

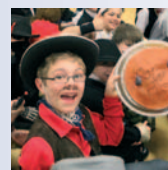


THE KING'S SCHOOL  
CHESTER

# HERALD

All the news from The King's School, Chester

From the sports fields to symphonies,  
from extreme reading to exciting trips,  
there's never a dull moment at King's  
Juniors School!



Open  
morning  
for ages 7-18  
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## Outstanding quality

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# An outstanding quality of education



The King's School Junior School pupils and teachers are celebrating after receiving an excellent inspection report from

The Independent Schools' Inspectorate. The quality of educational experience for pupils was described as being "outstanding", providing pupils with an

"excellent all-round education that helps children succeed academically, and to develop well personally." The provision for their social, moral, spiritual and cultural education was also described as "outstanding".

The report commended both, "strong pastoral arrangements" which underpin the quality of provision and extracurricular activities which "play a significant role in enhancing the children's development."

Head of The King's School Junior School, **Mr Simon Malone**, commented, "The inspection team's description of The Junior School as a "vibrant and creative environment" with "hard-working, happy learners," sums up what the Junior School is all about. The staff and I are naturally delighted with the report's conclusions."



## Taking reading to the extreme

Around the world, there can be no doubt that the pupils from the Junior School are avid readers.

Entries to the third annual **Extreme Reading Competition** included pictures of children reading in all kinds of places

from ski slopes to beaches, in water, on water and above water (perched perilously high up a mast), on the back of a cow and on a sledge pulled by a team of dogs! The winners, chosen for their enterprising and entertaining photographs, were **Aled Bennett J1, Annie Powell J2, Daniel Green J3 and Will Smith J4.**

## Readathon raises £1500

Junior School pupils were encouraged to gain sponsorship from friends and relatives for reading as many books as they could.

A sum in excess of £1500 was raised for the **Roald Dahl Foundation** and the **Malcolm Sargent Cancer Fund for Children.**



## AJIS Proms

Junior School pupils Angus Menzies, Lucy Peel, Simon Ellershaw, Sam Edwardson and Daniel Weatherly took part in the first ever AJIS Proms evening, conducted by Stephen Threlfall, Director at Chetham's School of Music.

During the concert, the **orchestra performed the National Anthem**, Wallace and Gromit's theme tune, "Can you feel the Love Tonight" from The Lion King and the theme tune from Harry Potter.



There were also **two excellent violin solos from Edward Pether** of Chetham's. Professor Wen Zhou Li helped arrange the music. Professor Li is regarded as one of the most successful violin teachers in the UK and was introduced to teaching by Yehudi Menuhin.

# Junior Sports Day



Some new school records were set:

**Tom Thelwall-Jones** – Boys' 600m

**Harry Armitage** – Boys' 600m and Long Jump

**Sam Pode** – Boys' 600m

**Emily Boothroyd** – Girls' 600m

The House Athletics Cup Winners for 2009 were Falles for J1/J2, and Lindans for J2/J3.

Victor and Victrix Ludorum winners were:

J1: **Olivia Hughes** and **Paddy McClelland**

J2: **Tom Thelwall-Jones** and **Isobel Wild**

J3: **Harry Armitage** and **Niamh Jones**

J4: **Emily Boothroyd** and **Tommy Speed**

A record number of parents attended the Junior Sports Day in June. Despite the threatening clouds, the weather remained fine for a fun day of Junior sports with J1 and J2 in the morning and J3 and J4 in the afternoon.



## Making a splash at Swimming Gala



The Junior School competed at the Chester and District Primary Schools' Gala at Chester City Baths.

Three boys' and three girls' teams were entered. All three boys' teams got into the final and came in 1st, 3rd and 4th places. Farndon came in Second.

The girls' A team got into the final and came 1st, in second place was Queen's A team and in third, Merton House's A team!



## Junior Soccer Team pick up the AJIS Cup again



The King's School Junior School U11A football team have had a highly successful campaign this season, rounded off by winning the highly acclaimed AJIS Cup (Association of Junior Independent Schools). This is the second time in the last three years that King's has won the trophy, being losing finalists last year.

After a tense first half, King's began to gain the upper hand against opponents Stockport

Grammar School and ran out 3-0 winners. The team displayed a steely determination throughout, working hard whilst also playing some good football. It was a victory that was richly deserved.

After the match, players, parents and team manager enjoyed a social evening together to celebrate the team's success.

The team have won 23 of a possible 26 matches this season and in addition to winning the AJIS Cup, success had been achieved in scooping the 7-a-side trophy played earlier in the season.





## The day when books came to life



March saw a welcome opportunity for the Juniors to let their hair down after the Inspection Week.

Every child and all the teachers joined in to celebrate books and storytelling. Teachers and pupils spent the day dressed as book characters. Wherever you turned there was **Harry Potter**, the **Cat in the Hat** or maybe **Prince Charming** and some very **ugly sisters**.

St Patrick's Day was not forgotten either and Assembly was led by a very smart green leprechaun! In all the fun the pupils remembered people who do not have access to many books and **money raised has gone to support the work of Book Aid International**.



Juniors Seniors Sixth Form

Co-educational excellence for boys and girls, aged 7-18

## Open Morning for ages 7-18

**Saturday 17th October 2009, 9.30am**

An opportunity to visit and tour our Junior and Senior Schools and the Sixth Form Centre, meet the staff and current pupils, and see the facilities.

Call **01244 689553**

email: [admissions@kingschester.co.uk](mailto:admissions@kingschester.co.uk)



## A grand old trip to York

York, a city steeped in history, was the setting for an exciting, if exhausting, overnight trip for the Junior School's Fourth Year.

Eden Camp was the first port of call. The pupils experienced life during The Blitz, became aware of the effect of rationing, entered the darkened depths of life on a U Boat, were serenaded by the delightful voice of Vera Lynn and amused by a

recitation of 'Albert and the Lion'.



The evening was spent touring York on foot. The pupils were led by a guide, a talented storyteller, who paused now and again to regale the group with gruesome tales from York's chequered history. Did you know that **Dick Turpin** spent his last night in the condemned cell at York?

The final day was spent at **The Castle**

**Museum**, where the Fourth Year walked down a **Victorian Street**, ate Victorian sweets and spent their money at the gift shop! The tour of the museum ended with a visit to **Dick Turpin's condemned cell** where pupils were able to sit on his very bed whilst hearing of the bizarre twist of fate which had led to his fatal capture.

**What a difference specs make!**

'**Monsters of the Deep**' in 3D was a frightening experience but one which the Fourth Year revelled in. **The Bradford Museum of Photography** gave the pupils the chance to appear in their own version of a soap opera and have a go at presenting the news – live. **What a trip!!**



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