A**  
One portion of fruit is, for example, 1 medium apple or 1 medium banana, or 2 small satsumas or 3 dried apricots. A glass of 100% fruit juice only counts once a day, however much you drink. One portion of dried fruit counts, but other types of fruit and vegetables should be eaten to meet the rest of the 5 A DAY target.

**Q**  
**How much is 1 portion of vegetables?**

**A**  
One portion of vegetables is, for example, 3 heaped tablespoonfuls of cooked carrots or peas or sweetcorn, or 1 cereal bowl of mixed salad. Beans and other pulse vegetables, such as kidney beans, lentils and chick peas only count once a day, however much you eat. Potatoes don't count towards the 5 A DAY target because they are a 'starchy' food.

### YEAR 8 BOYS' INTER TUTOR GROUP FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

This year's event was a huge success, with nearly all tutees taking part. The tournament was a close run thing, with the final standings not being decided until the last games were completed. 8NBC eventually finished as champions after a goalless draw with second place VCM and SMG closely behind in third.

Very well done to all who were involved.

Results:	Tutor Group	Points	Goals: For	Against	Goal Difference
	NBC	13	6	2	+4
	VCM	12	3	0	+3
	SMG	11	6	3	+3
	HLC	10	10	2	0
	DCJ	7	2	6	-4
	SWH	7	1	7	-6

### YEAR 7 INTER TUTOR SWIMMING - 8TH MARCH

A packed swimming pool saw the races being supported and swum with great enthusiasm. A big thank you to Miss Day's Year 8 class who were time keepers, team managers and announcers. Your efforts were greatly appreciated.

Results:	Joint 1st Place	<b>AJH &amp; CJM</b>	6th Place	<b>MXO</b>
	3rd Place	<b>NAM</b>	7th Place	<b>ACM</b>
	4th Place	<b>JLM</b>	8th Place	<b>AEH</b>
	5th Place	<b>BGE</b>		

### YEAR 8 INTER TUTOR HOCKEY - 9TH MARCH

The tournament took place during lessons 3 & 4 on Wednesday 9th March and the standard of hockey has improved since the ATP has been introduced with quick breaks being the norm. Each team played each other and points were awarded for the result and for the goals scored.

Results:	1st Place	<b>NBC</b>	4th Place	<b>DCJ</b>	Well done to all who played!
	2nd Place	<b>HLC</b>	5th Place	<b>SMG</b>	
	3rd Place	<b>VCM</b>	6th Place	<b>SWH</b>	

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