

# BRANDESTON HALL

BOARDING & DAY PREP SCHOOL (2½ - 13)



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## THE BRANDESTON BULLETIN & PRE-PREP POST

Bulletin 05

Spring Term 2012

Friday 10 February, 2012

### Snowy Weather

A huge well done to staff and parents alike for battling through the snowy conditions this week.

Turn out has been excellent and we have been able to run the school, pretty much, as normal.

This has also given the ground staff the opportunity to completely re-furbish the cricket pavilion and the new, white, wooden building will look magnificent once it is finished.



## BEN FRANCE CRICKET AT THE COLLEGE

# APRIL 10<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup> 2012

+ SPECIAL GUEST ANDREW HALL (South Africa & Northants)  
and a trip to see Northants v Kent - [Click for more info](#)

### News In Brief

#### Cheerleading

Congratulations to the Year 3 girls who have managed to arrange a cheerleading activity.

They have persuaded Miss Kelso to lead them and have managed to secure a slot in the Hobbies' Room on Tuesday lunchtimes.

Well done girls, we look forward to seeing you all in action.

#### Year 8 Revision History Sheets

All children know how to access these for their CE revision.

They can be found in: Start - Computer - BH Public Share (O) - History - Revision sheets.

Pupils can either print those required as hard copies or download a copy and save it to their own document file, where they can annotate it.

#### Netball

A big thank you to all the supporters at last Saturday's indoor netball matches against the touring team from Queen Margaret's School in York.

The atmosphere was fantastic and the girls all enjoyed some thoroughly entertaining netball.



### Uniform

Plans for the new uniform for Years 7 & 8 are progressing well, our aim is for the uniform to be smart, comfortable and to allow the pupils in Years 7 & 8 to feel different and more grown up.

In addition we don't want parents to incur considerable extra expense and so our current plans are to have a uniform based on the photograph.

We are also looking at a variety of ties that can be awarded to prefects, scholars and children who have performed well academically, in the arts and at sport.

### Morocco

Mr Myers-Allen is launching the Morocco expedition on 9th March at 4pm in the Music Room.

In order to judge whether we have enough participants to make the expedition viable this year, and so catering arrangements can be made please contact Lucy Bryanton ([office@brandestonhall.co.uk](mailto:office@brandestonhall.co.uk) or call 01728 685331) if you would like to attend.

The trip is open to all pupils currently in Years 7, 6 and possibly Year 5.



### e-Safety Talk for Parents by Karl Hopwood

Monday 19 March | 19:00 - 20:30

Karl Hopwood is an e-Safety expert. He is a member of UKCCIS (UK Council for Child Internet Safety) and sits on the advisory board for the new UK Safer Internet Centre. As an ex headteacher, he continues to work closely with children, young people, parents and teachers to develop safer online behaviours and the promotion of digital literacy. Karl has been in huge demand in schools up and down the country delivering this presentation to parents eager to know how best to help their children in this difficult area. This talk is open to parents of both Brandeston Hall and Framlingham College. Please could all parents interested in attending this talk contact Suzie Angove on [sjangove@framcollege.co.uk](mailto:sjangove@framcollege.co.uk) to book a place.

Venue: Headmaster Porter Theatre, Framlingham College



### A Night at the Library

On Thursday night, 16 very excited Year 3s arrived at the Library with their bed rolls and various cuddly toys ready for a Sleepover, complete with bedtime story and a Midnight Feast.

The Library was turned into their dormitory for the night as they settled down to listen to the tales of Winnie the Pooh, Tigger, Piglet and Eeyore courtesy of Mike Vipond, who kindly agreed to be our story-teller for the night, before an evening dip in the College pool followed by hot chocolate, biscuits and bedtime snacks from the College Dining Room.

Seven hours, and not much sleep later, the bleary eyed Campers emerged from the Library ready for their breakfast and keen to start the day's programme of Geography field trips around Framlingham town.

### Other Stories This Week

#### Year 6 History Projects

All Year 6 pupils have the requirements for their individual project to be produced as part of their studies this term. A certain amount of time will be set aside for IT in lessons but the bulk of the piece needs to be produced in the pupils' own time. The deadline for this work is the first day of the summer term.

#### Spring Concert Rescheduled

The Spring Concert was unfortunately postponed on Tuesday due to the bad weather. It will now take place on Tuesday 6th March at 7pm.

#### 'Pirates of the Curry Bean' Rehearsals

After half term, the rehearsals will be extended for Year 5 pupils only, until six o'clock. A drink and snack will be provided. Year 3 and Year 4 pupils will also be required but only until 5pm, at which point they may be collected.

Children catching the bus will be allowed to leave at the normal time unless parents are happy to collect at 6pm. Please let the School Office know which arrangement is preferred.

# THE PRE-PREP POST



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### Snow!

What a great delight to see the snow covering the lawns at school on Monday. It set a perfect scene for the Year 2 children to go outside and investigate the snow ready for their literacy work.

They spent time looking at the snow, feeling it and listening to it in order to gather ideas. Year 2 children have been thinking about poetry recently and everyone has written a poem about our senses; some of the poems are about food and some are about the snow.

All the poems will be entered into the 'Young Writers' Sense' Poetry Competition' and each child will be recognised for their contribution.

We may even get some of the poems published in a regional anthology.

### Pre-Prep News

#### Pre-Prep Commendations

**RRS:**  
Katie Hook - for the improvement in her concentration when writing and drawing.

Edward Powell - for being so good at rhymes.

**IMB:**  
Madeleine Bryan - for counting numbers really carefully for addition.

Anna Cogdell - for her enthusiasm for both independent writing and producing beautiful handwriting.

**2RL:**  
Iona Maydon - for super writing in class.

William Singleton - for writing a fabulous poem about sweets.

**2MG:**  
Theo Ellis - for thinking of good descriptive phrases for a Sense poem.

Rufus Maile - for some great mental Maths.

Gyr Balmer - for his great writing.

#### The Week Ahead

Swimming after half term:

2MG will swim on Mondays

2RL will swim on Fridays

Reception will swim on Wednesdays

Thursday 23rd February - Year 2 are going to Foxborough Farm, please could you ensure you return the permission slip.

I wish all of you a happy half term and look forward to seeing you all on Monday 20th February.

*Ruth Steggle*

