

# THORNGROVE NEWSLETTER

**18th June 2010**

It was lovely to welcome so many new children to our **Move Up Day** on Tuesday. We even have some children coming from France and Portugal but unfortunately they were unable to make it on Tuesday. Mrs Walker, our new Head of Science, was also unable to come but will meet her new form (7WR) on 2nd July when she pops across for the day. The children had an exciting morning getting to know their new form and new form teacher.

**Common Entrance** results are in and I am pleased to report that all the children in Form 9 were successful in gaining a place to their senior school. This is a splendid achievement. Form 9 children take different entrance exams throughout the year and I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate them all. Emilie Butter and Catriona Suttie took their entrance exam to St. Helen's, in Abingdon, back in November and did exceptionally well to be offered places. In fact, they are both taking music scholarships next week and I wish them all the very best. Eleanor Adams successfully gained a place to Bedales in January and will be joining her older brothers and Lara Dent was successful in her entrance exam to St. Swithun's in February. All twenty-three children have done so well, whether they took an entrance exam, Common Entrance or a Scholarship. They all worked hard and have been richly rewarded. At this point I must also thank the teachers for all their hard work, support and dedication. I have attached a full list of names and schools at the end of my newsletter. The Form 9s are still in France and are having a 'ball'. On their return they will be immersed into a full programme of events right up until the end of term.

Mr Brown took a team of keen golfers to the Oratory golf tournament this week. The boys had a super time and although their short game needed some work, they matched the other schools with their driving off the tee. Mr Brown said that they had a super day and hope to return next year. I have added a photo to the end of my newsletter.

The Masai warrior, who was scheduled to come and speak to the school on Monday, has been refused an entry visa. It appears that the situation won't be resolved in the near future but hopefully he might make it here at some point next term.

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Next week there are several trips and events: Wimbledon, cricket at the Rose Bowl, Form 2's summer show, the Summer Concert. Please check the calendar and the website for timings etc. As usual you are most welcome to use the school grounds for a picnic before the concert next Friday. Last year a popular spot was on the field behind the New Hall.

Another plea for cups and trophies! Please give any cups or trophies presented last year to Mary for this year's Speech Day.

The **second-hand uniform** sale was a real success. Mrs Boulton and Mrs Davies said:

'We're pleased to say that the second-hand uniform sale on Tuesday was a huge success. We took just over £1,000. This means that £300 goes back to the school. We're sure you'll agree that's a great result!

I would like to thank our helpers - Kerrie Bailles, Emma Woodhead, Emma Talbot-Williams, Sarah Franklin & Nina Smith. We really couldn't do it all without their help!

Our next sale is at the start of the September term.'

A big thank you to all concerned.

Sally will continue with **breakfast specials**. Next Wednesday she will be doing bacon sandwiches. Last week twice the number of parents/children came to the 'special breakfast'. Let's hope she gets a good response next week.

The **Summer Camps** in the holidays are filling up, particularly with the younger children. There are still a few places available for the older children in Forms 5-8. Mr Brown would be happy for children in Form 4, who would rather do the sporty camp, to join his group. Please see Mrs McQuillen to book your place!

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Mrs Astley is arranging a **World Cup Raffle** to raise money for the School Council. She says:

'Please support Form 5A's raffle. There are three prizes-an England football shirt, an England football and an England rucksack. The winner of the football shirt can choose a home or an away shirt. Tickets cost £1 each and will be on sale from Monday 21<sup>st</sup> to Friday 25<sup>th</sup>. The draw will take place on Friday morning. Tickets can be bought from Form 5A's classroom during morning break or from Mrs McQuillen. If you buy a ticket from Mrs McQuillen please put your money in a named envelope. (I will not be in school on Monday so tickets will not be on sale in my room on that day.) Good luck!'

I wish you all a very happy weekend.

Kind regards,

Adam King  
(Headmaster)



Our golf team looking rather cool

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## Form 9 Leavers and their Future Schools

<b>Name</b>	<b>Future School</b>
James Baker	Abingdon
Gareth Bown	Pangbourne
Miles Brown	Pangbourne
Lara Dent	St. Swithun's
James Hassall	Pangbourne
Tamzin Howard	Dauntsey's
Lulu Parry-Clarke	Bradfield
Maia Patrick-Smith	Bradfield
Yasmin Shaikh	St. Gabriel's
Harry Tanner	Bradfield
Jack Willis	Bradfield
Cara Adams	Pangbourne
Eleanor Adams	Bedales
Micaela Adams	Pangbourne
Harry Atkins	Sherborne
Norman Box	Clayesmore
Emilie Butter	St. Helen's
James Illsley	Pangbourne
Natalie Jones	Bradfield
Tom Shaw Stewart	Abingdon
Catriona Suttie	St. Helen's
Thomas Teece	Abingdon
Elliot Wood	Radley

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## **Boys' Results**

### **The Oratory School Prep Schools Golf Tournament**

This was Thorngrove's first ever golf team. We competed against Cranmore, Cothill, Oratory Prep, St.Pirans & Moulsoford. The boys demonstrated a lot of potential and with more work on their short game I am sure we could be a serious challenge for most schools next year!

**The U11 team were....Ben Frisby, Max Mortimer, Sam Warren, Alex Storey, Fergus Mitchell & George Tanner.**

## **TENNIS RESULTS**

**U9 A VI v. Horris Hill Won 5-4 in matches (won 26-18 in games)**

### **Doubles....**

Frisby & Suttie **Won 4-0** Lost 3-4 **Won 4-0**

Bailes & Fanning Lost 1-4 **Won 4-0** **Won 4-0**

Cardno & Lynas Lost 1-4 **Won 4-2** Lost 1-4

**U13 A IV v. Dolphin School (Berkshire Semi-Final) Lost 2-4 in sets**

### **Singles**

George Knight L 5-7  
Ukasyah Wallace **W 7-6**  
Louis Patrick Smith L 1-6  
Faiq Bolkiah L 1-6

### **Doubles**

Knight & Wallace **W 6-4**  
Patrick-Smith & Bolkia L 1-6

## **CRICKET RESULTS**

**U12 XI v. Pilgrims U12 XI**

TH: 41 all out (14 overs) Wallace 13  
PG: 193-4 (24 overs)  
RESULT: Lost by 152 runs

**U11A v. Pilgrims A**

TH: 80-6 (20 overs) Mortimer 31\* Frisby 11 Patrick-Smith 7 Beck 6  
PG: 85-9 (20 overs) Forsyth 2-9 Mitchell 2-20 Warren 1-14 Mortimer 1-17 Frisby 1-18  
RESULT: Lost by 5 runs

**U11B v. Pilgrims B**

TH: 62-9 (20 overs) Tanner 9 Embleton 4 Taucher 3 Winch 3  
PG: 63-1 (15 overs) Tanner 1-8  
RESULT: Lost by 9 wickets

**U9B/A X Pairs v. St.Francis B/A**

TH: 268-3 (15 overs) Tyler DSM & Sam H 19 runs  
SH: 291-1 (15 overs) Wooley 1 wicket  
RESULT: Lost by 23 runs

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## **Boys' Results (continued)**

### **Newbury Athletics Club – U11 Inter Schools 4 x 100m Relay Event**

#### **A team**

Howard

Knight

Warren

Hole

**RAN 65.9 secs in heat after  
dropping the baton on  
1<sup>st</sup> change over.**

#### **B team**

Winch

Saint

Hobby

Taucher

**RAN 63.6 secs in heat and  
qualified for the final.**

**RAN 64.4 secs in final and  
finished in 5<sup>th</sup> place (out of 12)**

## **Girls' Results**

U10 rounders v Prince's Mead won 111/2 - 101/2

U11 rounders v Prince's Mead won 16 - 91/2