



## HIGH TIMES OCTOBER 2010

The term started with excellent news about our summer examinations results which showed that KHS achieves outstanding academic performance. We just get better and better. In 2010, 75% of students (120) achieved 5+ A\* - C grades at GCSE, 8% up on last year 10% up on 2008. 64% of students (102) achieved 5+ A\* - C grades at GCSE including English & Maths, 8% up on last year 17% up on 2008. 50% of A level papers taken scored A\* , A or B grades. These performances are way above previous National Averages and put us in the highest echelons of schools nationally. In 2010, we achieved outstanding sporting performance, 100% of students taking GCSE qualifications in PE achieved A\*-C grades. We are very proud of these achievements; they are testament to the hard work of students and staff and the support of parents and friends at home.

We also had excellent news about the Artificial Turf Pitch, as, at last, we were granted planning permission! Construction is due to start early in 2011 with a projected opening date of June 2011. We will keep you posted on progress.

A further cause for celebration has been the achievement of the Full International School Award. Our international links continue to prosper. We have just received a grant to enable us to send two teachers and at least six students to Sri Lanka in the next 12 months and we have been invited to take part in an Area Schools Linking visit to Adelaide in the Spring. It is so important that our young people see themselves as citizens of the world; the relationships and mutual understanding that are engendered through these links with schools abroad are invaluable.

The annual sponsored walk was a splendid occasion. Thank you to everyone for your flexibility in adapting when the weather forecast indicated Wednesday was the best date for this event. It was almost surreal to see hundreds of "Wallies" strung out around the field throughout the day. Driving into school certainly

brought a smile to my face as every bus stop I passed had a cluster of waiting "Wallies"! The entire school congregated on the field in the afternoon to give hearty support to an inter-house staff and student obstacle race. KHS at its best. Our target is £10,000, to help with the cost of refurbishing the dining room. The money has been coming in steadily, £4,600 so far. The Sixth form gave a superb lead to this day and are to be applauded for the fine example they set for the rest of the school.

Open Evening and Day were both very popular this year. The school looked magnificent and I was delighted by the large numbers of students who returned in the evening to help staff display learning at KHS and to talk candidly to prospective students and their parents about life at the school.

Year 7 have all settled in really well and are already making good progress with their learning. It was good to see so many parents at the Year 7 Parents' Conference the first of many opportunities for parents and staff to meet together over the next seven years. Surgery continues to be popular with all parents which is great. We are delighted to see people on a Wednesday evening any time between 5.30pm and 7.00pm, so do drop in.

Our School Development Plan 2010-2013 is available via the school website. Do not hesitate to contact me if you would like to discuss any aspect of this plan. We now judge the school to be good or better in all Ofsted categories.

This edition of High Times is packed full of stories that lift the heart and make us proud to be members of the KHS community, enjoy.

**Julia Morris**

## YEAR 7

Year 7 have settled into KHS very well. I have been really pleased to see such great teamwork going on. It was fantastic to see them all dressed up for their first sponsored walk and keen to represent their houses and gain housepoints for them.

Congratulations to those students who have not yet had a day off, there have been many bugs around and this is a long term for Year 7. Well done, attendance makes a big difference to students' academic progress.

Students have managed very well with the Independent Learning Tasks and have completed some very promising work.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind Year 7 about the various sports clubs that are on offer after school and that we are always looking for enthusiastic people who are willing to come to practice to represent their school. It is always a great privilege to represent Kineton High School and play for our teams. Speak to your PE teacher for any more information.

Well done to Year 7 for rising to the challenges that Secondary School offers and for working hard in all their academic studies. It has been great to see so many students settle in with such ease and to be really enjoying their time with us.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the dedicated form tutors who work really hard with Year 7.

I have enjoyed meeting many familiar and new faces amongst the Year 7 parents and I look forward to continuing to work with you.

**Mrs Jo Blake**

**Head of Year 7**

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I have really enjoyed my first half term at Kineton High School and have made lots of new friends. I think that the new Independent Learning Tasks are great as I prefer to do mini projects as homework rather than lots of worksheets. All of my teachers are really friendly and I look forward to the rest of this year.

**Emily Allan 7JH**

Megan in 7BM is part of the English Vaulting Squad and has just returned from Kentucky, America competing in this year's World Equestrian Games! Last month Megan appeared with the Squad on a special episode of Blue Peter, to talk about the World Equestrian Games, where she was the star of the show.

Earlier this year the Squad retained their title as Senior British Champions at the 2010 British Championships in Scotland and they have high hopes of coming top 6 in the World Equestrian Games. Well done Megan!



The girl at the top is Megan!

Megan writes:

My name is Megan and I recently returned from a trip to Kentucky USA. I was a member of the Great Britain Vaulting Squad competing in the World Equestrian Games.

Lexington, Kentucky is considered the horse capital of the world! As you can imagine this was a pretty amazing place. Our competition comprised of three rounds. Vaulting is best described as gymnastics on horseback to music. The team finished 7<sup>th</sup> in the world – achieving our best scores to date. Also achieved, was vaulting's first ever gold medal – won by GB vaulter Joey Eccles.

I have worked very hard over the last 12 months to get to the World Equestrian Games, training four times a week, including almost every weekend and most holidays – I have to say, it has all been worth it! I was the youngest member of the entire British Team, standing alongside well known riders such as Pippa Funnell, William Fox-Pitt, Carl Hester and Lee Pearson.

I am very proud to have represented Great Britain and I hope to continue to do so in the future.

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## ADLINGTON HOUSE

Last year ended on a real high - winning the KS3 goalball competition, the World Cup display competition, the inter-house quiz competition and the inter-house rowing competition. Overall we came in 2<sup>nd</sup> place for the House Cup – behind Redgrave by a mere 75 points! Special mention goes to our Top 5 students: Polly Caley ADL/JLS, 151 house points, Jessica Allan ADL/RP, 130 house points, Henry Reynolds ADL/JPE, 126 house points, Milly Yearly ADL/HG, 124 house points and Anna Wood ADL/RP, 123 house points. ADL/JPE gained the highest number of house points overall in Adlington with a total of 1580.

This year we are aiming for bigger and better things and have made an excellent start to the new school year. Currently we are 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Inter-House Quiz, ADL/HF are 1<sup>st</sup> in the quiz in Adlington and 1<sup>st</sup> overall in the other house groups, we came 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Sponsored Walk laps/events and 1<sup>st</sup> in the 'Where's Wally?' logo competition. Last week we worked on a 'Waste to Craft' competition, and forthcoming competitions/events include Year 9 War Poetry and Black History month - plenty for us to become really involved with during Tutor time.

This year's Sponsored Walk was a tremendous success, based on the theme 'Where's Wally?' For once the weather was kind to us, with everyone being able to join in the different activities. Special mention go to the following students for completing a high number of laps: Halloran Pearson ADL/HF, Shaun Price ADL/HF, Oliver Valentine ADL/JPE, Kieran Povey ADL/HF, Jack Foster ADL/DM, Jon Freeman ADL/HG, Jack Zuliani ADL/HF, Hannah Graham ADL/HF and Josh Meadows ADL/JLS.

Adlington House Captains for this year are Callum Graham and Amy Richardson. They have been working hard with different groups of students in the organisation of House events and the Student Council in order to build upon our success from last year.

Forthcoming dates in the calendar for the different year groups are as follows:

October 19<sup>th</sup> – Year 11 Science ISA, October 21<sup>st</sup> – Year 11 Parents' Evening, November 16<sup>th</sup> - Year 11 into 6<sup>th</sup> Form Information Evening, November 11<sup>th</sup> – Year 9 Parents' Evening, November 22<sup>nd</sup> – Flexible Curriculum Day, November 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> 'Grease' performance, November 29<sup>th</sup> – December 10<sup>th</sup> – Year 11 Mock Exams. For Year 11 this is a crucial time as coursework is now well underway, and thorough preparation for Mock Exams is essential if students are to gain the most from this experience.

**Ms Lynn Pratt**  
**Head of Adlington House**  
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## AINSLIE HOUSE

This has been an excellent, albeit hectic, start to the Autumn Term, and as ever, Ainslie students have approached this year with the enthusiasm and commitment that they are renowned for. This was particularly exemplified in the 'Where's Wally' themed Sponsored Walk day – it was an incredible honour and great fun to walk the first laps of the site with 160+ Ainslie Wallies.

Despite winning Sports Day, we only came third in the inter-house housepoints competition last year and are therefore determined to win this time round.

Ainslie has three new tutors in the team: Miss Payne, Miss Loveridge and Mrs Green. They have already made a great contribution to the team with their fresh ideas and approaches – my thanks to them and the rest of the Ainslie Tutors.

We are currently rehearsing for the Grease performances in November. The main cast, chorus and dance troupe have all been selected and the show is shaping up well – it should be brilliant, so I look forward to seeing you all in the audience.

**Mr Jonathan Mattacola**  
**Head of Ainslie House**  
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## HOY HOUSE

Well done, what a fabulous start! We won Sponsored Walk day! It is so exciting that we have made such a positive start. I am really impressed that some students managed to walk over 19 laps of the school grounds and raise so much money. I was also really pleased to see that every student has started to collect housepoints for HOY. I have a very good feeling about our success for the coming two terms.

**Miss Claudine Purnell**  
**Head of Hoy House**  
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## REDGRAVE HOUSE

It has been a very busy start to the new academic year, with lots of different things going on. Here are some of the views from members of Redgrave House.

**Mr Naveen Tyagi**  
**Head of Redgrave House**  
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We have had a great start to the new school year. Open evening was great fun and I was glad to be a part of it. After playing a few songs for the parents and children, I listened to the awesome music coming from the music rooms. The bands were great and I'm sure the visitors enjoyed listening to them!

The food department were selling delicious muffins!

**Katie Stanton RED/PL**

James Lloyd completed 20 laps on the Sponsored Walk – equal top with Arlo Jackson, also in Redgrave. The whole class turned out in Wally costumes.

In Sports Day Emma Chapple Hyam RED/DD and Posy Spencer RED/LJH came first and second overall in Year 11 girls for participating in all events.

In the first whole school quiz of the year we gained top marks and full points due to whole class participation.

Three of our form members: Christian Squire, James Lloyd and Sam Pick all participated in school rugby and are proud of their teamwork.

How the year's gone so far:

"A good year"  
"Spectacular"  
"A good start"  
"An enthusiastic start"  
"A top right start"

## SIXTH FORM

Welcome back to Year 13 students and welcome to the Sixth Form, Year 12. Both year groups have settled well into the common room and the atmosphere during the day is one of work and productivity.

Thank you to all parents who attended either the Year 12 or Year 13 Information Evening. I hope that you found it useful and that it clarified the main points of Sixth Form study. It is so important for us to meet you and discuss your child's progress right from the start of term. Please stay in touch with tutors or with me throughout the school year and we can help immediately with concerns or questions.

A reminder to Year 12 parents that Work Experience needs to be sorted out before November. Ideally, the placement should in some way complement students' future plans or build upon skills that they will need. Please contact Mr Perkin if you need any advice.

At the time of writing, Year 13 students are hurriedly finishing off their personal statements so that they can send off their university applications. We always aim to get our forms in as early as possible to give our students the best possible chance of getting in. And it works! Every student who started Higher Education this autumn from Kineton Sixth Form went to their first or second choice university, and we hope for the same levels of success this time around.

After half term, once everyone is accustomed to their timetable and workload, we shall start the preparations for Charity Week, so look out for more information about the Charity Auction, the evening shows and anything else that gets organised. Charity Week is renowned not only for the amount of money that the students raise, but for the effort and endurance that the

Sixth Form put into it, and we look forward to inviting you to take part.

In November, we will be welcoming Year 11 students to the Sixth Form Information Evening, where they will be invited to make their A-level choices. I will send more information out about this nearer the time, but for your information, the Sixth Form Application Forms do not need to be handed in until January 14<sup>th</sup>, giving all students the chance to seriously consider their options over the Christmas holidays.

**Miss Helen Sharpe**  
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## HOUSE REPORT

The term kicked off with our very first House competition of the year: the sponsored walk. There were so many students dressed as Wally that it made it easy to spot him for a change! The day was a great success due to the hard work and fantastic efforts of the whole sixth form and the excellent organisation of the House Captains. So thank you – you were brilliant! A big thank you goes out to those students who raised money which will go towards the refurbishment of the school dining-room.

Upcoming house competitions to look out for:  
The Commonwealth games 'waste to craft' competition is still open, so get your waste and unwanted items turned into something amazing!

**Miss Bigham – Ainslie**

**Mr Brock – Hoy**

**Miss Mimms – Redgrave**

**Mr Payne - Adlington**

**Assistant Heads of House**



**Where's Wally?**

Sponsored walk was a complete success for Ainslie House! Our stalls were all extremely popular, raising the most money out of all the Houses. Unlike past years we were really lucky with the weather as the sun was shining all day.

Well done to everyone for raising money to refurbish the dining-room. Make sure everyone brings in their sponsor money so that we can reach our target of £10,000.



### Sponsored Walk

Sponsored walk day was a great day because we had lots of sun all day, we were all glad about this because we didn't get wet! My t-shirt would have been a mess if it had rained as the stripes were painted on! It was great to see everyone dressed up as Wally including the teachers.

The sixth formers had set up lots of fun activities like: pin the glasses on the Wally, Wally assault course, soak the teachers. As well as walking laps around the school grounds (each lap was 1.5 miles), we were also allowed to go on the rowing machines and cycling machines. I think this was a great way to raise money for the school and I enjoyed it very much.

**Barnes Battison 7JH**

## House Competitions:

The ICT department ran a logo competition at the start of the term to coincide with the sponsored walk. There were some excellent entries and the best were from:

Lucy Marlow – ADL/HF

James Owen – ADL/RP

Hattie Mills – AIN/JK

The House quiz runs every week and currently the standings are as follows:

**First Redgrave 883 points**

Second: Adlington 833 points

Third: Hoy 709 points

Fourth: Ainslie 375 points

The overall Housepoint Total at the moment is:

**Adlington – 2105**

Hoy – 2018

Redgrave – 1953

Ainslie - 1590

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## Year 8 and 9 trip to Compton Verney

Fascinating, extraordinary and original! These are just three words that a group of Year 8 and Year 9 students chose to describe their day at Compton Verney Art Gallery. On Friday 8<sup>th</sup> October fourteen students had the opportunity to take part in a creative writing workshop at Compton Verney. They used sculptures and paintings to inspire their writing. Their work will eventually be published in a new and improved gallery guide.

The students said: 'It's been good because it's different to our normal English lessons. We went around the gallery exploring different works of art and learnt the

stories behind them. It was a great day out and it was unusual. We got to write from the perspective of the house, writing about all the things it must have seen.'

The students did some outstanding written work and were able to present this at the end of the day.

'Thanks for a great day' - Miss Mimms

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## Student Leadership:

The academic term has begun and we are in our first round of nominations and awards for student leadership.

**Student Leadership – Nominations, September 2010**

**Charlotte Wheeler and Felicity Standing, 6<sup>th</sup> Form – Sociology**

Reason: Charlotte and Felicity researched and then presented to the group on the topic of 'Marxist feminism'. They worked together in delegating tasks and producing a power point and handout for the rest of the group. They were both enthusiastic and committed in ensuring a great learning resource was produced to help the learning of the others. They both showed great confidence with the material and good communication skills in imparting the information to the rest of the group.

**Ashley Arman, Kat Shone - AINSLIE, Callum Graham, Amy Richardson – ADLINGTON, Joe Hollis, Charlotte Finnegan – HOY and Rob Lilley and Sophie Heaviside – REDGRAVE. Sponsored Walk.**

Reason: Sponsored Walk. The House Captains have done a fantastic job this year in organising and running the sixth form for the sponsored walk. Although the individual House Captains have been singled out, it is a reflection of the great leadership skills that our sixth form students have and show, not only at whole school events such as these but on a day to day basis.

## Student Leadership Award for September:

Name: Chris HOY/CMP, Jonathan HOY/CMP



### Reason for award:

Chris and Jonathan volunteered to help a younger student in their tutor group with their maths. Initially they had to meet with Mrs Purser to get the information about the course and the topics that needed to be covered. They then took responsibility in coaching the programme to the student. Their communication and motivation have proved to be fantastic in helping to develop not only the maths skills of the younger student but also their social skills in being more confident in communicating with other students.

### Leader's reflection:

Chris and Jonathan see it as a great accomplishment that they have been able to help the development of a younger student, academically and socially. They have also noticed that treating people with respect helps to build confidence. Jonathan, through his peer mediation training found this invaluable. Both Jonathan and Chris feel that the best thing is that they have been able to help someone in their learning.

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## 'KHS FIELD PROJECT'

I would like to thank all the people who took part in this project. In the end we had over 700 terracotta figures made. The project was based on the British artist and Turner prize winner Antony Gormley. He is probably best known for his sculpture 'Angel of the North.'

Schools that took part in this creative project were:

KHS staff and students  
The Dasset Primary School  
Temple Herdwyke Primary School  
Cropredy Primary School  
Kineton Primary School  
Moreton Morrell Primary School  
Wellesborne Primary School  
Tysoe Primary School  
Ettington Primary School  
Holyhead Secondary School, Birmingham  
Sanghamitta College, Sri Lanka

The installation of all the figures took place just before open evening for everyone to enjoy!

**Miss Purnell**



## Work Experience Week 2011



Thank you in advance to all parents / carers of students in Years 10 and 12 for their support in helping to arrange a one week work placement from Monday 4th to Friday 8th July 2011 for their

son / daughter. **Placements need to be confirmed by Friday 26th November 2010 at the latest to allow for Health and safety checks to be completed in time.**

For any other parents / carers, if you are able to assist in offering work based placement to any of our Year 10 / 12s in their business or via their business contacts, Simon Perkin, our Work Experience Co-ordinator or any of our Form Tutors would be delighted to hear from you.



I am pleased to report that both Year 10 and Year 11 students have settled into College very well. Students in both years have had exemplary attendance records of which we are very proud.

It is a really important time for Year 11 students as they are working towards finalising coursework for school, and assignments for college. It can be a stressful time, but with sensible planning of their time, all can be achieved.

Year 10 students are settling into their new routine of going to college each week, and at present coping well with both school and college work. As with Year 11s, their planning is vitally important, if a routine is set in place now, all can be achieved.

Finally should you have any problems or queries about college please contact me.

**Mrs Esther Bennett**

Swift/Star 14 Coordinator

Warwickshire Dyslexia Strategy Team invite parents & carers to a

### Dyslexia Drop-in

1.15 – 3.00pm

20 October – Wootton Wawen Primary School

03 November - Coten End Primary School

10 November – Bridgetown Primary School

17 November – Bidford Primary School

24 November – Sydenham Primary School

01 December – Kineton Primary School

Come and meet our friendly and experienced team for advice and a look at our resources

1.30 – 2.00pm workshop

'Sharing books with your child'

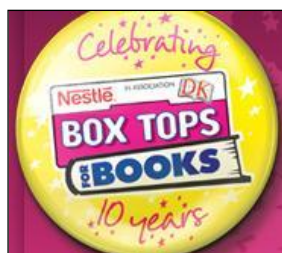
To discuss a specific issue or book an appointment, contact Business Support on 01926 461904

## LIBRARY NEWS

### Student Librarians

We are currently processing applications and training a new band of Student Librarians. We welcome Henry Stepney, Molly Turvey and Bethany Roberts, who will join Jamie Taylor, Bradley Gutch and Robin Jackson, they continue to do a fantastic job.

### Nestle's Box Tops Books



The Library is collecting these tokens.

**Thank you for all the**

donations so far.

We can exchange them for free educational books from Dorling Kindersley

## WANTED –MAGAZINES & BOOKS



Recycle Your  
Magazines -



### DONATE THEM TO THE LIBRARY!

We would be grateful for any suitable magazines for the students to read (Mizz, Cars, Football, Music etc).

Also, unwanted books in good condition would also be gratefully received!

## Join Your Local Public Library

Students - bring proof to KHS Library that you belong to a Public Library and earn a **HOUSEPOINT**

## FRIENDS OF KINETON HIGH SCHOOL

### AGM

This will take place on Monday 18th October at 8pm in the school library. This will be a fairly informal event as several committee members will be "standing down" after several years' service and drinks and "nibbles" will be provided! Anyone wishing to attend would be more than welcome, especially those who can think of any innovative ways to fundraise! If anyone would like to know more about the "Friends" and what they do, please ring Gill on 01926 640121.

## COACH TRIP TO LONDON - SATURDAY 20TH NOVEMBER

There are now only a few seats remaining on this popular trip. The coach will leave the High School at 8.30am and Park Lane at 8pm. Once in London you are free to do whatever you want, be it sight seeing, Xmas shopping or going to the theatre. The cost is only £15 return per person. To book, please ring Tracy on 01926 641466.

## SECOND HAND UNIFORM

Good quality second hand uniform (especially PE kit) is needed for fundraising - please hand in to Mrs Carol Johnson in the school library. The uniform will be sold at future events such as open evenings and all profit will be used to buy items for the school.

Extended Services  
Warwickshire  
**KINETON CLUSTER**

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## Extra Time at Kineton High School

Extra Time activities will continue after October half term. Students who want to join in can do so by completing a booking form (available on Kineton High School website and in Kineton High School reception) and placing it with relevant payment in an envelope in Mrs Hamilton's letterbox. Activities that can be joined for the second half of the Autumn term are: Unique Dance, Mezzo Street Dance, Mandarin language and Cheerleading.



## MANDARIN LANGUAGE

Tuesday 4pm to 5.30pm

Cost - £35 for the following dates:

2<sup>nd</sup> November, 9<sup>th</sup> November, 16<sup>th</sup>

November, 23<sup>rd</sup> November, 30<sup>th</sup> November, 7<sup>th</sup>

December, 14<sup>th</sup> December.

A fun introduction to the Mandarin language and culture. This session is taught by Li Li an undergraduate student at Warwick University.



## UNIQUE DANCE

Wednesday 4pm to 5.30pm - All Ages

Cost - £30 for the following dates:

3<sup>rd</sup> November, 10<sup>th</sup> November, 17<sup>th</sup>

November, 1<sup>st</sup> December, 8<sup>th</sup>

December, 15<sup>th</sup> December.

Miss Payne and Miss Walker will continue to run the Unique dance club, and will use a variety of music and dance styles; dancers will continue to have the opportunity to develop their own choreography.



## CHEERLEADING

Thursday 4pm to 5.30pm - Age 11 and over

Cost - £35 for the following dates:

4<sup>th</sup> November, 11<sup>th</sup> November, 19<sup>th</sup>

November, 25<sup>th</sup> November, 2<sup>nd</sup>

December, 9<sup>th</sup> November, 16<sup>th</sup> December.

Cheerleading is an exciting new dance genre which combines dance, stunting, gymnastics and athleticism. Learning exciting new routines with pom poms to make it even more fun. Gymnastics and acrobatics is incorporated to improve flexibility and allow to build strength. Stunting is incorporated as experience grows and most importantly come along and have fun and learn a new dance style.



## STREET DANCE

Friday 4pm to 5.30pm - all abilities -

Age 6 and over

Cost - £5 per session, payable on the day.

Have fun and experience the worldwide phenomenon of Street Dance. No experience is necessary. This is a fun class where students can

learn at their own pace under the guidance of qualified street dance teachers.

**NEW** - Parents who use the childcare voucher scheme may use their vouchers to pay for the Extra Time provision. Please contact Jo Rolls on details above to discuss.



Friday night is dance night at  
Kineton High School

In association with MEZZO dance company we  
are pleased to offer the following:

4pm to 5.30pm	Street Dance (all ages)
5.30pm to 6pm	Giggles and Wiggles (under 6 years)
6pm to 7pm	Freestyle & Musical Dance (age 7 and over)
7pm to 8pm	Adult Danzacize

All classes are suitable for new beginners, age as described above, and any gender. All classes are led by qualified and experienced dance teachers with required CRB and public liability insurance. All classes £5 per session, except Giggles and Wiggles which is £3.



Grease the Musical is coming to  
Kineton High School

Performances at the end of November 2010



Rehearsals for the Grease the Musical Performances are well underway. The performances will be on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> and Friday 26<sup>th</sup> November at Kineton High School. Tickets on sale from school office soon.



## Family Fun Festival October 2010



This year's family learning events will run from Monday 25<sup>th</sup> October to Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> October. All events will be taking place in and around Kington cluster of schools. Look out for further information including booking details in this year's Kington Family Fun Festival booklet. This year's range of events will include:

### **Mosaics - 3 hour session. Ages 8 and over.**

A chance to design and make your own mosaic animal plaque, mirror or picture frame to take home. All materials provided. To cover material costs, there will be a charge of £5 per item made.

### **Bead Creative Jewellery Making - 2 hour session. Ages 8 and over.**

During this hands on session you can come and make your own jewellery; Tibetan charm bracelets, bead necklaces, bracelets or earrings. To cover material costs, there will be a charge per item made.

### **Mad Science - 1 hour session. Ages 5 to 14.**

Choose from:

- General Science including slime making
- Chemistry Mystery
- Spy Academy

### **Family First Aid with St Johns Ambulance - 6 hour session (Bring your own packed lunch). Ages 10 and over.**

A really useful course: you will be provided with the skills to help each other in an emergency or when general accidents happen around the house and when you're out and about.

### **Fencing - 1 hour session. Ages 8 and over.**

This session will provide you with a 'taster' of the sport of fencing. All equipment is provided; you just need to wear comfortable sporting clothes and trainers.

### **Astronomy - The Solar System - 2 hour session. Ages 8 to 11**

This informative session will give adults and children the chance to find out all they ever wanted to know about the solar system. You will learn about the sun and solar eclipses, terrestrial

planets and gaseous planets. Weather permitting there will be an observation of the sun using special solar telescopes.

### **Astronomy - Observing the Heavens - 2 hour session. Ages 8 to 11**

A visual presentation of the ancient Greek constellation mythology using a planetarium will be followed by a journey around the night sky (weather permitting) looking at the objects that can be seen without visual aids. A brief introduction to different types of telescopes

### **Computer Explorers - Photo Fun - 3 hour session. Ages 8 and over**

You will learn how to change colours, move parts of a picture, combine two photos together and even change the head of somebody if you really want to! Ever wanted your head on the body of someone famous? Or make the grass turn red - learn all the clever tricks of photography with Photo fun.

### **Computer Explorers - Look Who's Talking - 3 hour session. Age 8 and over**

This is the most exciting piece of computer software on the market - take a picture, a drawing or a photo and make it come to life. A truly magical programme - wait until you see a talking cat and a crazy animated frog!

### **George the Storytelling Dragon - 1 hour. Under 5 Years.**

A fun packed storytelling adventure which includes songs and dressing up for the children.

### **Recycling Rodney - 1 hour. Ages 5 to 11**

A 20 minutes recycling show is followed by fun activities such as making rockets or Gok's fashion show.

### **Cupcakes - 2 hours. Age 5 and over.**

Come and have fun cooking together. You can make and decorate your own cupcakes or biscuits. All ingredients and equipment provided.

**ANY family can attend ANY event ANY where  
All children must be accompanied by an adult.**

Places are limited so booking is **ESSENTIAL** - Contact Jo Rolls on the details at the top of the page. Unless otherwise stated we will ask for £1 donation per person per event to help us sustain this project - payable on the day.



## UNDERSTANDING YOUR TEENAGER Sessions at Kineton High School

### Seminar one

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November 7pm to 8.30pm**

**Raising Responsible Teenagers** introduces parents to a formula for promoting positive family relationships and a healthy lifestyle.

### Seminar two

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> November 7pm to 8.30pm**

**Raising Competent Teenagers** provides a formula for helping teenagers make the most of their time at school.

### Seminar three

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> November 7pm to 8.30pm**

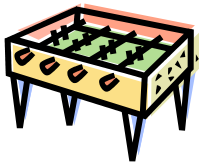
**Getting Teenagers Connected** helps parents with ways to encourage teenagers to become involved in socially appropriate recreational activities with supportive friends.

In addition to offering practical support, the great value of these seminars is the opportunity to meet other parents, and discuss personally relevant issues. To book a place please contact Jo Rolls on the details at the top of the page.

## More Photos of the Sponsored Walk



## 'Schools Out' Activity Club



## Kineton Youth Wing

**Every Friday 2.45 to 4.45**

**Years 7 8 & 9**

## LOST PROPERTY

*It is always sad to see many items of personal belongings left behind and not reclaimed. Please make every effort to name clothing and belongings and we will endeavour to return these to you or your child.*

*Please do not hesitate to contact school if any belongings have gone missing. Due to limited space, we will donate any unclaimed items to charity two months after they have been handed in.*

## STUDENT ABSENCE PROCEDURE

When a student is absent, (for whatever reason) it is very important for the school to be informed. The safety of our students is imperative.

For every day the student is absent we require a telephone call to the Absence Line. Please leave the name, tutor group and reason for absence.

**The Absence Line telephone number is 01926 645611, and is available 24 hours.**

When the student returns to school, please send in a letter confirming the dates of absence and the reason.

## Dates for your Diary

Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Year 9 Parents' Consultations
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Year 11 into the Sixth Form Evening
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> Nov	Year 13 Parents' Consultations
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> Nov	"Grease" Performance
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> Nov	"Grease" Performance
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> Nov	"Grease" Performance
Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Year 7 Parents' Consultations
Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> Feb	KS4 Curriculum Evening

## School Term and Holiday Dates 2010 – 2011

### AUTUMN TERM 2010

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> September – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> December**

*Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September and Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September – Staff Professional Development Days*

**Half-Term** Monday 25<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> October  
*Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> December – Staff Professional Development Day  
(School closed to students)*

### SPRING TERM 2011

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January – Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> April**

*Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January – Staff Professional Development Day*

**Half-Term** Monday 21<sup>st</sup> February – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> February

### SUMMER TERM 2011

**Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July**

*(Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May – Bank Holiday)*

*Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June – Staff Professional Development Day  
(School closed to students except those taking exams)*

**Half-Term** Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June

### HEADTEACHER'S SURGERY

**EVERY WEDNESDAY  
5.30 pm – 7.00 pm**

**3<sup>rd</sup> November to 8<sup>th</sup> December**

**No need for an appointment**

**Just drop in**

# SPORTS NEWS



We've had a great start to the new school year in the PE department – lots of eager young people attending clubs and already a number of fixtures against other schools.

The department, along with the rest of the school, looked great on our Open Evening last week. Visitors were able to experience a variety of activities including rowing, table-tennis and gymnastics.

We are VERY proud of all of the examination students last year whose results exceeded our expectations – **100% of our students were successful in sports courses** – many congratulations to them and to the staff who worked hard to ensure their success. We are excited about our new plans to introduce BTEC PE in core PE for Year 9 and 10, this will allow all students to receive accreditation in PE and Sport.

By half term we should hear if our nominations for the Warwickshire School Sports Awards have been successful, we have seven in total, look out for the results in the December issue of High Times.

We still have many sporting opportunities to look forward to, including leadership work with Welcombe Hills, one of our partner schools and sports festivals with our partner primary schools.

As you can imagine the department is very excited about the construction of our Artificial Turf Pitch (ATP) and also very grateful for all of the support we received from parents and students in the process. The pitch will be a great asset to the students and the community.

We are always keen to hear and celebrate the achievements of students outside of school – sporting or otherwise – so please let us know as the young people are sometimes a little shy about coming forward!! Our 'Wall of Fame' in school increases all the time with profiles of our students doing so well in their sport. Recently we have been informed of some great news regarding our students – Becky Atkins has been selected for the Junior Regional Performance Squad in hockey; Former student Tom Price, currently at Leicester Tigers Academy, has been selected for the

U18 England rugby squad and Ali Worby has just signed a contract for Fulham Utd.

We continue to look for ways to develop the opportunities for all our students, not just in PE & Sport but across all subject areas through the specialism.

Nikki Stevenson  
Director of Specialism  
Assistant Headteacher

Hot off the Press Hockey results.....

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> September

Year 11 (assisted by some talented Year 10's) beat Stratford Girls Grammar in a nail biting match, with Becky Atkins clinching the winning goal and South Warwickshire Champions in extra time - Fantastic

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> October

Two mixed Year 7 & 8 teams played against Sibford – Lost 1 Won 1.

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October

The mixed Year 9 & 10 hockey team also played Sibford this week and had a well deserved 3-0 win.



There has been an excellent response to Netball this year and the girls have been working really hard in training. Mrs Green has been particularly impressed with the Year 11 team, who have shown a great deal of responsibility and maturity in starting the practice sessions. Everyone is working well together.

Matches to date:

**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> September v North Leamington**

Yr 13 v NL A – Lost  
Yr 13 v NL B – Won  
Yr 12 v NL A – Lost  
Yr 13 v NL B – Won

**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> September v S Shipston**

Yr 11 – Lost  
Yr 9 – Won

## Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September U16 Area Tournament at Stratford High School

The Year 11 girls worked really hard in this tournament, and had moments of inspired play. The draw was unfortunate in that they had to play six games in a row:

Stratford High – lost  
Alcester Grammar – lost  
Studley – lost  
Shipston – won  
Henley-in-Arden – lost  
St Benedicts – lost

If you are interested in playing Netball please come along and join us Thursday after school.

Watch the notice board as lots more fixtures are planned.

**Mrs T Green**



## Football Report

### Year 7

The new Year 7's are yet to play their first competitive match but have already shown they have some potential. 7JH so far seem to be the footballing stars winning the inter form competition which was run by the A level PE group. In training the players have been put through their paces by student leader George Waywell. Josh Truman has also made his debut for the Year 8 team and scored two goals in a 5-3 victory against Kenilworth.

### Year 8

Mr Tyagi's squad has been boosted by extra numbers this season which is pleasing to see. New faces have been turning out for training and for the first game against Aylesford. After a tough battle the game ended in a narrow defeat but there were some excellent performances from Sam Bridges and Jacob Walters. A friendly game away at Kenilworth ensured the first victory of the season with the team winning 5-3.

### Year 9

Mr Sharp has taken over as coach and manager of the squad from Mr Parisi who did an excellent job last season. Good numbers have been attending training and Mr Sharp is pleased with the way his squad are shaping up! The first game against Henley ending in a narrow 3-2 defeat despite an excellent performance. Up against a physical Henley side the team showed guile and created some excellent moves ended in quality goals. Tom Gardner showed that its easier to score from 25 yards than two with a screamer that the keeper couldn't hold onto and Harry Walters scored a well crafted goal which went in off the bar and the back of the keepers head! Tim Hillidge and Harry Edgington-Furlong were excellent at the back and George Wilcock showed bravery between the sticks. Luke Stacey beavered away up front and linked well with Tom Gardner. Man of the match was Tim Hillidge.

### Year 11 – the good, the bad and the ugly!

Having won Division two last season the team faced a hard introduction to their season with a home fixture against Division One champions Champion. With a new formation employed the team created lots of chances and were soon two goals up through Henry Reynolds finishing off a neat cross from Tom Gardner. Gardner then made it two after out-sprinting the defence and smashing the ball across the keeper low into the bottom corner. Champion came back strongly in the second half although it was Kineton who extended the lead through an own goal headed in from Max Coton's cross. Champion did pull a goal back before Coton blasted a left foot volley in from the edge of the box. Champion scrambled a late goal but Kineton were comfortable winners 4-2. The players should be commended on their superb attitude throughout the game despite much provocation. Jamie Hoyte had his best game for Kineton.

The Cup game against Kenilworth was a different story, despite going into a comfortable two goal lead through captain Henry Reynolds and striker Tom Gardner the team went into self destruct mode after the break. Alex Ashfield had already made several fantastic saves before his goal was finally breached after a Kenilworth penalty. The defence then went to pieces and Kenilworth went into a 5-2 lead. Henry Reynold's late strike wasn't enough and Kineton were dumped out of the cup in a game they should have won.

### 6<sup>th</sup> Form

The first games of the season were against Alcester Grammar School. The first and second XI's games

both ended in narrow defeats but there is lots of potential within the squads and a good season is expected for both teams. It has also been interesting to see the introduction of the first Kineton High School 6<sup>th</sup> form matchday programme. Each edition is set to be highly entertaining featuring interviews with the players! Back issues can be obtained from the common room for at a cost of 5 new pence!

Stop the Press.....

Harry Walters goal against Henley has been reviewed by Andy Gray and the dubious goals panel at Sky and it has been deemed an own goal by the Henley keeper. Despite Walters claims that it was his birthday and "It was a great strike" the panel decided to chalk off the goal! Unlucky Harry!

And finally.....

All new players are welcome to training especially the new Year 7s. Training takes place on Wednesday for Years 7,8,9 & 10 and Thursday for Year 11.

**Mr Daly**



## Fencing

One of the options during enrichment week was to do a day of fencing which I chose along with 30-40 others. We learnt all about the basics of fencing with a blade called a sabre. At the end of the day there was a competition which I was lucky enough to win. I enjoyed this day so much I decided to take up fencing as a sport. I have now joined a fencing club based in Warwick called Salle Ursa. I have now been going to the club for around 12 weeks. I have improved greatly and have learnt many new skills. I regularly fence

against the seniors, one of whom has recently competed at the Commonwealth games in New Delhi. I am looking forward to starting to compete soon. Fencing is a great sport which I hope more people will take up.

**Luke Clay ADL/JPE**



## Inter Schools Cross-Country Championship Qualifiers

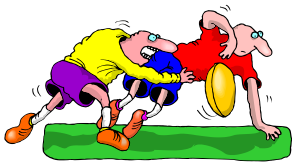
Kineton High School was invited to enter both teams and individuals for the Inter Schools Cross-Country Championships Qualifier, which was held at Alcester Grammar School on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> October. The competition was split into age groups with each invited school sending a maximum of 12 students per class. Due to the mixed weather conditions leading up to the event, the cross-country course was more testing than it has been in previous years. The riverside run was becoming increasingly more churned up as the day progressed and the conditions became more slippery underfoot for the later classes.

The run consisted of a flat field section followed by a brief wooded slope leading out into the trading estate and onto the pavement. Students then doubled back down the pavement and onto the riverside path following this before returning to the starting field through a rather bumpy and narrow track. The final part of the course was a return lap around the games field before a final sprint to the finish.

Congratulations must go to our two entrants Katie Young in Year 7 and Zoë Young in Year 9 who both finished their groupings in fantastic positions and consequently have both qualified for the next stage of the competition. Both Katie and Zoë will now be representing the Southern Warwickshire Area at the Inter Area competition on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> October here at Kineton High School. Selections for the Inter County and the following Championships will depend on results at this Inter Area race; the first eight athletes to finish in each race will be selected so we hope that they can once again secure a high position in their category on home turf.

If any student wishes to come and support them then please contact the PE department for their race times.

**Miss Lippett**



## Year 9 Rugby

We have played 4 games already this term and so far we have won 2 and lost 2.

The first game is always difficult and against Bilton we managed to lose from a winning position in the first half.

Kenilworth, the following week, was always going to be a difficult fixture and we made life difficult for ourselves once again. We played some attractive fluent rugby and scored some well worked tries but defended poorly and relied on a good scramble defence, in the end winning 26 points to 7. Our next fixture was against KES b/a team. In patches the team were brilliant. We opened them up by driving and clearing the ball in the tackle and attacking the ball at pace out wide. Harry Stirling's try was a classic, ball moved left initially and then brought back, good hands by Harry Walters, Harry Graham and Hugh Leather made space for Harry to get outside their winger to score. Silly mistakes and a lack of tackling allowed them back into the game and the final score of 22 – 37 was flattering to them. Against Chenderit we started like a train, organised and fluent in presenting the ball and really attacking the line, established a comfortable lead and then sat back. In the end we were fairly fortunate to hang on.

We know how to play we just need to do it consistently for the full hour. Well done to all the boys who have trained and played, it is brilliant we can still get a squad of 22 plus for match days.

**Mr Mitchell**



## Hockey Report

### Hockey V Sibford School Tues 5<sup>th</sup> Oct at home

On a glorious sunny autumn afternoon two teams of girls played against Sibford School, they were made up of four Year 7 players and 18 from the very keen Year 8 girls.

We played on the grass pitches, which is unusual for us as we train on the playground and netball courts to enable us to be prepared for games on Astro. Sibford only have grass pitches so we decided to play on ours to even the stakes. That is exactly how it was.... EVEN.... one game winning 4-0 and the other losing 4-0. However, much fun was had by all, and a lot of experience was gained. We hope to be able to play them again soon.

Special mentions must go to Georgie Hawkins and Kim Long who scored our goals, and to Emilie Feltham, Hayley Wragg, Hettie James, Beth Stokes and Chloe Whinmill for their determined tackling and passing. Everyone played their hearts out and we look forward to more opportunities to see them play. Fixtures are on the website and will be updated.



**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> September**

**South Warwickshire U16 Hockey Tournament**

**THE FINAL .....Kineton vs. Stratford Grammar School**

**WE WON!**

**AWESOME!** A win against the Stratford Girls Grammar School gave us the title of **U16 South Warwickshire Hockey Champions.**

We played 20 minutes each way and in the first half went down one goal to nil, early on. However with great pressure from Lucy Wilkes, Amy Chambers and Courtney Bewes their efforts allowed Captain Becca Atkins to slot home our equaliser.

We had to go on to extra time and our defenders Harriette Whinmill, Fiona Mitchell, Bryony Hordern and Daisy Keyte combined to keep out the SGS attack. Emma Heal and Poppy Tutchter penetrated the opposition D and came close to scoring. Poppy overcame cramp to keep fighting to the end. Kim Payton was our amazing Goal Keeper and throughout the game, directed from the back with Harriette, guiding and encouraging our players to keep the attackers out. After extra time it was still level, so we went to penalty flicks. We nominated five players to take them in turn, it was nerve wracking but both teams only scored a goal each, Becca Atkins scoring ours. Fantastic!

We then had to go to 'sudden death'; again Becca expertly scored our only goal and it was down to Kim in goal to keep out all the SGS shots. She was superb and dived everywhere to keep ALL shots out, so the Championship was ours.

Well Done everyone and thank you to Simon Atkins for umpiring.



### **Senior Girls Hockey V Sibford Wed 13<sup>th</sup> October Away on Grass**

This was an evenly contested game, which resulted in a 0-0 draw, both teams having good chances to score but not finishing effectively to gain a vital goal.

It was a glorious sunny afternoon on a slow grass pitch, which made our girls adapt their pushes to harder hits to get the ball to move faster on the grass. Captain Sophie Caley penetrated the D many times with Sarah Davies and Poppy Tutcher, but they either shot wide or had the ball cleared by the keeper. When they finally utilised winger Lucy Wilkes she had some good runs down the wing and crossed the ball to a battling Amy Chambers and nippy Polly Caley.

Defensively we were solid with keeper Kim Payton clearing shots confidently from short corners and Jade Bridges taking strong and accurate hit outs. Caitlin Oates and Georgie Aldred tracked the danger players, intercepting well and distributing the ball amongst our forwards. When we were under pressure Naomi Bradford chased back valiantly and with Harriette Whinmill they foiled the opposition attack on many occasions with fierce tackling.

Despite it being a draw it was an entertaining game with flashes of great skill and episodes of humour from Sarah and Harriette.

Thanks Girls.



### **6<sup>TH</sup> FORM HOCKEY TEAM SWEEP ASIDE NORTH LEAMINGTON SCHOOL**

**Wed 29th September 4-0 win**

100 % effort from all the squad made this a great game to start the season. We had a number of 'novice'

players so our aim was to involve everyone and to enjoy a good game of hockey. NLS have a fabulous new Astro at their new school (that will be us next year!) and we had a fast flowing game.

Captain Bronwen Jakeman and Sarah Davies distributed the ball well, feeding the energetic forwards Matt Randle, Dexter Purser, Sophie Caley and Beth Camp. Their perseverance paid off and all four scored. Jamie Vadasz was also up front and worked relentlessly using the width well to draw players wide to create spaces. Mid field Naomi Bradford, Georgie Aldred, Anthony Robinson and Sam Singleton were solid in their defence and very few players got through to Callum Graham and Jade Bridges our two sweepers. Their hit outs were accurate and strong. In goal for the first time we had the amazing Tommy Wheeler who showed great potential, fearlessly stopping hard shots and kicking with confidence to feed the attack.

It was a wet afternoon but nothing could dampen the enthusiasm of the team and there was great team spirit. Well done and thank you to everyone.

**Mrs Reader**



### **Gym Club Bursting at the Seams**

68 enthusiastic girls come every Wednesday to practise their gym, it is a marvellous sight with the older girls leading the warm up and helping the newcomers to grasp the finer points of everything from arabesque, handstands and cartwheels to vaulting and the splits. 40 students from Year 8 to Year 11 and 28 Year 7 make up the numbers. Tony Hathaway parent/coach from Wade Gym Club continues to freely give his time to work with the girls along with Librarian Mrs Johnson and myself.

Each week they work on floor skills and then move on to try vaulting and some rope and beam work. At Christmas we will drastically cut our numbers to enable a squad of 20 or so girls to train for the annual Wade Schools Competition. This is always a difficult decision for us as we have so many keen students who would like to continue to come between 3.00 and 4.00. However extended services are offering Gym club with me from 4.00 – 5.30 on a Wednesday for a small fee speak to Jo Rolls for more details.

**Mrs Reader**

Kineton High School Friends 200 Club  
Kineton High School  
Banbury Road  
Kineton  
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## AN OPPORTUNITY TO JOIN KINETON HIGH SCHOOL 200 CLUB

You can win money and support our school by joining the 200 club. Just £1 per month buys members a number which is entered into a monthly cash prize draw. The lucky winner gets half of that month's draw money so if all 200 numbers are sold this could be up to £100 each month and with much better odds than the National Lottery!

All remaining money goes to buy extra equipment and resources requested by the school.

There are still spaces for 2011 so get your application in quickly. It's easy: just complete this application form. You can buy more than one number but to keep accounting simple we ask you to pay for a whole year (£12 per number) so either **write a cheque for £12 per number** made payable to 'Kineton High School Friends 200 Club' *or* **fill in the bank standing order mandate for £12 per number**. Forms must be received by December 2010 and you can hand them in to High School reception or post to the above address. If you require more forms or have any queries please contact me on 01926 641638.

Sarah Carroll

Treasurer, 200 Club

PS - you must be 18 years old or over to join the 200 Club. There is no draw in August so the prize for July is doubled.

YOUR NAME.....

ADDRESS: .....

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Post Code: ..... TELEPHONE NO.....

I wish to apply for membership of the 200 Club for the Year 2011

I would like to buy.....number/s at a total cost of £.....

I enclose: **EITHER**      A cheque for £12.00 per number made payable to '**KINETON HIGH SCHOOL FRIENDS 200 CLUB**'

**OR:**                      The attached Bank Standing Order Mandate

Signed:.....

**BANK STANDING ORDER MANDATE**

(Please leave attached to form and we will forward to your bank)

To: The Manager ..... Bank

Address: .....

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**SORT CODE:** ..... **ACCOUNT NO.**.....

Please debit my account with one payment of £..... on the 10<sup>th</sup> December 2010, and annually thereafter, until notified otherwise.

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