

Expansion Project Update

Balfour Beatty have completed the expansion project and the building was handed over to the school on Friday. The school have been very impressed with the project management from Balfour Beatty and especially the work their Senior Site Manager - Gavin Crawley has done to finish the building on time and to such a high standard. Our thanks go to everyone who has been involved with the project, keeping it on track, whilst maintaining the health and safety of the site.



The school is now responsible for the 'fixtures, fittings and equipment' of the building and we will be getting the building ready to receive the first classes and users of the building. We hope to move Year 3, from their current classroom (Computer Suite) into the new building the week before half term. We will then move Year 5 & 6, the Main Office and the Head's Office at half term.

From Friday 23rd January the entrance/exit onto Comyne Road will be opened/closed at the beginning of the day and the end of the day.

We will keep you informed of any changes in routines etc when needed. Thank you for being so understanding throughout this whole process.

Paul Sutton

Girls' Football Team

Our first football match was against Little Green on Monday 12th January. In the first half Emma Lumley scored 2 goals which lead to half time with the score at Little Green 0-2. In the second half it was pouring down with rain so the ground was muddy and slippery, but everyone who played still brought their all and Olivia Watt scored 2 more great goals. At the end of the match the score was 0- 4. Well done to Emma Pinder who was a great defender and who was player of the match. Also to Grace Robertson who saved lots of the attempts on goal and Katie Murphy, Karina Sharma, Elsa Nesterovski, Kelsey Bunting, Mahek Khan who all played excellently! The girls won the value cup for showing all of the values during the game despite the horrible weather. A great start for the girls' football team.



By Olivia Watt and Emma Lumley

On Friday the 16th of January, the girls' football team played against Tanners Wood. All the girls worked really hard but unfortunately lost by 3-0. However the score line did not reflect the performance by the girls.

The Orchard team was made up of Emma Lumley, Grace Robinson, Olivia Watt, Elsa Nesterovski, Emma Pinder, Kelsey Buntley, and Karina Sharma. All the players worked very hard in the freezing cold and managed to save lots of attempts on goal. It was the girls' second game as a team and they were playing against a very experienced team. The girls worked hard to defend and managed to keep a clean sheet in the first half. The second half saw the girls tire, and Tanners Wood scoring 3 goals. The girls worked extremely hard and played exceptionally as a team. A lot of very proud parents and coaches. Well done to all the girls.



By Karina Sharma and Grace Robinson.



Events Happening at Orchard

Fri 23 Jan	Girls' Football Team - away match, Haberdashers' Aske's School for Girls
Mon 26 Jan	Governing Body Meeting - 7.30pm
Tue 27 Jan	Lunchtime Consultation Meeting - 2.15pm
Thur 29 Jan	Year 4 Indoor Athletics Festival
2 - 6 Feb	Story Telling Week
Mon 9 Feb	Year 3 start in their new classroom
Thur 5 Feb	PSFA Children's Disco
16 - 20 Feb	HALF TERM
Mon 23 Feb	Year 5 & 6 start in their new classrooms
Thur 26 Feb	Year 5 Hockey Festival
Thur 5 Mar	Year 1 Trip
Tue 10 Mar	Parent Consultations
Wed 11 Mar	Choir singing at 'Voice in a Million' - Wembley Arena
Thur 12 Mar	Parent Consultations
Fri 13 Mar	Red Nose Day
Tue 31 Mar	Official opening of the new building
Thur 2 Apr	Last day of term - finish at 2pm
Fri 3 - Mon 20 Apr	EASTER HOLIDAYS