

Form V Paris Trip



The entire fifth form (11 boys and 18 girls) accompanied by five members of staff enjoyed a very successful trip to Paris last week. We stayed at Le château de Grande Romaine on the outskirts of Paris.

The trip offered the children cultural, linguistic and team building opportunities as well as being great fun. We went up the Eiffel Tower, took a river trip on the Seine and visited the Musée d'Orsay. The children also undertook an investigation activity based on Impressionist and post-impressionist painters. During a visit to a local market, the children had the opportunity to practise their French and bartering skills! They also completed a Town questionnaire in teams. Activities at the château included a camp fire, drama competition, making crêpes, abseiling, archery and trapeze. The children worked hard on their French diaries and have been able to finish them off at school. These will go into a club competition, and there will also be a prize for the best one. Disneyland was a very enjoyable fun day and, as on every day of the trip, we were blessed with fine weather. Many thanks to the staff who accompanied the trip; Mr. & Mrs. Smith, Mrs Howard and Mr. Southwick. All the staff appreciated the enthusiasm and excellent behaviour of the children.

S R Mount



Pre-Prep 1 visit Stoke Bruerne

Pre-prep 1 enjoyed a wonderful day at Stoke Bruerne canal museum on Wednesday. After a good look around the museum where the children hugely impressed the museum guide Pat with their knowledge, we went up the canal on the 'Indian Chief' to the Blisworth tunnel, looking at the other boats and the wildlife. After

lunch we heard about Sister Mary, the canal nurse in Victorian times, and how young children lived on the boats.... "The boat children weren't very lucky as they didn't have much food or go to school" commented Lottie. Dressing up as boat children was a highlight for many and they concentrated

really hard when doing their observational drawings of the boats. The children enthusiastically waved two boats through the lock and in return received many comments on how well dressed and beautifully behaved they were. We all agreed "It was the best trip ever!"

" I loved it when we did the drawing of the boats. I enjoyed looking at the real things from the canals in the glass cabinets in the museum. I liked it in the dark tunnel. The boat children weren't very lucky as they didn't have much food or go to school "



On Top of the World!

Form IV view the world's largest map of England and Wales! Over the last few days Bloxham School have been hosting a Geography Awareness Week. We were thrilled to be invited and Form IV attended on Thursday morning. While we were there the children competed in a treasure hunt around the grounds and, most exciting of all, they took part in activities using the world's largest map of England and Wales. The children found their homes, their school, their place of birth, their holiday destinations as well as other activities using place names and map symbols. This was a superb morning, the children were fabulous and our thanks goes to Dr. Evans who organised this unusual event.

J M Banks



Beachborough Association News

BRING & BUY CAKE STALL FRIDAY OCTOBER 7th 3.00 - 5.30pm

Dig out your favourite cake recipes and/or prepare to sample the fruits of other people's labours in aid of the BA! It was great fun when we did it last term, and little cakes (for instant consumption?!) proved particularly popular with the junior punters. If you would like to bake a contribution, please remember **NO NUTS**, as we have children with serious nut allergies in School. Contact: Juliewhybrow@beachborough.com.

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Beachborough Bazaar - 26th November

Save the date - November 26 – Christmas shopping

On Saturday 26th November, Beachborough will hold its biennial Christmas Bazaar which is aimed at local communities as well as Beachborough parents. This event, run by the Beachborough Association (BA), helps with three things:

- It raises money for the school; for example over £13K has been contributed towards the new computer room, nursery play area, musical instruments and the Astro pitch shelter
- It raises money for our chosen charity, which this year is helping a sports club for disadvantaged children
- And, with over 50 stalls selling a wide variety of 'not on the high street' gifts, it is a fantastic, hassle free, Christmas shopping opportunity

Over the next few weeks we will be asking for help with a variety of small things which really do make a difference to the success of the Bazaar.

Right now, we need your help to:

*put up a poster

Please can we ask you to help by putting up a poster where you live? A sign-up sheet will go up in the front hall next week

*donate toys

Toys in a good saleable condition for the toy stall are really popular. Please put your donations in the named box in the Front Hall and the Boardman

Oxfordshire Mathematics Challenge

On Tuesday four pupils from the III Oxford Maths Group went to Summer Fields School in Oxford. There were eight activities. In "Dominoes" you had to put the right number of dots on to the correct digits. In "Make 24" you had to make 24 out of five numbers by making simple sums but you had to use all the numbers. In "Shopping Spree" you had to work out the value of the shopping lists. In "Ordering numbers" you had to order cards but the numbers weren't allowed in the same places as their real value. In "Pentomino Rectangles" you had to make rectangles out of pieces of plastic. In "Calculating Snakes" there were lots of sums and then you had to write down your final answer. In "Fruit alphabet" the letters had a numeric value and you had to work out what the fruit's name was worth. In "Mystery Number" you had to find the number someone started with by having some sums. The groups were split into Stoats and Weasels. Beachborough came 13th overall out of 64 pairs. The weasels were Adam Loader and Zachary McComb and The Stoats were Amelia Thomas and Emma Davies. Each round was seven and a half minutes long and when the time was up you had to get under your table as quickly as possible. It was all great fun.



written by Emma Davies, Adam Loader, Zachary McComb & Amelia Thomas



Bloxham InterSchools Eventer Challenge 2011

This Event was held at Foxhill Farm, Eydon last Sunday and Beachborough entered a team of 4:- Sophie Tredwell on Harvey; Trajan Halvorsen on Tai; Molly Daniels on Freddie and Alice Wilson on Saxon. Freya Wilson also entered as an individual riding Danny. All team members were automatically entered as individuals.



This competition comprised of 4 phases; phases A & C roads and tracks; phase B steeplechase course; phase D show jumping and cross country. Our team entered the novice class which meant the height of all the jumps was between 2'6/2'9. Approx 14 teams and over 60 individuals took part in this class from all over the Country.

Each of our Beachborough members took on the Challenge with great enthusiasm particularly as this was their first and biggest competition most of our team had ever taken on! This was Trajan's 2nd year in the Team; Sophie was the youngest person to ever enter the Bloxham Challenge! Molly and Alice had new pony partnerships so this was a big ask for them! They all completed each phase in turn and got round safely. Our Team didn't get placed in the first 6 but all got rosettes for completing the course. Congratulations to Molly and Freddie as they came 5th individually out of the 60+ individuals taking part.

What looked like quite a daunting prospect last Saturday whilst walking the course – turned out to be a truly memorable achievement last Sunday morning! They can now all reflect on their abilities with a huge sense of great pride. A lot was learnt from the way the competition is run and nothing is more valuable than first-hand experience. I'd like to say a massive thank you to the parents and supporters who went through quite a few emotions as well!!

Gill Tredwell



U11/10 GIRLS 'A' Hockey Squad at Rugby School's U11 Prep Schools Tournament **WINNERS!!!!**



SQUAD:

1. Caroline Joy
2. Zoe Pollock
3. Carolina Hughes
4. Francesca Musson
5. Barley Calcutt
6. Gemma Blane
7. Siena Robbins (Capt)
8. Abigail Whybrow
9. Venetia Moir

On what proved to be an exceptionally hot and long, but extremely successful day, the 'A' squad set out from Beachborough at 9.00am with Mrs Smith and Miss Court. Following a warm welcome from Rugby school the girls were split into 4 groups and enjoyed a morning of top quality coaching, with girls from 9 other schools, from 3 ex-England internationals and 1 Australian international Hockey players. It was great to see the girls trying to use one or two of the skills they had practised during the afternoon's tournament.

The tournament started at 1.45pm. The 12 schools were split into four Pools. Beachborough girls played Laxton Junior (winning 7-0) and despite having all the play drew with Foremarke. However, based on goal difference, we qualified first in our Pool which meant we went through to the top tier of the tournament to play for the much coveted 'Shield'. Our new Pool included the two previous winners of the Shield. Nevertheless the girls remained undaunted and were certainly ready for the challenge. Our first match was against Spratton Hall and proved to be a real 'nail-biter'. Spratton went a goal up and Beachborough had to pull out all the stops to push forward and clinch a goal in the last two minutes for a draw. Kimbolton had a couple of really strong girls but Beachborough pulled together as a team to secure

a 2-0 win. Our final match followed immediately after and was against last year's Champions – Greshams. Despite the intense heat and some very tired legs Beachborough scored in the first 3 minutes. Greshams put our defence under tremendous pressure but we held firm and fought to keep possession up to the final whistle.

Carolina Hughes was our 'Player of the Tournament' for her consistent strength in defence and Siena Robbins was our 'top scorer'. However, I can honestly say that every member of the squad gave everything they had to contribute to what was a fantastic team effort. Medals and Shield were presented by Rugby School's Headmaster who complimented the girls on their politeness.

Another great day for Beachborough Hockey – well done girls. *J M Smith*



Forthcoming Matches - 5th October

Boys Rugby:

1 st XV v CCCS 1 st XV	(H)
U13/12 Wanderers IX v St Hugh's + Prior Park (tri)	(A) (St Hugh's)
Colts A v CCCS Colts A	(A)
Colts 'Taggers' v CCCS Colts C Tag	(A)
U9 IX v Swanbourne U9 IX -	(H)
U8 A ,B & C Tag v Great Houghton	(A) 2.00pm

Girls Netball:

U13/12 A,B,Cavaliers + Hammers v Linslade U13A,B,C+D (H)

Girls Hockey:

U11/10 A + B v The Grove U11/10 A + B	(H)	(astro)
U9 A VII v Swanbourne U9 A (coaching game)	(A)	

Results

*This week's results – **Weds 28 September unless stated***

Boys' Rugby:

1 st XV v New College U13 XIII	Won	52 - 22
Colts A XII v Quinton House Colts A	Lost	14 - 7
U9 A IX v CCCS U9 A	Won	6 - 2 tries
U8 Tag v CCCS U8	Won	7 - 5 tries

Girls' Hockey:

U13/12 A VII v Northampton High School U13 A	Won	11 - 0
U13/12 B VII v Northampton High School U12 A	Lost	1 - 0
U13/12 Cavaliers VII v Northampton High School U13 B	Lost	1 - 0
U13/12 Hammers VII v Northampton High School U12 B	Lost	6 - 0
U11/10 A VII at Rugby School U11 Tournament	Winners!!	
U11/10 B VII v The Carrdus U10 A	Won	4 - 0
U11/10 Cavaliers VII v The Carrdus U10 A/B	Won	4 - 0
U11/10 Hammers VII v The Carrdus U10 B	Won	3 - 0

Next week's amendments:

Boys' U13/12 Wanderers Rugby match at St Hugh's has been cancelled.

Boys' U8 Tag rugby at Swanbourne cancelled by them. Now rearranged fixture at Great Houghton 2.00pm instead.

Girls U13/12 Netball matches v Linslade is now against their U12's, instead of their U13's who are now unavailable, and may take the form of coaching games.

