

# Childwall School News

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Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing as we approach the half-term holiday which as Parents/Carers know will commence on Monday, 26th May. School is closed for the purposes of In-service Training on 2nd June. However, all students sitting public examinations must obviously attend on 2nd June to complete examinations on this day.

In the week beginning 6th May Year 9 students completed their National Curriculum Tests (SATs). Year 9 worked exceptionally hard and their response to the tests was excellent. This was particularly so when as Parents/Carers know we were badly affected by the sudden strike by Arriva Buses on Wednesday, 7th May. I was very impressed with the efforts that students made to get into school to complete their tests especially on this day. We await what I hope will be some excellent results.

On 13th May all Year 11 students attended the Progress File Ceremony when our Guest of Honour was Derek Mountfield, the ex-Everton Footballer.



On 14th May many students in Year 11 attended the Prom which was held at the Speke Marriott Hotel. As always, Year 11 conducted themselves admirably. I continue to have the highest expectations of the Year 11 results for this summer. Obviously students in Year 11 will have been told exactly what they must do to achieve their target grades. Arrangements have been made by all Faculties to ensure that revision and study skills are being emphasised up to and including each of the public examinations taking place in May and June 2008.

The GCSE results will be available in the Drama Studio of the school on Thursday, 21st August 2008 from 10.00 a.m. 'A' Level results will be

available on Thursday, 14th August 2008.

Harry Povall, currently a Year 11 student, has been selected as one of the finalists for the Young Champions Award. The award will be made at a special celebration in July. The winner of the all England competition will be selected by Dame Tanni Grey-Thompson. Many congratulations to Harry for this outstanding success. We wish him well in the final of this prestigious award competition.

Five of our students were successful in gaining a place in the semi-final of the Liverpool Teen Idol competition. We sincerely hope that a number of our students will reach the final which takes place on 16th June 2008. My best wishes go to Ellen Nkonjera, Alan Millington, Sean Harrison, Carl Gordon, and Amy Buckley. My thanks go to Miss Brown, Head of Music, for making the arrangements.

Four of our Year 10 boys of the Liverpool Schoolboys U15 Squad have been chosen to represent



Liverpool as part of the Liverpool Schoolboys Squad and they have also reached the national final to be played on 16th May at Goodison Park.

A number of our Year 8 students are involved in a 'Skills Club' with the support of Mr. Mullarkey and Mr. O'Leary. The group is visiting a range of placements to support their 'skills development'. This is an excellent opportunity for our Year 8 students.

There is a wide ranging programme of sporting activities being arranged by Childwall Sports College for the half-term holiday. I do hope students are able to access what is an excellent programme.

The next meeting of the Parents/Teachers/Friends Association (PTFA)

takes place on 11th June at 6.00 p.m. All Parents/Carers are warmly invited to this meeting. The PTFA meets regularly to discuss a series of fundraising opportunities for the school.

In addition to Year 9 sitting their National Curriculum Tests and Year 11 sitting GCSEs, Years 7, 8, 9 and 10 will be starting their school examinations on or about Friday, 16th May. I do hope that all students are revising for these very important examinations. Reports will be issued at the end of term to all students.

Year 10 will be on Work Experience as of 16th June for two weeks and again I wish Year 10 students all good fortune in this very important section of their curriculum. All students in Year 10 are reminded that English

coursework must be completed to ensure that Work Experience takes place. We must ensure that we are fully prepared for next September when Year 10 move into Year 11 and the important GCSE examinations.

On 18th and 19th June we are holding our Year 6 Induction Days. I would remind Parents/Carers that we are oversubscribed in terms of numbers for Year 7 joining us in September and we have a significant waiting list. I am delighted that the school continues to be oversubscribed in this way and popular. This is a great tribute to the professionalism of the staff and the achievements of our youngsters.

On 26th June we will be holding an Open Afternoon for Year 5 students in order that they can experience life at Childwall Sports College. Miss Gall, Key Stage 3 Manager, will be making the arrangements for the 18th and 19th June and also the 26th June. Further information will follow as soon as possible.

Sports Day is always one of the highlights in the school calendar and this will take place on Friday, 27th June at the Picton Sports Centre. I do hope Parents/Carers are able to

join us for what is always an excellent occasion.

In July our Sixth Form students will be visiting Iceland to support their production of coursework. I am sure this will be an excellent trip. Year 7 will be visiting Colomendy on 4th July led by Miss Cassidy and Miss Alecock for what again is sure to be an excellent experience.

By now all Parents/Carers will be aware that we have acquired Trust Status and to this end we will be holding an 'International Day' on 10th



July and a 'Health Day' on 8th July. These arrangements will be made jointly with Broadgreen High School and our Trust Partners: The Primary Care Trust (PCT), Hope University, John Moores University and Scottish Power.

School will close for the summer break on 18th July at lunchtime. There will be at least one further newsletter to confirm the arrangements for the summer term.

I wish Year 9 students all good fortune in the National Curriculum Tests, Year 11 students in their GCSE examinations and our Sixth Form students as all approach the very important public examinations for 2008. We have been successful in improving our examination results every year for the last 4 years and have every intention that the current group of examination candidates, particularly in Year 11, not only achieves individual results of the highest calibre but also contribute to the school's overall improvement. Good luck to all concerned.

Kind regards,  
D.W. Phillips,  
Headteacher.

## Stop Press

*Congratulations to alan millington who won the sem-final of the teen idol competition and is now through to the final on the 16th june in the philomonic hall*

**Abbie Morton and Jess Breen: Dancers Extraordinaire: April 2008**



## Newsday Competition

On 13th March we held our Newsday with our Newspaper Club. The aim was to produce a whole newspaper in 1 day covering local, national and international stories as well as feature articles and sport.



We are very proud to announce that we have been awarded a "Distinction", the highest possible level. This is the best result we have ever achieved.



Congratulations and well done to all the team and to the staff, Ms. Hamilton and Mrs Gambardella.

## Duke of Edinburgh

We had a practice walk in the Clwyd Mountains for the Silver Award for the Duke of Edinburgh on the 5th - 6th April.



All the pupils had a fantastic time even though they found it was very demanding, walking through snow and rain as well as some sun. All the pupils met the challenge with commitment and hard work. Well done to all. Their Qualification walk will be in the Rynogs on the 16th - 20th of June. I wish them all, every success for that hike.

Mr Cheetham

## Green Fingers Project 2008



## Cambridge Access Bus

On INSET Day (Friday 18th April) the Cambridge Access Bus visited Childwall Sports College. The initiative aimed to dissolve traditional stereotypes about the University and encourage more applications from young people. Priyanka Rao, a fourth-year Modern Language student and Melissa Conboy came to the Childwall



as ambassadors to answer questions and talk to the students.

Priyanka attended Wirral Grammar School before going to Cambridge, whilst Melissa was a student at KDH. Both were ideal candidates to discuss the options available to our students in applying to one of the world's most prestigious Universities.

## Harry Povall finalist in the UK Champions 2008 Competition



## Year 9 News

Since Christmas Year 9 have been totally focused on preparation for their SATS exams. The Mock SATS successfully took place in early March with some fantastic results. Through April the English, Maths and Science departments have been offering numerous opportunities out of curriculum time to assist with revision and exam preparation. These opportunities have included a visit by the theatre company Shakespeare4kidz who gave all students a 'hands on' revision guide, thanks to Ms Conway & Mrs Stephens for organising this. English and



Science have also put on revision sessions 2/3 times a week to focus on certain aspects of exam preparation. Maths ensured they had Staff in the LRC from Tuesday to Thursday after school to assist pupils with homework & revision on the mymaths website.

Lets hope that all this hard work and effort pays off!

Miss Tomlinson

(Thank you to all the English, Maths and Science staff who have given up their time to deliver these opportunities)

## Football

By now you will know that Liverpool Schoolboys have reached the National final of their Cup competition. A number of



our boys including Helio Andre, David McNamara, Kadeem Mekki are taking part. The final is to be played at Goodison on 16th May 2008 at 7.00 p.m.

## Art & Technology Exhibition: May 2008



## Show Racism the Red Card

Pupils in Form 74 recently took part in a "show racism the red card" event. As a result of there outstanding work they were invited to a "show racism the red card" event



in Anfield Football club. Pupils got to speak to football players such as John Barnes, Howard Gayle and Michael Thomas around the issue of racism.



Pupils really enjoyed their day at Anfield football club. Congratulations to Form 74 on their achievements.



## Art Success

The NAHT Conference requested all Liverpool schools to submit 2 pieces of artwork by their pupils. As a result JADE NOON in Year 11



won 2nd prize to beat the competition from all the schools in Liverpool and JAYNE BANNON in Y13 got a Distinction. Congratulations to them both.

K. Earle

## Even the Frogs are Banking at Barclays

On Thursday 8th of May the excitement was building for yet another "Wooden Frog Racing" night at Childwall Sports College. The smell of curry from the top floor of the school had everyone's mouths watering as the hours ticked by for the start of the fun and games. Miss Colgan and the Technology Department had spent weeks planning this night which would help to raise funds for a Technology residential to Ireland in June. The big incentive was the support from Barclay's bank at the Fiveways who generously agreed to match any money raised up to the total of £750. The challenge was on!!!! Pupils sold tickets and the bar was set up along with the food of course. The



office staff were there early trying to sneak a bit of practice as John Parry arrived to MC the night. With everyone fed by 8.30 the races got off to a fine start and the betting began. There were a few sharks in the group who stole the show especially Kate Lamb who won the final race and the glory until next year. The frog auctions and betting, along with a raffle and a cake auction managed to raise a grand total total of over £800. A HUGE THANK YOU to everyone who came to support the night and to Linda Sprung for her communication with Barclay's Bank. The biggest thank you goes to Barclay's Bank for their support and generosity which will help to make this trip a memorable experience for our pupils.

Thanks to all from Miss Colgan and the Technology Department.

## Nuffield Bursary Scheme 2008

Nimca Hassan, a Year 12 pupil has been awarded a place on the Nuffield Bursary Scheme this summer. We were delighted to be informed of the success of Nimca as the scheme receives an overwhelming number of applicants from Cheshire, Warrington & Greater Merseyside and only a select few are chosen. Nimca is an exemplary student in both Biology & Chemistry and is an extremely ambitious pupil. The project she will take on will help her to develop and further her future career by opening up a number of different paths.



The Project will be based around Magnetic Resonance Properties of a novel contrast agent at Liverpool University. The school has the highest expectations for Nimca and wish her every success over the summer on her project.

Dr L Youssef

## Angelika Ziolkowska, Year 9: Winner of the Southport Art Society Competition for a drawing of the Liver Building: 2008



## Mobiles

Ms Bannister is requesting that any mobiles that are no longer of use, to



be brought into school. They can be sold to raise money for the training of GUIDE DOGS for the BLIND. Please



support your local Blind School. Thank you.

L. Bannister

## Healthy Living Programme

St. Anne -Stanley Primary School have just finished their 4 week programme after school on Healthy



choices. They spent time in Food Technology, the Science labs and the



Health and fitness Suite. All of the pupils had a good time.

*Inset: school will be closed to students on Monday, 2nd June 2008. Students sitting public examinations must obviously attend.*

## Green Fingers

Take some Year 8 pupils add some soil, seeds, water, tools and plenty of sunshine. What do you have? You could say a mess..... but you would be wrong. We have a new project that taps into several areas both with the curriculum and in terms of links such



as Healthy Schools, Conservation and Enterprise. The project is simple, grow fruit and vegetables on site and then sell them with one aim being to make a small profit. It teaches pupils about the environment, organic farming techniques, crop rotation and growth periods and rates for certain crops. The team from Year 8 are as follows:

Lukasz Falandysz  
Ryan Kelly  
Takudswa Gunde  
Adam Manley  
Connor Rowan  
Tyler Tasker  
Graeme Pitt  
Brendan King



So far the pupils have presented the project to Mr. Phillips but we will soon be entering a competition about Sustainable projects. More news as it develops (or grows ahem excuse the pun). We hope to follow this project right through to Year 11.

A. Dutta

## Health Day

Childwall and Broadgreen Schools are collaborating as part of their new Trust Status over two days on a Health Day and an International Day. The Community Health Ambassadors



Team or CHATS are providing an invaluable service in helping both schools to organise Health events for the day to be held later this summer term.

J. Parker.

Health Education Co-ordinator

## Profile Progress Ceremony

On Tuesday, 13th May, Year 11 had their final leaving ceremony. They were given a Progress File by DEREK MOUNTFIELD, our guest speaker, an ex Everton Football Player. He spoke openly and honestly and encouraged all the students to make the most of their opportunities. Our very own band, with Bobby Reardon, Abbi Walsh,



Sean Madigan, Laura Hayes and Jenny Robinson played a number and Rachel Bennett and Jack Knibb read two short poems. The students were outstanding and made the occasion very memorable.

Good luck to all the students in their coming exams and thank you to all of them from J. Lamb and J. Parker

## Year 11 Prom

On Wednesday, 14th May, Year 11 had a very successful Prom at the MARRIOTT HOTEL in SPEKE.. they had a three course meal of smoked chicken salad, stuffed lam and roast potatoes, followed by profiteroles. This was followed by a Disco. Many photographs were taken and made into key rings. There was a lot of fun and



laughter and a few tears as well. The girls looked stunning in their dresses and the lads looked very handsome.



Mr. Lamb and Ms. Parker would like to thank all the staff who helped to make this occasion very special and most of all to the students who made Mr. Lamb and me feel very proud.

J. Parker

If parents have any queries regarding their children's education they should contact the school immediately.

Yours sincerely

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# **FREE HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES IN SOUTH LIVERPOOL**

**WHERE: CHILDWALL SPORTS CENTRE**

**TIMES: 10 – 3 (Early drop off from 8.30/late pick up until 5.30)**

**REGISTRATION: Text to register – Name, Date, Activity to 07792 367048**

<b>MONDAY 26<sup>th</sup> MAY 08</b>	<b>TUESDAY 27<sup>th</sup> MAY 08</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY 28<sup>th</sup> MAY 08</b>	<b>THURSDAY 29<sup>th</sup> MAY 08</b>	<b>FRIDAY 30<sup>th</sup> MAY 08</b>
<b>CLOSED</b>	<b>FOOTBALL</b> 4-16 yrs 10 – 3PM	<b>FOOTBALL</b> 4-16 yrs 10 – 3PM	<b>MULTI SPORTS</b> (5-a-side, handball, badminton, basketball, dodgeball, kwik cricket) 4-16 yrs 10 – 3PM	<b>EVERTON FOOTBALL FESTIVAL</b> 4-6 yrs 10 – 3PM
<b>CLOSED</b>	<b>CHEERLEADING</b> 4-12 yrs 10 – 3PM	<b>DANCE</b> 4-12 yrs 10 – 3PM	<b>SPORTS ACTIVITIES FOR GIRLS</b> (Dance, Cheerleading, Trampolining, Netball, Aerobics) 4-11 yrs 10 – 3PM	<b>TRY NEW SPORTS</b> (Ultimate Frisbee, Handball, Pool, Table Tennis, Boxercise, Trampolining) 6-14 yrs 10 – 3PM
<b>CLOSED</b>	<b>SUMMER SPORTS</b> (Kwik Cricket, Rounders, Athletics, Softball, Games and Relays) 6-14 yrs 10 – 3PM	<b>TRAMPOLINING</b> 7 – 14yrs 10 – 3PM	<b>TRAMPOLINING</b> 7 – 14yrs 10 – 3PM	<b>FIVE A SIDE FOOTBALL</b> 6-14 yrs 10 – 3PM
<b>CLOSED</b>	<b>GAMES AND RELAYS</b> 3 – 6 yrs 10 – 3PM	<b>MULTI SPORTS</b> (5-a-side, handball, badminton, basketball, dodgeball, kwik cricket) 4 – 16 yrs 10 – 3PM	<b>SUMMER SPORTS</b> (Kwik Cricket, Rounders, Athletics, Softball, Games and Relays) 4-16 yrs 10 – 3PM	<b>SPORTS ACTIVITIES FOR GIRLS</b> (Dance, Cheerleading, Trampolining, Netball, Aerobics) 4-11 yrs 10 – 3PM

**IF YOU HAVE ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT: NATALIE WRAY (CSDO)**

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# FREE HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES IN SOUTH LIVERPOOL

## FREE GYM PASS

### CHLDWALL SPORTS CENTRE

TUESDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> MAY TO SUNDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> JUNE

JUST TURN UP

<p><b>VENUE:</b> STARRFIELDS  <b>AGE:</b> 8 – 16 YEARS  <b>DATES:</b> TUESDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> – FRIDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> MAY  <b>TIME:</b> 12.00 – 4.00PM  <b>ACTIVITIES:</b> FOOTBALL, HOCKEY, CRICKET, GAMES, ROUNDERS, BASKETBALL  <b>CONTACT:</b> DAN – 0151 2336143</p>	<p><b>VENUE:</b> STARRFIELDS  <b>AGE:</b> 8 – 16 YEARS  <b>DATES:</b> TUESDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> – FRIDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> MAY  <b>TIME:</b> 4.00 – 6.30PM  <b>ACTIVITY:</b> FOOTBALL  <b>CONTACT:</b> DAN – 0151 2336143</p>	<p><b>VENUE:</b> SHOREFIELDS  <b>AGE:</b> 8 – 16 YEARS  <b>DATES:</b> TUESDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> – FRIDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> MAY  <b>TIME:</b> 1.00 – 3.00PM  <b>ACTIVITY:</b> TRAMPOLINING  <b>CONTACT:</b> DAN – 0151 2336143</p>
<p><b>VENUE:</b> THE BELVE YOUTH CENTRE  <b>AGE:</b> 8 – 16 YEARS  <b>DATES:</b> TUESDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> – FRIDAY 30<sup>TH</sup>  <b>TIME:</b> 2.00 – 4.00PM  <b>ACTIVITIES:</b> DANCE  <b>CONTACT:</b> DAN – 0151 2336143</p>	<p><b>VENUE:</b> AL GHAZALI  <b>AGE:</b> 8 – 16 YEARS  <b>DATES:</b> TUESDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> – FRIDAY 30<sup>TH</sup>  <b>TIME:</b> 12.00 – 2.00PM  <b>ACTIVITIES:</b> GIRLS BASKETBALL  <b>CONTACT:</b> DAN – 0151 2336143</p>	<p><b>VENUE:</b> THE GREENHOUSE PROJECT  <b>AGE:</b> 8 – 16 YEARS  <b>DATES:</b> TUESDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> – FRIDAY 30<sup>TH</sup>  <b>TIME:</b> 1.30 – 3.30PM  <b>ACTIVITIES:</b> MULTI SPORTS  <b>CONTACT:</b> 0151 7268099</p>