



# Dunhurst *Friday Report*

4/11/11

Friday 4th Nov	JAW: Dr Paul Strickland—'Exploring time, creative opportunities in a time machine. Groups train departs Petersfield Groups train arrives Waterloo 'Bonfire Night	4.30—5.30pm 4.18pm 5.43pm 6.00 - 7.15pm
Saturday 5th Nov	Groups Drama Activity Train departs Petersfield Train arrives Waterloo	11.30—1.00pm 1.48pm 2.57pm
Sunday 6th Nov	Train departs Waterloo Train arrives Petersfieldp	6.30pm 7.37pm
Monday 7th Nov	Groups Play Week Blocks Author Week	
Tuesday 8th Nov	Childnet sessions with Group 3 and Blocks Childtalk: Pippa Green—Childnet	4.00—5.00pm
Wednesday 9th Nov	U11 A & B VIII Football v Meoncross (H) U13 A XI Football v Ditcham Park (A) U13 Girls Hockey XI v Portsmouth Grammar School (H) U11 Netball Tournament at Churcher's Junior School U12 & U13 Swimming gala v The Royal (H)	2.30—4.00pm 2.30—5.00pm 2.30—4.30pm 1.30—5.30pm 4.45—5.30pm
Thursday 10th Nov	U9, U10, U11 Swimming gala v Meoncross (H)	4.45—5.30pm
Friday 11th Nov	Groups play dress rehearsal to Blocks in the Well JAW replaced by lessons 7 & 8 for Blocks where possible The Groups Play in the Well The Groups Play in the Well	2.30pm 4.30pm 4.30pm 6.30pm
Saturday 12th Nov	FoDs meeting in Dunannie Library Groups ODW Activity	11.00—1.00pm 11.00—1.00pm



## *Letter from Jane...*

Dear Parents,

It is great to be back and to see that the pupils look well rested and ready for the second half of this busy term. There are lots of exciting things coming up, so do keep a close eye on your calendar to ensure that you don't miss anything!

Firstly, a warm welcome back to Louise Banks. She returns to Dunhurst after a sabbatical and it is lovely to have her back in our community.

I hope you all received my email regarding music at Dunhurst. Our thanks again to Debbie for looking after the Music Department at Dunhurst over the last two and a half terms; we all wish her well for the future.

I am pleased to announce that as from January, Nat Scott will become Head of Performance Music until the end of the academic year with Kathy Misson leading the department and overseeing the academic music programme. Nat has taught at Dunhurst before and is a Bedalian through and through. She is an excellent musician, teacher and a first rate clarinettist, composer and music arranger. I am certain that Nat and Kathy will be a formidable combination!

Bonfire night is rapidly approaching and we are hopeful for a clear sky and fine weather. More details on page 6. Our thanks to Mark for organising the fund raising sales at this event for HOPIT and to the FoDs for organising the event and all the refreshments. Don't forget to buy your tickets and all money raised goes to good causes.

The excitement is building almost to a quivering point (and that is just the teachers) in anticipation of the Groups' play. On Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November there will be two showings of the final work: 'Greeks, Gods and Gold, Stories To Be Told'; these will take place in The Well at 4.30 pm and 6.30 pm.

Each week we will be putting together information about the rehearsal times for 'Oliver', the Blocks production. Please take time to look at this and any help you can give your child in learning their lines, dance choreography etc in readiness would be a great help to the Drama team and the running of the overall production.

I hope you will come along to the Childtalk by 'Childnet' on 8<sup>th</sup> November (looking at the safe use of the internet for our children). There is also a session for Groups parents by Life Education (which is linked with our PSHE programme) on 15<sup>th</sup> November. More details on page 6.

Do please read Alan's message on page 9 about evening pick up arrangements. The darker and colder evenings are now upon us and therefore we need to ensure the safety of our pupils.

Please may I remind parents that they may not enter the boarding accommodation unless permission is gained from a member of the boarding team. This is to avoid any embarrassment for our resident staff and pupils and to ensure the safety and security of our boarding houses. I thank you in advance for your cooperation with this.

I look forward to seeing you at the Bonfire event tonight. It should be a really great community occasion, so do join us if you can.

*Jane*



# What's going on ...

## Train Arrangements

### Friday 4<sup>th</sup> November

Depart Petersfield 4:18pm                      Arrive Waterloo 5:43pm

### Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> November

Depart Petersfield 1:48pm                      Arrive Waterloo 2:57pm

### Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> November

Depart Waterloo 6:30pm                      Arrive Petersfield 7:37pm

Gaps Duty Mobile Number 07827478489

## **Groups Play in a Week**

For the fifth year running, next week, the Groups will be attempting to put on a play from start to finish in a week. Children will bring scripts home today to learn their parts over the weekend, and then go into a week of fun and focussed rehearsals and preparations so that they can perform their show on Friday afternoon/evening.

With careful timetabling most lessons continue as usual, it is a full on week but certainly one children tend to remember as one of the highlights of their year.

Children have drawn the designs for a t-shirt and they will all be given on Monday. It will be great if they want to wear them throughout the week and we may use them for the performance. There will be a charge of £5 put on your bill to contribute to the cost of these.

Please do make a note in your diaries to come and watch one of the performances next Friday

**Invitation to attend a performance of  
Greeks, Gods and Gold - Stories To Be Told.  
The Groups Play 2011  
In the Well  
Friday 11th November  
1st performance 4.30pm  
2nd performance 6.30pm**

## **Reading Lists 2011/12**

Pupils in the Blocks have already received their own copy.

Any parent wishing a reading list for their child's year group please email Angela (librarian)  
amowat@bedales.org.uk

These are purely a guide to help children choose an appropriate book.

If your child needs any more help in choosing a book please don't hesitate to contact their English teacher, Angela or Amy (awilson@bedales.org.uk).



# What's going on ...



# BOOK FAIR!

Dear Parents and Pupils

I am pleased to announce that a Book Fair by the Travelling Book Company will be in school on the following dates:

**Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2011 until Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2011**

Children can view/purchase the books at the following times:

Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> November	-	Lunchtime	Groups 1.00-1.30pm/Blocks 1.30-2.00pm
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> November	-	Lunchtime	Groups 1.00-1.30pm/Blocks 1.30-2.00pm
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> November	-	Lunchtime	Groups 1.00-1.30pm/Blocks 1.30-2.00pm
Tuesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> November	-	Lunchtime	Groups 1.00-1.30pm/Blocks 1.30-2.00pm

Christmas is fast approaching so it might be nice to buy a gift for a family member or friend! This is an excellent opportunity to introduce the children to a wide and varied range of good quality books. At the same time, you will also be helping the school to receive a selection of new books for the library and classrooms, through the commission we earn on each book sold.

**I do not accept cash** as the book fairs are very busy, therefore, the value of any books the children purchase will be added to your bill. **Please can you authorise the amount your child can spend by simply filling in the form below and return to me. Your child does not have to spend the full amount you have authorised and only the actual amount spent will be put onto your bill.** If it is easier for you, please e-mail the amount your child is allowed to spend to [amowat@bedales.org.uk](mailto:amowat@bedales.org.uk). Please ensure all slips are returned by **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2011**. **Please be aware that unless I receive an authorised slip or e-mail, your child will not be able to buy any books.** Many thanks.

Please come and visit the Book Fair to see the complete range of books available.

I look forward to seeing you!

Angela (Librarian)

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## **BOOK FAIR REPLY SLIP**



**I AUTHORISE MY CHILD .....** (NAME)

**CLASS ..... TO SPEND £ ..... AT THE BOOK FAIR**

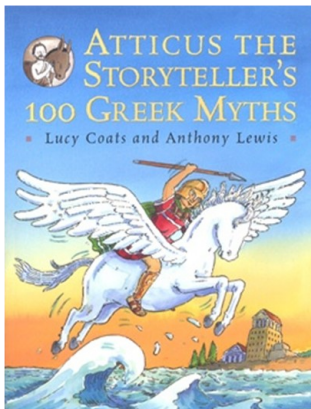
**SIGNED .....**



# What's going on ...

## Music Rehearsals for next week for Oliver

Dance/Sing/ Act	Time (in Well with Rosie, Kathy, Simon)	Participants:	Musicians	Time (music dept with Nat)	Participants:
<b>Mon 7<sup>th</sup> Nov</b>					
Pick a Pocket or 2	6-7pm	Quito, Theo, Imogen de L, Barney W, Toby A, Ben A, all of Fagin's Gang	Pick a Pocket  I'd Do Anything	6-6.30pm  6.30-7pm	Tara, Toria, Finn, Ellie E  Ellie R, Ed A, Molly G, Flissy, Anna B, Joe S, Tristan, Ben
I'd Do Anything	7-7.30pm	Antonia, Alia, Fagin's Gang			
<b>Tues 8<sup>th</sup> Nov</b>					
Boy for Sale I Shall Scream	5.45-6.15pm	Stella, Noah (music dept)	Boy for Sale	6 - 6.30pm	Tara, Finn, Toria, Ellie E, Antonia, Julia N, Rachel F, Ben, Molly G
Who Will Buy?	6.15-7pm	Leo, all work- house / London- ers	Who Will Buy?	6.30 - 7	Flissy, Pippa, Ben, Tristan, Ellie E, Antonia, Molly B  Julia N, Rachel F, Molly G
Reviewing the Sit	7-7.30	Quito, Theo, Fagin's Gang			



### Lucy Coats – author visit during Groups' Play Week

During the Groups' Play Week, award-winning author Lucy Coats will be visiting the school. Lucy has retold the Greek myths on which I have based the plays, and she will be talking to the children about the inspiration for her work. Afterwards copies of her books will be on sale. If your child is allowed to purchase a book please could you sign the consent form below and return it to reception. - Simon

Child's name: .....Class..... has my permission to buy a book written by Lucy Coats, children's author, on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> November.

Signed.....



## *What's going on ...*

### **CHILDNET SESSIONS FOR GROUPS & BLOCKS AND**

#### **CHILDNET WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS – TUESDAY 8 NOVEMBER**

Lindsay Bower from Childnet is coming to talk to Group 3 and Blocks re internet safety on Tuesday. These sessions will be followed by a parents' workshop from **4 – 5 pm** in the Humanities Room on internet safety.

Childnet's mission statement is 'To make the internet a great and safe place for children'. Childnet ([www.childnet.com](http://www.childnet.com)) is the UK Safer Internet Centre and works with government, online industry, adults and children; they are experts in the field of online and mobile safety education. We highly recommend that you attend this seminar.

### **LIFE EDUCATION**

#### **Monday 14th— Wednesday 16th November**

Life Education are visiting Dunhurst and Dunnanie on Monday 14 – Wed 16 Nov. Life Education is a charity providing health and drug education support to schools. They bring a specially equipped classroom which provides an unforgettable experience for the children whilst contributing to our Personal, Social, Health & Citizenship curriculum. Group 1's programme is 'It's Great To Be Me', Group 2's 'Friends' and Group 3 'Decisions'.

There will be a session for Dunhurst Groups parents that will now take place at **8.45 – 9.30 am** on **Tuesday 15 November**. It would be helpful for us to know the number of you likely to attend to arrange a suitable venue so please could you e-mail [atudor@bedales.org.uk](mailto:atudor@bedales.org.uk) to let us know. Kate

### **BONFIRE NIGHT**

We will be following a similar format to last year with children attending the fireworks being fed at 5.30 pm in the dining room and being brought out to meet their parents outside the MFL building at 6 pm before the bonfire and fireworks are lit.

We expect all children wishing to attend (who are not boarding on Friday evening) to be accompanied by their parents. If your child is not attending the fireworks, pick up will be at 5.30 pm, as normal.

We will be talking to the children at assembly tomorrow about their safety. Please help us by keeping a close eye on your child and any younger siblings on the night.

Please stay behind the rope at all times.

Please walk calmly around the area.

Please do not use sparklers.

### **Friends of Dunhurst**

**Check out for any updates on the Friends of Dunhurst notice board link.**

<http://www.bedales.org.uk/friends-of-dunhurst/noticeboard/>



# What's going on ...

## Operation Christmas Child

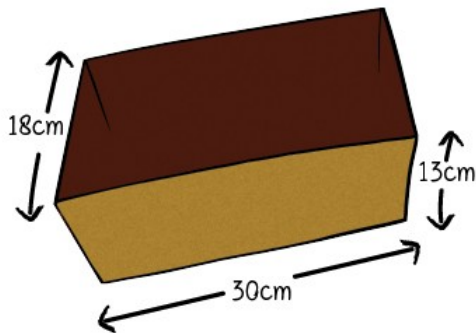
This year Group 2 are spearheading the Shoebox appeal.

As a school we feel we could fill 200 shoeboxes to send to deprived children all over the world for Christmas.

All you have to do is:

### 1. Find an empty shoebox

The shoebox should ideally be medium size, as shown. Wrap the lid and the box separately in wrapping paper (before going on to insert your gifts).



### 2. Decide if your gift is for a boy or girl

Use one of the stickers on the leaflet (available at reception) and stick on the outside of the lid - top right. Make sure the label is secure.



### 3. Fill your box with gifts

You can use the gift ideas list found here for inspiration.

#### Toys:

*Bear, soft toy, tennis ball, finger puppet, jigsaw, yo-yo, building blocks, small musical instrument.*

#### For boys;

*trucks and cars,*

#### For girls;

*dolls, clip on earrings, etc.*

#### Educational Supplies:

*Felt pens, pens, pencils, pencil sharpener, eraser, colouring book, notepad, picture or puzzle book, chalk, pencil case, stickers, etc.*

#### Hygiene Items:

*Toothbrush, toothpaste, hairbrush, comb, hair clips, bar of soap, flannel, etc.*



# What's going on ...

## Other Items:

*Sweets (sell-by date to be at least March of the following year), gloves, scarf, sunglasses, cap, hat, bangles, necklaces etc.*

**All gifts should be new, please include items from each category.**

### No Food

*especially chocolate - non-chocolate sweets are allowed*

### No medicine

*or vitamins of any kind*

### No war related items

*toy guns, soldiers or knives of any kind*

### No clothing

*other than listed above*

### No fragile items

*glass containers, mirrors.*

### No liquids

*including blow bubbles, shampoo, bubble bath, toiletry sets or aerosols.*

### No dangerous items

*sharp objects, scissors or razors*

### No novels

### Nothing of a political nature

### No hand-knitted stuffed toys without a CE mark

*(knitted items we can accept)*

## 4. Make your donation

We suggest a minimum of £2.50 donation per shoebox - which helps ensure your shoebox gets to where it needs to go. **Please donate online if at all possible - so we can tell you where your shoebox went.** If not, please complete the donation slip from the downloaded OCC leaflet, enclose a cash or cheque donation, and then place the payment/slip in your shoebox on top of the contents.

## 5. Drop off your shoebox

Ensure your shoebox is secured with a rubber band around the outside. Take your shoebox to Dunhurst by the 21<sup>st</sup> November and help us build our wall of boxes in Reception!.





## What's going on ...

### Collecting pupils at the end of the school day

With the nights drawing in and in terms of pupil safety, we would advise parents that pupils still waiting to be picked up from the covered steps fifteen minutes after home time (set out below) will be asked by the duty member of staff to wait in reception until their parents arrive.

**End of school for Groups:** 3.50pm-pupils asked to wait in reception from 4.05pm.

**End of school for Blocks/end of Groups activities:** 5.30pm—pupils asked to wait in reception from 5.45pm.

**End of Block activities:** 7.00pm or 7.30pm dependent upon activity-pupils asked to wait in reception from 7.15pm or 7.45pm respectively.

All Block activities finish at 7.00pm with the exception of the following which finish at 7.30pm:

Monday: Free swim; Girls hockey; Football, Play rehearsal

Tuesday: Rugby; Girls football, Play rehearsal

Thursday: Netball



## Sport ...

### U13 GIRLS' HOCKEY

#### GREAT SUCCESS AT THE IAPS TOURNAMENT!

What a great day for Dunhurst sports - reaching the quarter finals of this prestigious tournament.

This is the first time we've been ready for this event and this is due to the girls' hard work and commitment to hockey over the last 3 years. We travelled to Queenswood School in Hatfield, Hertfordshire where 16 schools battled it out.

The girls played extremely well, showing some excellent stick work and determination. *The squad:*

*Breanne H (captain), Tara N (vice capt), Ellie W, Antonia R, Jemima G, Gabbi G, Emilie J, Cecily U, Pippa L, Chilli C* have all trained very hard and deserve their success. However these 10 girls would not have reached this standard if it hadn't been for the other 20 girls nipping at their heels for the places in the squad. All of the girls that have attended Monday night training every week have helped to push the standard up. Well done girls! You did Dunhurst proud.





## Sport ...

### **The U11 A & B Footballers travelled to Oakwood on Wednesday.**

The A Team had their biggest match of the season – a potential league title decider. We went 2-0 down in the first two minutes; one good finish, and one unlucky deflection. The boys never gave up and by half time we were back in the game – 2-2. We were very confident going into the second half and put the Oakwood goal under a lot of pressure. Long shots from Luca went agonisingly close but the ball just wouldn't go in. We went 3-2 behind, and again the boys fought back to make it 3-3 with a penalty. Unfortunately, two late goals from Oakwood made the final score 5-3. We have one match left in the league and Oakwood have three. We will do our best to win next week, and hope that other results go our way!!



The B Team also had a close match. In an end to end game, with the lead changing hands several times, assists from Taran and goals from Oscar and Felix (on his birthday!) made it 2-2.

Well played boys, another great performance.

Please Note: Ditcham were unable to get here for our U9 match on Monday, so we have re-arranged it. The match is now on **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November @ 4pm on the Astro**. - Ryan

### **U12 Football v Haslemere Prep**

This was due to be a very nice fixture with some of these boys playing together for the first time. The boys started well particularly with Joe, Finn, John and Ashley in midfield passing the ball well looking for the runs of Will and Nicky in attack. The opposition were impressed with us and they were delighted to open the scoring after a mistake in our defence. They were able to start controlling the play and were able to finish the half the stronger team, and scoring four goals to our none. With the boys clearly disheartened I asked them to try their best to get into the match by putting more pressure on the opposition when they had the ball. Straight away, Joe was in with a strong tackle and when their keeper 'fluffed' a clearance Will nipped in to score a deserved goal. Our boys were elated and now up for the challenge. The defence of Oscar, Henry, Richie and Bart were now really keen to protect Callum in goal and foil any chances Haslemere tried to put together and then feed the ball to our midfield. Joe was tackling hard and chances were created by Nicky's dynamic running. Two goals were scored by Joe quickly and we right back in it but the Haslemere defence tightened up and when we conceded two goals late on we were not able to pull back the game. We finished the game losing by six goals to three but I was so impressed with the spirit shown by the boys especially in the second half. Well done, all of you.



## *Parents' action page ...*

1. Don't miss out on the Dunhurst Bonfire Night, the best bonfire night in Hampshire—quite possibly. Tonight at 6.00pm.
2. Do come to the Childtalk session on Tuesday—Childnet with Pippa Green.
3. Make note of the 'Life Education' the following week.
4. Make sure you come and see one of the Groups Play performances of Greeks, Gods and Gold—Stories To Be Told.
5. Don't forget to fill out a reply slip for the Book Fair.
6. Please take note of the change in arrangements for collecting your children after activities.
7. Please help Group 2 build a wall in Reception for Operation Christmas Child.