



# THE PERSE PELICAN NURSERY AND PRE-PREPARATORY SCHOOL

19 June 2009

## EVENTS

Looking back:

### PENALTY SHOOT OUT DAY

Thank you very much for supporting our Football Fun Day. The children thoroughly enjoyed their coaching sessions with the Cambridge United staff and the Penalty Shoot Out was really good fun for the children and teachers (although we did feel a little sorry for the goalkeepers by the end of the afternoon!!!!)

We have collected a grand total of £2065.82 in sponsorship money! This is fantastic news. We shall be donating £800.00 to Cambridge United's Football in the Community (FITC). FITC work very hard in the local area promoting fitness and healthy living within our community. They work extensively with underprivileged children and young adults including refugees, homeless organisations and disability groups. They also run long-term projects including 'Street Football' and a 'Study Support Centre' based at the Abbey Stadium.

At The Pelican we can now go ahead and spend *lots* of extra money on physical education. Our football fanatics will be delighted as we intend to replace our rather tired looking goal posts and nets with new high quality aluminium goals. We will be inviting the Cambridge United staff back to do a little more coaching and Mrs Clements is also trying to book a number of specialists to visit the school and provide coaching, for pupils and staff, in skipping and dance.

### THE SUMMER FETE

We are enormously grateful, as ever, to the APP Committee for planning this event and also for motivating everyone to play their part in what really was a fun day for the Pelican families. Between them Mrs Carr, Mrs Owers, Mrs Routledge and Mrs Wentzell had thought of every detail and everyone had a super, and very relaxed, time. As a lovely bonus the Fete raised a magnificent amount of money - £1529.99. Thank you to all who supported us.

### HEAD BACK TO SCHOOL DAY

Gosh, it is hard work being a Pelican! I refer you to the school's website for my report of the day. Thank you for your contributions, which raised the sum of £200.29 for EACH.

### SPORTS DAY

The weather finally played its part and we all thoroughly enjoyed this happy occasion. The Upper School playing field has proved to be a very popular venue and I am delighted that we were able to hold this event there again this year. Thank you to all who came and contributed to the positive atmosphere.

### Looking forward:

There are a number of events coming up for different year groups and we are looking forward to marking the conclusion of the school year at each of them. The classes concerned will advise you of specific details relating to their own special occasion, but I mention here the

### END OF YEAR SERVICE

This will start promptly at 9.00a.m. on Friday, 03 July at the church of St John the Evangelist on Hills Road. We welcome all of you to this service, but should just mention that seating is quite limited, as our pupils will need a significant number of the chairs. You are asked to congregate inside the main entrance to the church grounds ready for 9.00 a.m. We suggest that, since parking is very restricted in the area around the church, you park in Glebe Road and walk up to the church.

**The children must wait in a calm, sensible manner. Firstly because they will be on church property and secondly because we would not wish them to enter the church for our service in an excitable state. It will help if you do not arrive too early.**

I will ring a bell at 9.00a.m. and the children should then make their way sedately to their teacher, who will be standing on the grassy area in front of the church. At this point we assume our responsibility for the children and it will remain with us thereafter, including on the walk back to the school after the service. After handing the children to their teacher you are invited to take your places in the church.

After the service we are happy for you to walk with the class on our journey back to school, but your child(ren) must walk within their class group; which will be lead by the teacher and the teaching assistant will be at the rear of the class.

The Nursery (Younger Group) children are free to leave with their adult(s) directly after the service.

Regular attendees at Early Start may come to school as normal that morning. **Please make sure that Mrs Norman is aware of any changes to your usual booking of this facility.** Pelican staff will walk to and from the church with these children.

### REPORTS

These are coming out today. We do appreciate it when parents provide us with feedback.

### ADDITIONAL LEARNING SUPPORT ASSISTANT

Mrs Sarah Meakin will be working in 1AW for 20 hours each week, starting in September. She has been assigned specifically to work alongside one child to support him with his speech disorder and we warmly welcome her to the team. She has worked with us previously, so it is more a case of welcome back!

### EARLY NOTICE

With effect from the new academic year, the Pelican and Prep end of term for both the Autumn and Spring terms has been brought into line with those of the Upper School i.e. the end of a normal school day and not lunch time. We will still close at lunch time at the end of the Summer terms.

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