



Headlines

First of all, very many congratulations to the boys who have been successful in their scholarship examinations. I very much hope that the CE candidates in Form 8 will have drawn much inspiration from the scholars' performance and that there will be further good news in a few weeks: good luck to them as they take their exams after half term.

After those pretty chilly few days, it has been good to have a return to spring sunshine this week – at least on Wednesday. With plenty of sport it has been good to see boys in action in so many different arenas – cricket, athletics, judo, tennis ... all have seen competitive action in the last few weeks. Sports Day will be upon us soon and I am sure that sunshine is guaranteed for June 7th! We will be starting the event slightly earlier than usual at 1:30pm and a programme of events will be available shortly after half term. See you there!

- Scholarship Success - Congratulations



The Form 8 Scholars (Toby Savill away)

Very well done to the boys who have been successful in winning scholarships this year:

Academic Awards

Caspar Bayliss	Charterhouse
Patrick Edmondson	Wellington
Jack Gault	Wellington
Jon Hall	Charterhouse
Nicholas Lee	Charterhouse
Robert Zorab	Cranleigh

Music Awards

Patrick Edmondson	Wellington
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Music Awards (continued)

Anthony Parker	Charterhouse
James Warrington	Eton

All-Rounder and Sports Awards

Ashley Beddows	Charterhouse
David Buck	Sherborne
Toby Savill	Cranleigh

Other Award - Blackstone Award

Justin Humphries	Charterhouse
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David Buck Sets New Long Jump Record

The 7 Schools' Athletics Tournament took place at The Spectrum in Guildford on Thursday. There were some tremendous performances by Aldro boys, several of whom recorded personal bests in their events. Particular congratulations to Theo Knottenbelt who won the under-12 300m event and to David Buck: David not only won the under-15 long jump, but his winning time of 2m17 in the under-15 800m broke the Aldro record that had stood since 1998 and the 7 Schools Tournament record that had stood since 1984: quite an achievement!



David Buck before breaking the record

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How have our boys been spending their Sundays?



Aldro boys enjoy watching the England Captain hit a Century against New Zealand at Lord's last Sunday.



Is this punishment for not making their beds or is this the London Dungeons?



Loggers Leap at Thorpe Park

CRICKET NEWS

In spite of the abundance of spring showers and some brisk breezes, a great deal of cricket has taken place in the first half of term. The 1st XI has had a good start to their season, winning five out of seven matches and losing only once – when scholarship exams had forced a severe depletion in their team. Particularly notable has been the way in which they have held their nerve to win some very tight matches – a



four-run victory over King's House, Richmond in the Surrey Prep Schools Cup being just one example. The drawn match was against Papplewick and it is probably fair to say that the opposition were thoroughly outplayed on that occasion. Congratulations to Messrs Holderness and Beddows who have both scored half centuries, and to David Buck who has the outstanding achievement of three half centuries and 104 not out so far this term.

Let's not forget the 2nd XI, either: they reach half term unbeaten and have played some excellent cricket into the bargain. Their defeat of Edgeborough on Wednesday was a typical example of a great team effort – although William Quaille's 87 was the foundation of the victory.

Aldro swimmers reach the IAPS National finals



The IAPS finals were held at the K2 pool in Crawley on Saturday and three Aldro boys did extremely well to qualify.

Joshua Andrade Brown, Luke Coghlan and Adam Bagley swam in the freestyle, butterfly and breast-stroke finals.

All three did well with both Luke and Adam coming 8th and Joshua 10th out of the 16 finalists.

Congratulations to all three swimmers.

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GUNFIGHT AT THE DEADWOOD DOOMSTONE SALOON

Written by David Rawson and Jenifer Hillman

A WESTERN SPECTACULAR WITH A BEVY OF COWBOYS, INDIANS AND DANCING GIRLS. THE MYSTERIOUS MASKED MAN RIDES INTO TOWN TO RIGHT THE WRONGS OF BIG BAD JOHN AND HIS GANG OF RUSTLERS. GIRLS WILL SWOON, MEN WILL FIGHT AND CACTI WILL DANCE! NOT TO BE MISSED!

JUNIOR PLAY - 30TH JUNE, 1ST AND 2ND JULY AT 7:00PM



Clean shirt, polished shoes, and tidy hair. It must be picture day!

Wednesday 21st May was picture day at Aldro. Here are a few snaps of the occasion.



Quiz Night Raises Fantastic Amount for Surrey Care Trust

The FOAA's quiz night was a success with over £1100 raised for Surrey Care Trust. The evening was well attended with 17 tables of eager participants ready with answers. However, there was only one winner, the Aston Villains with Goodbye Mr Chips coming in 2nd and Grumpy Old Parents placing 3rd.

Caption Competition Winner

Mr Donaghy regrets choosing white skis . . .

Congratulations Mr Tuddenham on the winning caption.

A Summer's Evening at Wisley

Exclusive private tour of the famous RHS gardens with dinner and gardeners' question time. A fundraising event in aid of the Surrey Care Trust.

**Thursday 19th June 2008
from 6.30pm**

Tickets £50 each to include:

- Tour of the new Glasshouse
- Pimms drinks reception on the terrace overlooking the Seven Acres
- Two course dinner with wine
- Gardeners' Question Time with a panel of experts from RHS



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Under 13 Chess Team win the Guildford League!



Aldro are this years winners of the Guildford league. Our team won all their matches apart from one which was a draw.

The winning team was Jon Hall (Captain), Raunaq Cavet, Ben Ashworth and Huw Thomas.

At the Prize Giving and Jamboree we were without Jon and Raunaq but despite this we were 1st = with the RGS Guildford.

Congratulations to all the boys who played for the team this year.

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Summer Term Calendar 2008

JUNE		
2 Mon		Return from Half Term (Sunday between 8:00pm - 830pm) Common Entrance Form 8H Welsh History trip departs Chess: Boarders League Jamboree
	9:00am 5:15pm	
3 Tues		Common Entrance
4 Wed		Common Entrance Form 8H return from Welsh History Trip
	5:00pm	
5 Thur		Common Entrance
6 Fri		Golf: IAPS Championships - Royal Lytham
7 Sat	2:00pm	Sports Day
8 Sun	10:00am 7:00pm	Cricket: Wellington College U11 6-a-side Tournament Simon Allcock Esq, Wellington College
9 Mon		School Exams
10 Tues		School Exams Form 8 First Aid Course
	9:30am	
11 Wed		School Exams
12 Thur		School Exams Squad Music Competition Final
	7:15pm	
14 Sat	2:00pm	Regatta
15 Sun	7:00pm	Chapel: The Headmaster
16 Mon	11.00am	Athletics: West Surrey Meeting, Eton Scout Camp begins
17 Tues	4:00pm	Form 3 Concert, CHC
19 Thur	4:30pm 5:05pm	Forms 3, 4 and 5 Weekend Leave Forms 6, 7 and 8 Weekend Leave
20 Fri		Weekend Leave
21st-22nd		Weekend Leave

The Devil Takes over Aldro Break Times



As you walk through the grounds of Aldro at break time you could be entering a circus troupe practice session. The Diabolo has come to Aldro and has set the boys spinning!

The diabolo (commonly misspelled as diablo, formerly also known as "the devil on two sticks") is a juggling prop consisting of a spool which is whirled and tossed on a string tied to two sticks held one in each hand. A huge variety of tricks are possible using the sticks, string, and various body parts.

Diabolos come in different shapes and materials. Large/heavier diabolos tend to retain their momentum for longer, whereas small/light diabolos can be thrown higher and are easier to accelerate to high speeds. Rubber diabolos are less prone to breakage. One-sided diabolos are also available but are more difficult to use.

Diabolos evolved from the Chinese yo-yo, which was originally standardised in the 12th century. Chinese yo-yos have a long thin axle, with disc-shaped wheels, while the western diabolo is more cone-shaped.

The most basic act of diabolo manipulation is to cause the spool to spin whilst suspended from the string. This is commonly achieved by dragging the string across the axle in such a way that the friction causes the spool to roll. By repeatedly lifting one of the handsticks (for right handed people, the driving hand is typically the right), the speed can be increased. This method is known as acceleration. Once speed is built up, the diaboloist then typically performs a routine of tricks. The best diaboloists can work these tricks smoothly into one another and keep the diabolo in a constant motion without having to pause to speed up the spin again. The diabolo will stay balanced as long there is speed.

This information was found on <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Diabolo> where there are many tricks both for the novice and the expert.

