

THE BANDA SCHOOL

WEEKLY CIRCULAR

Week 6

27th May 2010

Dear Pupils, Staff and Parents,

I write to express my sincere thanks for all the messages of condolences and support that I have received from The Banda community. This has helped enormously in the difficult days that have now passed. My immediate family were extremely impressed with the obvious warm affection The Banda community extended to us during difficult times.

I am really looking forward to returning this weekend and getting back into the routine of The Banda. I have missed the excitement and buzz of the school environment.

May I take this opportunity to wish everyone a restful and enjoyable Half-Term break with their families. We look forward to welcoming you all back on Wednesday 2nd June.

Once again, my sincere thanks for all your thoughts and prayers.

With best wishes,

M. D. Dickson

13+ COMMON ENTRANCE EXAMINATIONS Monday 7th - Wednesday 9th June 2010

The Common Entrance Examinations start on Monday 7th and finish on Wednesday 9th June. Please ensure the candidates are well organised with the relevant stationery, calculator, etc.

Good luck to all the Year 8's in their exams.

S. Winchester

Senior School Examinations (Years 5 - 7) Wednesday 9th - Friday 11th June 2010

These start on Wednesday 9th June and continue through to Friday 11th June. The Exam timetable has been sent home in this envelope. Please ensure that all children have the appropriate equipment - pens, pencils, rulers, calculators, etc.

S. Winchester

EXTRA FIXTURE FOR U11A GIRLS NETBALL Tuesday 15th June

On Tuesday 15th June the U11A Girls will be playing Netball against Brookhouse at 3.20 p.m. and then against Peponi at 3.40 p.m. Collection time from Brookhouse will be 4.00 p.m., Banda 4.15 p.m.

S. Kenworthy

FUND RAISERS FOR NAIROBI GREENLINE Thursday 3rd June

We are fortunate in sharing our school boundary with Nairobi National Park. For many years we have appreciated this proximity. However, the park is constantly under threat from land grabbing, pollution and encroachment.

Nairobi Greenline is an initiative to counteract the detrimental effects of the factories along the park boundary from the Mombasa road to Athi River. On Saturday 5th June (World Environment Day) you can show your support by joining the human chain from Carnivore to Cheetah gate. Greenline T-shirts can be purchased from major outlets to raise money to plant indigenous seedlings along the 30km target zone. More information is available on nairobigreenline@kensta.com.

At The Banda we shall be running some fundraisers ourselves. There will be a mufti day (wear as much green as possible) on Thursday 3rd June for Years 2 to 8. Please bring in Kshs.50.00 for Mufti Day.

Also on Thursday 3rd June there will be cake sales in both the Junior and Senior School. Year 4's, 6HW, 6TM and 5BS have been asked to bring in cakes. (No nuts please). Pupils will need to bring in Kshs.50.00 to buy a cake at breaktime.

In addition there will be a Win a Prize competition in action at the wall from Wednesday 2nd June. This will involve 'buying a square of Nairobi National Park' at Kshs.50.00 a square. Please encourage your friends and families to get involved in order to help protect our park.

H. Winchester

HILLCREST YEAR 7 INDUCTION DAY

We have just received a letter from Hillcrest Secondary with regards to their Induction Day scheduled for Tuesday 22nd June. All Year 7's have been given information from Hillcrest regarding this and are welcome to attend. However, please note some children have LAMDA exams at The Banda on this day. If any parents of these children are interested in Hillcrest as a future school, please contact Hillcrest Secondary directly to make a private appointment. Many thanks. **S. Winchester**

BROOKHOUSE MUSIC FESTIVAL Tuesday 25th May 2010

On Tuesday, members of the Senior Choir took part in the annual Choir Festival at Brookhouse School. We were one of twelve schools competing in this year's event. Our choir performed *Killing Me Softly* and made an awesome job of what is quite a difficult song! Their performance earned them praise from the adjudicators for their tone, diction, ensemble sense and overall stage presence. In addition to each school's item, the choirs joined together to perform Louis Armstrong's classic, *What a Wonderful World*. Following the festival, everybody had lunch together, which was a great end to a very enjoyable morning.

R. Brierley

PEGASUS PRE-PREP NEWS

KINDERGARTEN FRIENDLY FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT AT THE BANDA Friday 18th June 2010

Forget The Banda Netball Tournament, forget The Ndume Sevens, the highlight of this term's sporting calendar is the Kindergarten Football Tournament on Friday 18th June. Ten nursery schools are sending teams of 6 year olds to play soccer at The Banda to what will be a frantic, but fun, morning. The morning kicks off at 9.00 a.m. and will finish by 12.00 p.m. **S. Kenworthy**

RESULTS

TUESDAY 25TH MAY

U11A Boys' Rugby - W - Kenton 7, Banda 42
U11B Boys' Rugby - L - Kenton 28, Banda 12
U11A Girls' Netball - L - Kenton 14, Banda 1
U11B Girls' Netball - L - Kenton 12, Banda 9
U11C Girls' Netball - L - Kenton 9, Banda 8

FIXTURES AND EVENTS

WEDNESDAY 2ND JUNE

School restarts - a.m.

1st Boys' Rugby v Peponi (h) - 3.00 p.m.
3rd Girls' Netball v Peponi (h) - 3.00 p.m.
4th Girls' Netball v Peponi (h) - 3.00 p.m.

Collection time Banda 4.00 p.m.

1st Girls' Netball v Peponi (a) - 3.00 p.m.
2nd Girls' Netball v Peponi (a) - 3.00 p.m.

Collection time Peponi 4.00 p.m., Banda 5.00 p.m.

THURSDAY 3RD JUNE

U9A Boys' Rugby v Hillcrest (a) - 2.30 p.m.

Collection time Hillcrest 3.15 p.m., Banda normal time

U9B Boys' Rugby v Brookhouse A (h) -
2.30 p.m.

U9A Girls' Netball v Hillcrest (h) - 2.30 p.m.

U9B Girls' Netball v Brookhouse A (h) -
2.30 p.m.

Collection time Banda normal time

FRIDAY 4TH JUNE

1st Boys' VI Tennis v Peponi (a) - 3.00 p.m.

Collection time Peponi 4.30 p.m., Banda 5.30 p.m.

1st Girls' VI Tennis v Peponi (h) - 3.00 p.m.

Collection time Banda 4.30 p.m.