



Message from the Head



A proud moment!

On 2nd February, 2010, I was very proud to attend an event, hosted by Christine Gilbert (Her Majesty's Chief Inspector) to celebrate the award to Healing of "Outstanding School Status". It was a very grand occasion held in Manchester Town Hall and it was very nice to meet other school heads

who had also joined this 'exclusive club'.

Thank you again to all pupils, parents, governors and staff who worked so hard to secure this accolade.

Best wishes
Mrs A Addison



Top tips for Healthy School Lunches

- Aim for five portions of fruit and vegetables a day - have some chopped up in a pot. For example carrot, cucumber, cherry tomatoes, orange segments or pineapple chunks or just pack a piece of fruit such as a banana, apple or orange. You could also bring a box of dried fruit like raisins or simply put fruit and vegetables in your sandwich.
- Try not to eat too many high fat foods such as crisps, chocolates and cakes. Also avoid sugary drinks as they cause tooth decay. Instead drink plenty of water, unsweetened fruit juice or 'no added sugar' drinks.
- Bring a carton of milk or try yoghurts.
- Put a healthy filling in your sandwiches such as ham and tomato, egg and cress, tuna and sweetcorn or chicken salad and use granary or wholemeal bread for sandwiches for extra fibre and energy.

Important News



The whole school community knows of the great benefits that access to ICT brings to our learners. The government has recognised this and launched the "Home Access scheme" to help families get online by providing free computer systems and internet access. Full details are available on the Home Access website www.homeaccess.org.uk or please contact Mr Crosby for further information. If you are interested, resources are limited and therefore you are advised to make an application as soon as possible.

During the Summer term our new Virtual Learning Environment (VLE) will be launched. This is an exciting development that will provide parents access to information previously only available in hard copy, for example parents will be able to access attendance and assessment information for their child online. Pupils will also benefit by being able to easily access files in their user areas (no more lost and forgotten memory sticks!) and the school email system.

Mr S Crosby

A new cashless system for purchasing school meals.

Advance notice.

Please note that from 20th April our current system using "Smart Cards" will be replaced by a new biometric system. The new cashless system will speed up the process for pupils to purchase food and "top up" their account. Further information will be provided in a letter for all parents and carers.

Miss S O'Hare

Forthcoming Events

Monday 22nd February - Term 4 begins

Friday 26th February - Y11 CSI Enterprise Day

Wednesday 3rd March - Y10 Science A Exam (am)

Wednesday 10th March - German Exchange week

Thursday 11th March - Blah Blah Theatre Co (Y10 Drama)

Tuesday 16th March - Support your child's learning in Science (pm)

Wednesday 24th March - Y8 Girls Engineering Challenge (all day)

Monday 29th March - Y8 Combined Parents & KS4 Options Evening

Thursday 1st April - Term 4 ends

HEALING X-COUNTRY TEAMS ARE CHAMPIONS

After turning out for their school team on two cold and wet Saturday mornings Healing School runners qualified to represent the school at the N E Lincs Championships which were held at the Country Park, Humberston.

All the teams did very well and there were also some great individual results.



The Year 7 boys' results were outstanding, with Healing School taking six of the top eleven places – what an achievement! The team took top position.

The Year 7 girls also did very well with two of our

runners in the top ten places. Overall the Year 7 Girls team came second – another fantastic achievement. The Years 8 & 9 Girls team also had a fantastic set of results. They came first overall!

In the Years 10 & 11 boys race Howie Davies from Healing School produced a great run to come in first place.

A great performance from all our runners.

Any runner who came in the top ten places in their race will now go on to represent Grimsby & District Schools in the Humberside Cross-country Championships on Saturday 6th February.

Year 8 Girls Hockey

The Year 8 hockey team have done very well recently. They won the Grimsby & District round of Mini-hockey where they all played very well. They then went on to play in the Humberside round which was played in Hull. On the day they were up against some very strong opposition but produced some excellent hockey. They won two and lost one of their matches. This put them in to the semi-finals against Hymers Girls College 'A' team. Again Healing School played some fantastic hockey and kept the opposition out for most of the game. Unfortunately Hymers managed to break through and won 3-0. This is a terrific achievement for the Year 8 team. The same team also won the Grimsby & District schools indoor hockey tournament.

Year 9 Basketball

The Year 9 boys have been taking part in the Grimsby & District schools Under 14 Central Venue Basketball League. They played some great games and worked very well as a team. They got the results they deserved and were overall winners.

The Grimsby & District Quiz League

Secondary Schools Quiz Challenge 2010

Healing School was very well represented at this successful annual event, hosted by Hereford Technology School. We entered two teams into the event. Our Under 13 team consisted of Andrew Webb & Taylor White (Yr 7), Evie Coates & Jordan Cressey (Yr 8), Ben Fileman & Matthew Webb (Yr 9), Ben Webber & Gemma Wesley (Yr 10), competed in the Under 15 team.

The two teams competed against the other secondary schools in N E Lincolnshire, answering questions on Recent News, Science & Maths, Sport, Books & Media, Music & Humanities. In addition they had to identify some famous faces and places in the two picture rounds.

The team work and competitiveness of our students was great to see. The Under 13 team achieved 1st place, being crowned the U13 Champions. The under 15 team worked hard to fight off the strong competition, but unfortunately did not do quite enough to be placed in the top three.

The "GDQL Secondary Schools Quiz Challenge Champions" perpetual trophy goes to the school with the highest combined score from the two age groups. We were delighted when the results were announced that Healing were Runners-Up, with 117 points. All our students were a credit to themselves, their teams and the school. Special mention must go to Evie Coates and Gemma Wesley for keeping their respective teams in order!

Mrs Watcham



Year 7 Boys

Congratulations go to the Yr 7 boys who won the Yr 7 Grimsby Schools basketball tournament, hosted by Oasis Academy, Wintringham. They also won the Grimsby & District Schools Yr 7 rugby tournament, held at Grimsby Rugby club. The team will now take part in the County Finals in Sleaford.

Full reports available on the school website—www.healingsc.co.uk



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