

SUNNINGDALE

E-NEWSLETTER

MAY 2010

FROM THE HEADMASTER:

'All things seem possible in May.' The grounds are at their very best with the rhododendrons in full bloom and we have even had a little sun. Life has been as busy as ever with so many things going on. We have sent several groups to France, the cricket, tennis and athletics are at full steam and the CE candidates are working very hard in the run up to their exams.

There have been many highlights during the last month. The choir trip to France was a huge success and will certainly be repeated, several boys have made a lot of runs including a very special 106 from Pierre Carrelet and we had a terrific athletics win in all age groups against Hall Grove and Bishopsgate, both much larger schools than Sunningdale.

June is set to be even busier but then, for the boys at the top of the school, the pressure will be off and they can really enjoy the last few weeks of term.

T.A.C.N.D

CHOIR TOUR TO NORMANDY

Sunningdale's very first choir tour was a great success! The boys sang masses in Bayeux and Caen, performing music by Peter Hurford, Jonathan Willcocks and Cesar Franck. A great weekend was enjoyed by all. We were welcomed warmly by the church of St Patrice de Bayeux, and invited to return to sing in the future. Singing in the Abbey in Caen was a fantastic experience for the boys, but challenging due to the sheer size of the building. Their hard work was rewarded by some fun days out. Given the success of this tour, we are already beginning to plan for a bigger tour next year, perhaps to include some secular concerts. Huge thanks must go to Mr and Mrs T.M.E. Dawson for spoiling us with their wonderful hospitality and food during our stay at La Vacquerie.



L.F.S

BUSHCRAFT SURVIVAL

Several Boys spent a weekend away this month attending a Bushcraft survival course. They returned absolutely exhausted, but by all accounts had an excellent time. They spent a night out under canvas, and amongst other skills, learnt to skin and gut a rabbit.

DECLAMATION PRIZE

H.M.P

The competition to decide the winners of the Declamation Prize was held on Friday 14th May. Two boys from each form recited poetry and read extracts from novels. The competition was judged by Viscount Lucius Falkland, who had a rather hard time deciding the eventual winners. After much deliberation, the winners were announced as follows:

1st Prize: Ndzi
2nd Prize: Gray
3rd Prize: Clegg ma.

FESTIVAL OF SONG

N.J.G

This year's Festival of Song was a great success. All of the forms did exceptionally well preparing their songs, and a great evening of entertainment was had by all. The solo acts showcased some of the rising talent in the junior part of the school, and we realised just how much we'll miss the talents of some of our leavers.

The results of the Form competition were as follows:

1st Place: Form IVA

2nd Place: Form VI

3rd Place: Form VA



ATHLETICS V BISHOPSGATE & HALL GROVE

B.W.R.H

The Athletics team pulled off an amazing victory on Thursday over Hall Grove and Bishopsgate schools in a three way meeting. They came first in all age groups.

Final Results:

Sunningdale:	178
Hall Grove:	171
Bishopsgate:	88



GO KARTING

The Sunday activity Go Karting trip was once again a tremendous success; there are definitely some budding Lewis Hamiltons lurking within our ranks. The new Go karting centre we visited found favour with the boys for having a longer and more interesting track, and because the Go Karts were apparently much faster!

ELECTION FEVER

D.C.S

Sunningdale was gripped by election fever when we held our own 3 party election debate and voted to elect our favoured representative. It was a close run thing, but the Conservatives led by James Cameron Matti won the day in the end. Well done to all of the representatives for providing such a well researched and knowledgeable debate.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS:

June 7 th :	Common Entrance Examinations Begin	
June 12 th :	Sports Day	12.00 pm
June 27 th :	Charity Day	12.00 pm

More information, including changes to fixtures and team sheets for matches, can be found on the website