



DEVIZES
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DEVIZES SCHOOL NEWS



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6th Form Basketball team rise above giants of Winchester College.

The Sixth Form basketball team beat Winchester College by 125 to 68 to gain a place in the quarter finals of the National Schools Basketball Championships. Having played Winchester in the same competition last year the team expected a tough game against a side with one player 7 feet 2 inches tall, making **Nathan Thompson** at 6 feet 4 inches look minute! However, Devizes started superbly well gaining a 7 point lead in the first 3 minutes. The whole squad kept to the game plan of intense pressure and fast attacking basketball. With **Stefan Gospodinov** being unable to play, **Harry Williams** slotted into the attacking guard role with ease and put the Winchester ball handlers under immense pressure. Excellent shooting from captain **Sam Ottaway** and **Matt Jones** enabled the team to take a 12 point lead by the end of the first quarter. Throughout the second period the team maintained their intensity reflecting their tough mental attitude and superb fitness levels. This consistency meant that by half time they had increased the score to 63 to 39. The end of the period saw **Joe Buckley** scoring yet another buzzer beating 3 point shot, a massive psychological blow to the guests.

In the second half **Daniel Lock** played some superb defence against the very big man and **Lucas Clements** shot with great composure. **Francis May** and **Nathan Elliott** gained valuable court time and showed the depth of the squad with contributions to the game play. Winchester failed to make any impression on the lead of the first half and Devizes ran out the winners by 57 points.

Many thanks to the pupils, parents and staff who watched the game and gave the team fantastic support in their last National Cup home game.

Scorers:

Nathan Elliott 2 points; Lucas Clements 8 points; Matt Jones 41 points; Harry Williams 2 points; Dan Lock 16 points; Sam Ottaway 31 points; Nathan Thompson 7 points; Joe Buckley 18 points.

In the last 8, Devizes travel away to play the winners of Capital City Academy (London) and Holy Trinity (West Sussex) for a place in the Final 4's tournament.

GOOD LUCK!

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Dates for your diary.....

APRIL 2008

2nd Spring Music Concert

3rd Y12 Parents' Evening
4.00pm

EASTER HOLIDAY

Mon 7th April - Friday 18th April

21st Whole school returns

23rd TD Day

28th April - Friday 2nd May
Year 10 Exam Week

MAY 2008

1st KS3 Music Concert
7.00pm

5th May Day Bank Holiday

6th - 9th May
Year 9 SATs

Mr Herring

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YEAR 9 SATs TESTS

Tips for the Maths tests:

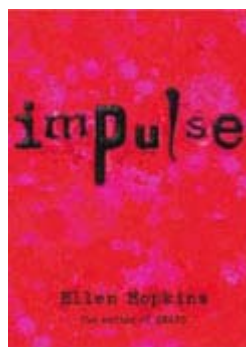
- Memorise key facts. Read the questions through right away and jot down crucial facts such as methods, equations and formulae if you're worried you'll forget them.
- Look for key words that tell you what to do. For example, if it asks for the product, you know you have to multiply.
- Show how you've worked something out. Even if your final answer is wrong, you'll get marks for calculations which show you understood the question.
- When you're doing a calculation, work out brackets first, then powers, then division and multiplication, then addition and subtraction.

Remember, algebra has the same rules as arithmetic. Try not to confuse an expression ($3n+2$) with an equation ($y=3n+2$). Never give the probability of an event as a ratio or as odds. The probability of an event that is certain to happen is 1. The probability of an impossible event is 0. All other probabilities lie somewhere between 0 and 1.

More tips to follow in the next issue....

NATIONAL YEAR OF READING 2008

(Another recommendation)



IMPULSE

Ellen Hopkins

Margaret K. McElderry Books/Simon & Schuster

ISBN: 9781416903567

Ages 14-up

672 pages

Three lives, three different paths to the same

destination: Aspen Springs, a psychiatric hospital for those who have attempted suicide. In one instant Vanessa, Tony and Conner each decided that enough was

enough. They grabbed the blade, the bottle, the gun --- and tried to end it all. Now they have a second chance, and with each other's help, perhaps they can find their way to a better life --- but only if they're strong and can fight the demons that brought them to Aspen Springs in the first place.



SUDOKU

Fill the grid so every row, column and 3 x 3 box contains all the letters 1 - 9

Solution to last issue's puzzle:

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

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

Wiltshire Wildlife Trust are hoping to recruit young people aged 13-18 for Edition Three of their 'Nature Calls' magazine, which is conceived, designed and written by a group of young people living in Wiltshire. It is a magazine for young people that seeks to tackle environmental issues from a young person's standpoint.



They are looking for editorial members, feature writers, photographers and reporters. Some of these roles will involve a commitment of up to four Saturdays during September to December and some of these roles can be fulfilled virtually.

If you are interested and would like more information please contact Felicity Harris (Youth Programme Manager) at Elm Tree Court, Long Street, Devizes on (01380) 725670.

**RESULTS OF THE PE INTER HOUSE TUTOR GROUP
COMPETITIONS – TERM 3**

<u>MANDELA</u>	<u>GANDHI</u>	<u>KING</u>	<u>TERESA</u>
<u>YR7</u>			
16 PTS	20 PTS	12 PTS	14 PTS
<u>YR8</u>			
24 PTS	34 PTS	32 PTS	34 PTS
<u>YR9</u>			
114 PTS	114 PTS	98 PTS	108 PTS
<u>YR10</u>			
148 PTS	142 PTS	136 PTS	132 PTS
<u>YR11</u>			
50 PTS	40PTS	44 PTS	52 PTS
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352	350	322	340

1ST

2ND

4TH

3RD

**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL HOUSES ON A
FANTASTIC EFFORT AND WELL DONE TO THE
WINNING HOUSE MANDELA**

Sports Relief

Running up the money!!



Congratulations to everyone who participated in the Sports Relief mile on Friday 14th March. The event was a huge success with a large part of the school finding inventive ways to complete the mile. It was great to see so many people taking part and raising money for a worthy cause. Special acknowledgement must go to **Toby Hodder** who completed the whole course on a space hopper! And **Kieran Chivers** and **Jack Boardman** who made extra effort, completing the course in stylish 118 costumes.

The organisers of the event, the Year 10 National Certificate group did an excellent job in making sure the event ran smoothly and all the runners were rewarded with their house points. They should be congratulated on their hard work and excellent organisation skills!!

The total raised was £897.83. Each house raised over £200 each, with Mandela raising the most with £229.69.

Thank you to everyone who contributed.

Mr Cocks

BADMINTON SUCCESS....

The famous four, **Will Butcher**, **Tom Bright**, **Matt Harvey** and **Jack Wicks** won more medals recently at the Mid Wilts Junior League.

This was the last match in this U17 league; they were previously unbeaten and came up against the only other unbeaten team Corsham A.

They were 4 - 1 up and cruising in the doubles before losing the last 4 games, 3 of which were singles.

They each picked up a silver!

The team played really well and hopefully some of them will get picked to represent Mid Wilts as a result.

Well Done!

John Murphy (Badminton Coach)
& PE Department

FREE GOLF FOR UNDER 18s

7 - 11th April 2008
North Wilts Golf Club

Registration & welcome pack
available at 10.00am on
Monday 7th April

FREE coaching every day!

2 Junior memberships to win

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