



# WALDEGRAVE NEWS

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GCSE examinations have started with a bang this week. We are very proud of our Year 11 students who have approached their exams with great maturity this year. We wish them well for next week.

Well done to the nine Year 10 students who had a great time at the Moonwalk in Hyde Park last Saturday, enthusiastically handing out space blankets and rain macs to 17,000 walkers including Ms Croll, Mrs Davies and Ms Bechirian. Students and staff have raised over £1200 so far for Breast Cancer charities. If you would like to donate on-line please visit

[http://www.walkthewalkfundraising.org/madogo\\_3](http://www.walkthewalkfundraising.org/madogo_3)

My personal thanks to all parents who were able to support Saturday's PTA Ball in some way. Many parents attended and some that couldn't were able to support by offering time to help, or the donation of a raffle or auction prize. I am enormously grateful for the support of the PTA committee and Ball organising sub-committee led by Jo Grinbergs for organising such a successful and enjoyable event.

## PTA NEWS

The May Ball on Saturday night was a great success and made several thousand pounds (final figure to follow). Every penny raised will go to school to improve the environment and facilities for the girls. A huge thank you to the organisers - Jo Grinbergs, Jane Cox and Nicki Hall. We are incredibly grateful for the support from all the sponsors listed below and to everyone who attended, bought raffle tickets and auction prizes and donated raffle and auction gifts.

A particular thank you to the Broad Gallery, Stuart and Young, Dina Ollington, Nicki and Mal Hall, Hampton and Richmond Football Club, Kel Tomboly, Jacqueline Linden, Miss Shiels, Fitness First, Teddington, Richard Prescott, Sainsbury's, Pam Crisp, Laura Wadlow, The Rugby Football Union, Richmond Theatre, Kyzan Hairdressers, Flavia Hawksley-Walker, Discovery Centre, Monaf Cuisine, Royal Botanical Gardens, Kew, Turks Launches, Hampton Pool, Red Peppers, Cineworld, Squires, Mark's and Spencer, Karen Mackay and Martin Wallace for his auctioneering skills.

**Next PTA meeting** - Tuesday 24 May, 8 pm in school.

**Next PTA event** - Friday 1 July - wine tasting - details to follow.

## BOOK WEEK 23-27 MAY 2011

|              |            |   |   |
|--------------|------------|---|---|
|              | Mon 23 May | P1  | Y8 talk in Hall with Alan Gibbons followed by sale of his new book "An Act of Love" cost £6.99  |
|              |            | P2  | 8X Maths in LRC for Creative Writing Workshop with Alan Gibbons                                 |
|              |            | P3  | 8YH in LRC for Creative Writing Workshop with Alan Gibbons                                      |
|              |            | P4  | 8SD in LRC for Creating Writing Workshop with Alan Gibbons                                      |
|              |            | P5  | Y10 in Hall to hear talk from author and BBC Senior Foreign News Correspondent, Jill McGivering |
| Weds 25 May  | P2         | Y9 in Hall for "A Celebration of Poetry" with Lemm Sissay MBE |   |
| Thurs 26 May |            | Dress Up Day for Year 7 and competition for best outfit       |   |
| Thurs 26 May | Lunch      | Inter-House Book Quiz for Years 7 and 8 in the Hall           |   |
| Fri 27 May   | Lunch      | Secret Book Swap for Year 7s in the LRC                       |   |

## EVENTS

|              |  |
|--------------|--|
| All week     | Book Week                                      |
| Mon 23 May   | GCSE RE SC (am) / GCSE Spanish Listening (pm)  |
| Tues 24 May  | GCSE English Literature (am) / PE Full/SC (pm) |
| Weds 25 May  | GCSE Chemistry (am)                            |
| Thurs 26 May | GCSE Spanish Reading / GCSE Statistics (am)    |
| Fri 27 May   | GCSE Physics (am)                              |
| Fri 27 May   | Y10 G&T visit to Oriel College, Oxford         |

## Y8/9 MUFTI FRIDAY 27 MAY

There will be a Mufti Day for Y8 and 9 on Friday 27 May. Students should bring in £1 each if they want to wear their own clothes. Money raised from this day will go towards fund-raising sponsorship for ex-Waldegrave student Molly Avigdor, who is climbing Mount Kilimanjaro in Tanzania in aid of Childreach International and WalktheWalk.

| W/E 06.05.11 | BEST ATTENDANCE |       | BEST PUNCTUALITY       |         | MOST HOUSE POINTS |            |
|--------------|-----------------|-------|------------------------|---------|-------------------|------------|
| Year 7       | 7HF             | 100%  | 7PG,7HF, 7CC, 7JF, 7AS | 0 lates | 7JFF              | 112 points |
| Year 8       | 8SD             | 100%  | 8CH                    | 0 lates | 8HM               | 114 points |
| Year 9       | 9AL             | 97.9% | 9NI, 9OM, 9RA, 9AL     | 0 lates | 9OM               | 89 points  |
| Year 10      | 10KP            | 100%  | 10CD                   |         | 10NR              | 62 points  |

## SPORTS EVENTS & FIXTURES

| Year   | Sport                         | Date     | Year | Sport                         | Date     |
|--------|-------------------------------|----------|------|-------------------------------|----------|
| Junior | Rounders v Grey Court – HOME  | 24.05.11 | UI6  | Rounders tournament – HOME    | 26.05.11 |
| Senior | Football v Twickenham Academy | 25.05.11 | Y7   | Rounders tournament at L.E.H. | 28.05.11 |

## SPORTS NEWS

**Ace of Clubs Trampolining**  
 Waldegrave students represented Ace of Clubs Trampolining, last weekend at the Summer Cup National Grading Competition 2011. This was the first competition for the Club, and thanks to the top effort made by all the girls, they came away with a sack full of medals!  
 Congratulations to the following students:  
 Andrea Walder 10AE - made Finals, and 3rd in 15+ National G Grade Competition  
 Elisee Nunn 9ND and Andrea Walder 10AE - made Finals, 3rd in 15+ Intermediate Synchronised Competition  
 Jemimah Channon 9SA and, Hannah Gowans 9DN - made Finals, 8th in the UI5 Intermediate Synchronised Competition  
 Elisee Nunn 9ND - made Finals, 5th in Under 15 National G Grade Competition  
 Hannah Gowans 9DN- made Finals, 8th in 15+ National G Grade Competition  
 Gemma Fox 7HW came 6th and Siddy Nicholls 8YH came 8th in their individual events.  
 Georgia Windross 7HW was part of the UI3 Novice Team, which came 4th in their competition.  
 Our UI5 G Team: Elisee Nunn 9ND and Hannah Gowans 9DN were part of Team A, which came away with silver medals.  
 Our UI5 Novice Team: Gemma Fox 7HW, Marcella Williams 8YH, Sofia Hambi 8YH and Siddy Nicholls 8YH came away with silver medals. Ace of Clubs Trampolining said “it was a fantastic effort by all the children, and an outstanding contribution from the Waldegrave girls! Well done!”

## NEWS

**Year 8 Earth Day**  
 The whole of Year 8 were off timetable all day on Tuesday 17 May taking part in an Earth Day Enterprise activity. The students in teams of eight had to build a sustainable island community following a world flood disaster. They had to choose whether to start their new community on a Mediterranean, Indian, Pacific or Atlantic island. They had to design sustainable power supplies, food resources, shelter, drinking water and an education system for their community and finally decide on an eco-tourism attraction, a national charter and compose a national anthem for their new island.



All students worked really well as teams and the competition was tough in the first heats of presentations. Four teams went through to the final and the Year 8 audience voted for the winning team whose island was called ‘Falipitapatotis Shabam Shabam’. Well done to all of Year 8.



**GCSE Art Packs**  
 If you are a Year 9 student who has chosen Art and Design as a GCSE option, you will soon be able to purchase an art pack which will provide you with essential materials needed for the course. Letters will be sent home next week, please return slips and payment to Mrs de Rose via the school office as soon as possible

## LOCAL NEWS

**RugbyRocks London 7s 2011** As part of the Amateur Rugby Sevens tournament taking place on 4-5 June at The Richmond Athletic Ground there will be an opportunity for mini rugby players (boys and girls) aged 7-13 years to experience a sevens specific coaching session from professional Saracens RFC players and coaching staff. As well as this opportunity the children will receive a nutritional meal from Nando’s as well as other goodies. Participation costs £15 for first child and includes free entry for one accompanying adult to the festival; each sibling signed up will receive 50% discount. Sessions start at 1.00 pm and last around one hour. Places limited. To register contact Andy Ventris on 0770 201 5583, email [andy@rugbyrocks7s.com](mailto:andy@rugbyrocks7s.com) or visit [www.rugbyrocks7s.com](http://www.rugbyrocks7s.com)

**Richmond Knights Basketball Club** Exciting and fun training sessions for girls in Years 7-10. All abilities welcome. Mondays at St Mary’s University College Sports Hall, Waldegrave Road, Twickenham TW1 4SX 5.30 – 7.00 pm. 23 May, 6, 13, 20, 27 June and 4, 11, 18 July. Cost £4.50 per session. For more information contact James Merchant on 07900 602380 or email [knights.richmond@gmail.com](mailto:knights.richmond@gmail.com).

**Cycling Lessons for Adults** Can’t ride a bike? If you can’t and would like to learn, then the Safety Education Team at Richmond Council can teach you in a quiet, safe environment. There are just three courses this summer, for more information and to book a course please see this link. [http://www.richmond.gov.uk/cycling\\_safety](http://www.richmond.gov.uk/cycling_safety).