

BEWARE

Beware in the bush by Wilton!
There is a wasps' nest in there.
Make sure you don't get stung by them.
So be careful,
And look out for them.
There might even be one million wasps in there.
So, like I said, be careful and **BEWARE**.

By Saxon Foster (Year 6)



Rehearsals!

Tuesday 30th September: Eleanor Gammon, Isobel Ayde Ashdown, Martha Burgess, William Neubauer, Jake Williams,

Thursday 2nd October: Sam Norwood, Beth Leishman, Ollie Evans, Georgia Toase, Isabella Fairthorne, Max Eckermann.



Listen to Steve Cahill on-line on Radio Gloucestershire when he was interviewed by the DJ Steve Kitchen on Wednesday 24th September at 12.15pm onwards. Steve was talking about his recent trip to Ethiopia where he photographed an aid project working in inner city Addis Ababa.



www.bbc.co.uk/gloucestershire/local_radio/index.shtml (click on the 'Listen again' icon on the right-hand side of the front page)

School Dinners! Izzy Montgomery did some research – here are some of her results!

Break

The most popular break is doughnuts. Sarah Orly, Megan and Annabel all enjoy eating them.

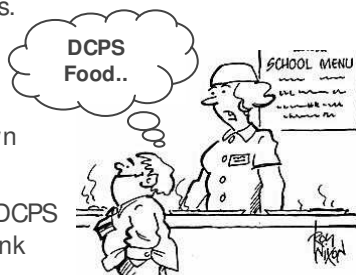
Lunch

Everybody loves lunch! Spaghetti bolognese, pizza, fish and chips and curry are all big hits.

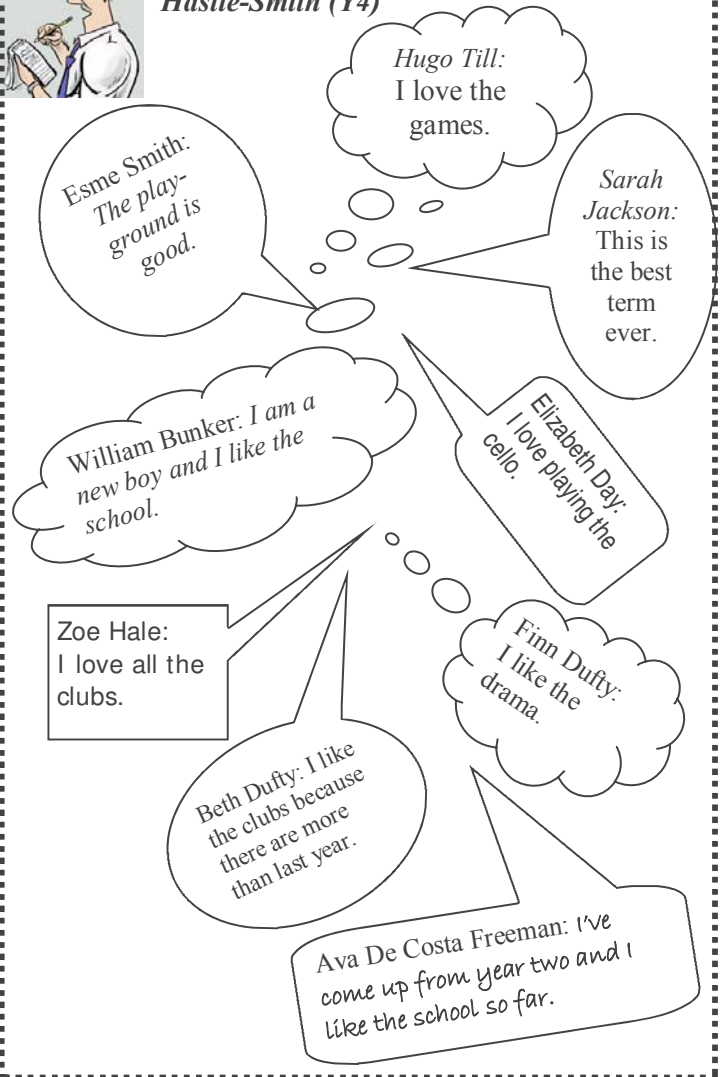
Pudding

What a lovely word! Ice-cream, sticky toffee pudding and apple crumble all go down well.

Overall, the food is lovely at DCPS and we want to say a big thank you to all the cooks.



Some thoughts on school life as investigated by one of our Roving Reporters, Alice Hastie-Smith (Y4)



Winter Uniform



A reminder that after Exeat all pupils should be wearing Winter Uniform. Details can be found on the uniform list; please ask in Houses if you are not sure about anything. Fleeces may be worn, but are not compulsory. If pupils wear a fleece instead of a jumper, they must undo the zip when inside, for example in class. Jumpers (and/or blazers for Years 6-8) are worn for any smart occasions, and including Saturdays.

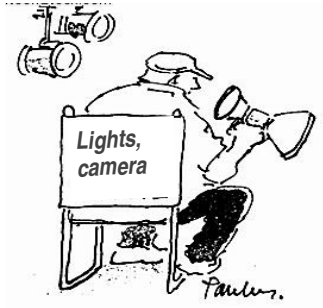
Jacqueline Dunlop

Speech and Drama

Lots of children take speech and drama lessons at DCPS. Here are some of the comments that the children made to Roving Reporter, Izzy Montgomery:



- Lowri Evans and Elsa Pool love making up improvisations.
 - Evelyn Dick likes dressing up.
 - Emily Wadsworth likes the poetry.
- And
- Beth Dufty likes acting.
 - Finn Dufty loves everything!
 - I think speech and drama will be great this term, don't you?!



Birthdays... This week the following children celebrate their birthdays:

Sabine Trant and Toby Hitchens on the 27th September, Olivia O'Hara on the 29th and Connie Johnson on the 1st October.

Other children who celebrated birthdays earlier this term are:

Ella Wilsden-Purser, George Thornton, Alice Helm, Flora Bird, Lucy Smith, William Hick, Harriet Abbott, William Warley, Adelaide Hollows, Oliver Nunn, Aaron King, Laura Shelley, Amy Porter, Tom Brotherton, Zachary Garrigus, Beatrice Garcia de Casasola, Alexandra McHattie, Izaak Baxter, Oliver Kent, Guy Toye, Saffron Greenwood, Helena Young, Emily Wadsworth, Beth and Finn Dufty, Joanthan Pritchett, Jemimah Bareham, Sam Wheatley & Georgia Lock.

Happy (belated) Birthday from Hermes!!

REMINDER: Year 8 Parents' Meeting on Tuesday 30th September. Year 8 pupils are expected to attend with their parents.

Can all those parents who have any questions or concerns about Scholarships please see Mrs Sorrell at this Parents Meeting.

French Trip 2009

We shall soon need to confirm our final numbers for next Easter's Year 7 Trip to France. If there are any Year 7 pupils who have not yet signed up but who think that they would still like to come, please see Mrs Davies or Mrs Dunlop by next Monday. If you are still not sure or would like further information do come and talk to us – we would love you to come!

Jacqueline Dunlop and Sarah Davies

Boarder's Corner:

This weekend the boarders enjoyed a really hot weekend. What beautiful weather! On Saturday all of the boarders had a late night swim and afterwards Fortfield went to Caldecote and enjoyed doughnuts and hot chocolate. Mr Shelley was on duty in Caldecote and he and the boys made a few changes to our wonderful school garden! They also picked some tomatoes to make chutney. Mrs Shelley was on duty in Fortfield and we made cakes for the hockey tour cake sale. Fortfield also enjoyed taking Cosa the dog to the brook several times! Thank you to all staff who helped us have fun this weekend.

Alice George (Year 8)

Performance Platform

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Our first Performance Platform of the new school year takes place next **Thursday 2nd October - at 1.30pm** in the Langhorne Hall. All those performing in the concert will be given a small number of invitations to hand out to their friends / family / teachers - and of course, anyone else is warmly welcome to attend.

Each term, we have a few of these special, relatively short lunchtime concerts - where a wide range of pupils perform - from beginners in Year 3, to Music Scholars in Year 8, and everyone in between! We try to cultivate a relaxed atmosphere in which pupils can enjoy performing to a small, supportive audience. Music teachers sign their pupils up for these concerts in school, and anyone who has music lessons outside school is encouraged to participate too.

Please send me a quick email if your child has lessons with an outside teacher, and has a piece ready to perform. We will then put them into the next available slot. There are also opportunities for pupils to perform in Congos (Congregational Hymn Practices) and Assemblies.

Extra Aural Practices - Tuesdays 1.30pm in Hardy

If you are aware that your child struggles in exams with their music aural, or has a high grade coming up, please encourage them to come to these special music aural sessions which take place weekly on a "drop-in" basis. Both Mr Nicholas and Mrs Gay will be available to run through a few tests and help with problem or difficult areas. these are open to all pupils - regardless of where they have their lessons!

Jo Hensel - jmhensel@deanclouse.org.uk



The Titanic Show



Fresh from the Edinburgh Fringe, **Pluck** will be returning to the Bacon Theatre with their brand new show on **Saturday 27th September at 7.30pm.**

The Titanic Show is Pluck's tribute to the musicians who played on until the end. Nobody knows what filled the days of those brave few before tragedy struck... So Pluck have made it up.

Featuring a real iceberg, one massive porthole, and a very large peanut, all blended with a mélange of great music - and NO Celine Dion!!

Dean Close Scholars and parents are entitled to all tickets at the concession price of **£10.00**, so call us on **01242 258002** to book your seats.



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Hockey v Abberley Hall

24 September 2008

1st XI Won: 9-0

It was great to see work done in training come off in the match. Excellent play all round!

2nd XI Won: 4-2

A good win for the seconds in this 7 a-side match with goals from Thais Hitchins, Fiona Spear, Emily Gaunt and player of the match Abbey Hayler.

U11A Drew: 2-2

A very even match with really strong defence from Louise and Elsa, and goals scored by Lowri and Harriet.

U11B Lost: 4-0

A tough match, and although the 2nd half was better it was too big a mountain to climb!

U9 Won: 11-3

A fantastic win, with 9 goals in the first half doing the damage. excellent play from everyone.

Hockey v CLC

17 September 2008

1st XI Drew 1-1

A really exciting game with some beautiful hockey at times and plenty of shots on target - unfortunately against a superb goalie!

2nd XI Drew: 0-0

A good result in a game showing a lot of promise in both attack and defence.

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1st XV Won 70 - 12

1sts off to a winning start

2nd XV Won 24 - 10

Heartening performance

3rd XV Won : 14-7

Possession is nine tenths of the game

Colts A Lost 0-45

Areas for improvement highlighted

17th September 2008
v Abberley Hall

RUGBY

Rugby v St John's

24th September 2008

3rd XV Lost: 17-30

A game of two halves

Colts C Lost: 7 19

A good recovery after a poor start

U9A Won: 20 - 15

Winning start for the Under 9 A's

U9B Lost 50-15

An encouraging start

Hockey v St John's, 10th September

U9 Won: 5-1

An excellent first game, full of promise for the season.

For more matches details, see:
[www.deancloseprep.gloucs.sch.uk/
onlineSPORT](http://www.deancloseprep.gloucs.sch.uk/onlineSPORT)

Hockey v The Dragon

13 September 2008

3rd VII Lost: 3-0

Despite being 0-0 at half time, we couldn't hold off the strong Dragon attack in the second half.

The Week Ahead

Sat 27th	Exeat
Sun 28th	7.30pm Boarders return. No School tea provided
Mon 29th	Winter Uniform now worn 7.30am Housemasters' Meeting 12.50pm Chamber Choir (see list in Rickerby for those selected from last Monday's auditions) 1.20pm Senior Strings in Hardy 3 – Cellos only Christian Union Meetings
Tues 30th	8.10am Prefects' Meeting 8.30am Assembly 9.am Choristers only to Westminster Abbey to sing at the HMC Service with the Choristers of Westminster Abbey – No Evensong 11am - Langhorne Hall - Run through performers in Thursday's Performance Platform who has not yet rehearsed with their pianist. 12.50pm Brass Ensemble Langhorne Hall 5.30pm - Mr Locke's Guitar Group upstairs in Hardy 5.15 – 7.15pm Year 8 Parents' Meeting in Langhorne Hall (Year 8 pupils to attend with parents)
Wed 1st October	Hockey v Clifton 1st XI, 2nd XI Away 2.30pm, Pick up 5.15pm. 3rd VII, 4th VII, 5th VII, 6th VII Away 3.30pm, Pick up 6.00pm. U11A, U11B, U10A, U10B Home 2.30pm, Pick up 4.30pm Rugby v Prior Park 1stXV Colts A and U9 A and B Home, Pick up 5.00pm. 2nd XV and Colts B Away 2.30pm, Pick up 5.30pm
Thurs 2nd	8.30am Assembly and Congo 12.50pm Year 7 Group to Bettridge 12.50pm Swing Band 1.30pm - Saxophone Swingers - upstairs in Hardy 1.30pm - Junior Strings - Violin sectional upstairs in Hardy. No cellos this week. 1.30pm - Performance Platform in Langhorne Hall. All welcome! Performers: lunch at 12.50 and arrive at Langhorne Hall by 1.20pm 5.15pm Buggy music rehearsal -Catherine Hodgkins, Olivia B-M, Rosie A, Clara D, Addie H, Emily Wadsworth - for "Buggy Malone" and "My Name is Tallulah"
Fri 3rd	12.50pm Senior Choir Langhorne Hall 100% attendance please. 1.30pm Junior Choir - All welcome! 5.30pm Boys' Voices Evensong

Parents Contact Lists:

In the Mailing that was issued at the end of the Trinity Term, parents were given an option to 'sign up' for inclusion on a Parents Contact List. There was not a great response to this over the summer period but recently a number of parents have now asked after this information. Therefore, the School Database Administrator (based in the Senior School) has agreed to produce Parents Contact Lists for distribution. **IF YOU DO NOT WANT TO BE INCLUDED IN THE PARENTS CONTACT LIST THEN PLEASE EMAIL THE DATABASE ADMINISTRATOR ON: hegrundy@deanclouse.org.uk**

If we do not receive an email from you the School will assume that your permission has been granted for inclusion.

Leonard Browne