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# Beech House News

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## Reports

Enclosed with this newsletter you should find your child's report. The documentation provides a clear profile of your child's progress throughout the last academic term.

The staff and I have had the opportunity during the course of the last academic term to discuss individual children's progress with parents on a formal and informal basis. I hope many of you will continue to take advantage of our "open door" policy next term.

*Please contact the school immediately if you have not received your child's school report. I would also ask you to return the reply slip to Mrs Collier as soon as possible, with or without any comments.*

## Environmental Award Winners



Year 5 were delighted to be presented their prizes for winning the North of England Final of the Total Green School Awards. Over 300 schools had participated in the event. Andrew Ritchie the Managing Director of Total at a recent school assembly presented the class teacher, Miss Potter, and Headmaster, Mr Sartain, with certificates and a £500 prize cheque for the school. The children each received a goodie bag containing items such as a wind up torch, note pad, crayon set, key ring amongst many more items inside.

## Beech House the Best Independent School in the Country

It was with great pride that we received a call from 'The Good Schools Guide'. It transpired that unknown to us that they collate the GCSE results of all Independent schools in the Country. As a large number of schools are single sex, they then separate the results into boys and girls. The School had in fact won two categories for 2009, making Beech House the best Independent School in the Country in two subjects:

GCSE Business Studies : Boys

GCSE Double Award Science : Girls

The award is based on the Key Stage 4 GCSE results for 2006, 2007 and 2008. Congratulations to all the staff and pupils concerned.

Pupils in the Upper Prep and Senior departments will line up in the yard on the first day of next term and be taken to their form rooms by their new Form tutors. The Lower Prep pupils will be taken directly to their new form rooms.

## Art Exhibition

The school held its first Art Exhibition this term. Parents and pupils could view the excellent GCSE art work produced by Year 11 pupils. In addition they could view artwork by all year groups. This artwork was framed and was available for purchase at £7.50. There are some pieces still for sale, and can be viewed in the Art Room.

## LAMDA

Thanks to the hard work of Mrs Boon and the pupils, the pass rate was once again 100%. The successful candidates are listed according to their grade.

### Introduction

**Merit** - Mahrus Qazi

**Distinction** – Poppy Gethin-Jones and Abbie Slater

### Preparatory

**Merit** - Rebecca Burnett and Aleena Qazi

**Distinction** – Emelia Cooper, Hira Iqbal and Scarlett Ollerenshaw

**Preliminary** - Emily Cooper and Megan Klymowec

**Distinction** – Asim Butt

**Entry**

**Grade 1 Merit** – Arman Qazi, Thomas Smith,

### Foundation

**Grade 1 – Merit** – Joe Smith-Butler, Rhys Stone

**Distinction** – Alex Hannay

**Grade 2** – Victoria Burnett

**Distinction** – Issmaeel Ansari, Thomas Quinn

**Grade 3** – Charlotte Affleck, Faiza Deane

## School Appointments

I am delighted to announce the following appointments from September :-

### School

**Head Boy** – Matthew Kershaw

### Upper Prep

**Head Boy** – James Hart

**Head Girl** – Cody Birch

### Lower Prep

**Head Boy** – Callum Salford

**Head Girl** – Gabriella

Abbondandolo

**Senior Prefect** – Georgia Kinder

**Prefect** – George Salt

**Sub- Prefects:** Victoria Byrne, Danielle Crewe-Lingard, James Dixon, Holly Dymond, Lucy Eckersley, Lauren Hamilton, Tara Sultan, Zara Ayrton, Sofia Cruz and Jordan Tracey

The House Captains have already taken up their post at Sports Day.

They are:-

Jupiter – Tara Sultan

Mercury – Sofia Cruz

Neptune – James Garrity

Saturn – George Salt

I am sure you will join me in congratulating them all and wishing them every success in their posts.

## Staffing

This term sees the departure of Mrs Jackson who is retiring. We thank for all her efforts over the years, on behalf of all the pupils she has helped. We wish her luck for the future. Mrs Durrans starts her maternity leave and her timetable will be taken over by Mr Armstrong. We congratulate Mrs Feeney on her promotion and wish her luck in her new post.

The form tutors for the next academic year will be :-

### Lower Prep

Nursery – Miss Haigh

Year 1 – Miss Walker & Miss Rousseau

### Upper Prep

Year 3 – Mr Quinn

Year 5 – Miss Potter

### Seniors

Year 7C – Mr Cole

Year 8B – Mr Bauer

Year 9C – Mr Clark Steel

Year 10G – Mrs Gillett

Year 11N – Mrs Nichols & Mrs Donnelly

## School Concert

This year's End of Year Concert, once again, was held at the Gracie Fields Theatre. The first musical performed was 'Little Red Riding Hood'. This was followed by recitals and individual musical performances. The musical was 'What a Good Idea'. Over 200 parents and friends had a thoroughly enjoyable evening of entertainment.



Reception – Mrs Anderson

Year 2 – Mrs Harrison

Year 4 – Mrs Hortop

Year 6 – Mrs Waterworth

Year 7G – Mrs Grange

Year 8G – Mrs Gaynon      Year 8S – Miss Sugden

Year 9R – Mr Rowlands

Year 10W – Mrs Rose & Mr Walters

Year 11T – Mr Taylor

## School Awards

The following Senior pupils have gained their Bronze Award (20 merits):-

S. Meadowcroft, H. Khan, B. Sowerby, P. Bramley, A. Ali, J. Booth, J. Garrity, N. Graziano, A. McCaffrey, Z. Hussein, J. Cowie, S. Karim, M. Goss, D. Schofield, S. Taylor, K. Bramley, A. Ahmed.

The following have gained their Silver Award (40 merits) :-

J. Smith-Butler, S. Hussein, J. Timperley, A. Tahir, I. Ansari, N. Shah, S. Idris, B. Moat, L. Nightingale, A. Ali, L. Dodman, O. Tomlinson, M. Ahmed, I. Ashraf, C. Hardman, H. Hayden, M. Corrigan, R. Shahid, H. Groome, K. Taylor, O. Fryer, S. Dunston, J. Molyneux, A. Nawaz.

The following have gained their Gold Award (60 merits):-

S. Hussein, A. Tahir, J. Timperley, P. Greenwood, A. Battersby, I. Ansari, M. Corrigan.

Only one pupil has gained their Platinum Award (80 merits):-  
Arifah Tahir,

Well done to all the award winners. Gold and Platinum Awards winners will be receiving a voucher at Speech Night next term.

The following Lower Prep pupils were awarded Gold House Point Certificates for obtaining 50 House points:- Olivia Shaw, Callum Salford, Jimmy Dalziel, Yusuf Siddique, Gareth Tattersall, Joe Noon, Harris Husnain, Sara Karim. Grace Prime, Zen Zahir & Daisi Daniels.

Platinum winners managed to be awarded 100 House points. They are :- Ayo Kolarin, Humza Mohammed, Gabriella Abbondandolo, Jacey Noon, Rebecca Burnett, Scarlett Ollershaw, Jessica Butterworth, Aleena Qazi, Luke Butterworth, Hira Iqbal, Emelia Cooper, Elana El-Hage, Mia Greenwood & Harry Gee.

## The Times Spelling Bee

Beech House pupils came very close to winning the Regional Finals of *The Times* Spelling Bee competition. The competition had teams from all over the North West of England, with one team coming all the way from Leeds. Our team comprised of three Year 7 pupils who were chosen during English lessons for their obvious ability to spell correctly. We did, of course, practise spellings in preparation for the day. The team comprised of Joe Smith-Butler, Anusia Battersby and Daley Schofield, (with Issmaeel Ansari as substitute). They all held their nerve as they had to deal with the competition, the staging and the scrutiny of the Collins English Dictionary judge. Daley was especially sharp in the 'Quick – Fire' round against the clock. The team came a very close second, as they were just **one** point behind the winners. Congratulations to all the team, and the four Year 7 supporters who accompanied them. Pupils were rewarded by the organisers with 'goody bags' and certificates.

## Mathematics Challenge

Congratulation go to Joe Smith-Butler who obtained a Silver medal in the UK Mathematical Trust Junior Challenge. Joe was only one mark away from a Gold medal. Harrison Groome, also from Year 7 and Ameer Ali, Year 8, also did exceptionally well to be awarded Bronze medals.

## Rochdale Childer Award

Billy Drumm was presented with the Childer Award at Rochdale Town Hall.

Billy has made excellent progress, in spite of difficulties. He has developed into a mature young man.



The staff rugby team who performed well in the North West Schools, Colleges and University Rugby League Tournament. Their only defeats were against the two teams that reached the final, Salford College and Harrop Fold School.

## Gifted & Talented

Four pupils from Year 10 took part in a gifted and talented competition at Bury College. Lucy Eckersley, Josh Drake, Matthew Kershaw and Jason Scales were narrowly beaten into second place by a single point.

## Progress Awards

The progress Awards are presented each term to children in the Prep Department who have excelled in attitude, behaviour and performance. This term the Honours went to :-

Nursery – Alfie Mayer  
Reception – Mahrus Qazi  
Year 1 – Gabriella Abbondandolo  
Year 2 – Daisi Daniels  
Year 3 – Natalie El-Hage  
Year 4 - Colleen Bingham  
Year 5 – Jacob Hill  
Year 6 – Thomas Valentine

The school web site is [www.beechhouse.school.co.uk](http://www.beechhouse.school.co.uk) It is a valuable source of information on school activities. Letters to parents are downloadable and diary dates are added on a weekly basis.

You will be provided with a copy of your child's daily and homework timetable during the second week of term.

### CREST

In Science we have had great success at this year's CREST Award Regional Final, which was held at the Museum of Science and Industry. In the Creativity in Science and Technology Awards we had a record for the school of nine finalists. Beech House School has, over the years, previously taken eight pupils to the National Finals. Not to be out done this year, Bethany Moat won runner up in the best Bronze category with a prize of £75 for her work on herbal remedies for sleep deprivation. She then went on to win best Science project overall beating the A level students with their Gold Awards and was awarded a prize of £100 for the school. She was then picked to receive a golden ticket to represent the North West at the National Finals in March 2010, which this year will be held at the Manchester Central Arena. We wish her luck in that event. Congratulations to everyone who qualified for this year's regional finals.

### School Trips

All Year 7 pupils went on the visit to the Blue Mosque. This year the format was slightly different than last year. Pupils had the usual interesting guided tour through the areas of worship and the fun quiz. However, they also had the added experiences of both dressing up in traditional dress and performing the Wu'du Wu'du – the washing ritual which precedes worship. The feedback from pupils was all positive. Indeed pupils gave the leaders a round of applause before they left! Pupils commented on how clean all the areas of the mosque were and one pupil thought that the marble staircases were like those in a palace! We do thank the Neeli, and the Blue Mosque for their hospitality.

Year 5 enjoyed a well earned day out to Liverpool to visit Duldzin Buddhist Centre and the Beatles Museum. In between the two they also managed to squeeze in a trip around a World War 2 House and the Slavery Museum, also located at the Albert Docks. An enjoyable time was had by all.

Year 10 girls took part in a Dragonfly day at Salford University to try to engage them in engineering. They firstly made aeroplanes and measured the area of the wingspan. They then went on to earthquake structures where they made a building 50cm high and able to withstand 25kg weight on top using a Meccano style apparatus. They then learnt how to send a telegram and how this has evolved into the internet in ICT communications.

Year 10 pupils spent the morning finding out about telecommunications at the National Media Museum in Bradford before showing off their skating skills to Bradford ice rink. A good time was had by all.

The Nursery and Reception children went to Wheatsheaf Library again this term. The children had opportunity to get out their own story books and loved the stories that were read by the librarian.

Year 10 art students went to visit the Manchester Art Gallery and the Urbis, as part of their G.C.S.E exploring the works of other artists. They mainly focused on the ten drawings by Leonardo Da Vinci from the Royal collection (an exhibition not to be missed). We also looked at work by the British artist Paul Morrison to link into the natural form. Whilst at the Urbis we viewed the more contemporary artist Andrew Paul Brooks (photographer). Students were fully engaged all day, and enjoyed themselves at both locations.

### Handwriting

In this day of word processors it is becoming apparent that the art of fine handwriting is disappearing. However, examination papers have to be written by hand and an increasing number of employers are asking for application forms to be completed by hand in order to gauge the suitability of the candidates. Over the last few weeks staff have been focusing on this aspect of pupils' work and have identified a number of pupils whose handwriting has become a cause for concern. This will have been referred to in your child's report. Obviously we would like to address the problem. In September pupils will be asked to attend handwriting classes at lunchtime and we will be asking that all pupils in years 7 and above do their work using either a fountain pen or a roller-ball type pen. At key stage 2 this type of pen will be phased in when the pupil is ready to progress from pencil. Birs or ball-point pens will not be allowed. Pupils whose handwriting needs to improve should try to use the summer holidays improving their handwriting, and there are numerous websites with tips (e.g., [www.paperpenalia.com/handwriting.html](http://www.paperpenalia.com/handwriting.html)) and exercises as well as improving handwriting kits.



Bethany Moat at the CREST Finals

Part of the radio programme 'Fry's English Delight: Speaking Proper' was recorded at the Lower Prep Department. It is scheduled to be broadcast on Tuesday 11th August at 09.02 a.m. on BBC Radio Four. It features pupils and staff from Beech House School

## Uniform

It has been commented that pupils are looking much smarter this year. However, there is still a small number of pupils who arrive at school with their shirts hanging out, their ties not fastened properly and wearing the wrong footwear. Our standards are very high, knowing that the first impression one gets of a person comes from his or her appearance. Parents spend a great deal on uniform and those pupils who do not conform to our standards are not just letting themselves down, they are also letting down their peers and the school. When purchasing uniform can you please make sure that shirts and blouses

are large enough to allow top buttons to be fastened and for them to tuck comfortably into the waistband of the trousers or skirts. Shoes should be plain black; trainer style shoes or shoes with a trim of another colour are not acceptable. There are two lengths of tie available and senior pupils should have the longer length. Trousers are to be mid-grey in colour and not charcoal grey or black. The school skirt has four inverted pleats, two at the back and two at the front, and should be of an acceptable length, ending just above the knee. If you are unsure, we would advise you to contact the school before making your purchases.

The Lower Prep had a visit from the police during the term. The children learnt about the uniforms, their jobs and even got to switch on the sirens on a police car.



The Lower Prep on one of their many Forest School Activities



## Poetry

Anushia Battersby was fortunate to have the poem below published this term.

### My Favourite Things

J.R.R. Tolkien and Agatha Christie,  
Days when it's snowy and frosty and misty,  
Grey dolphins jumping, as if they had wings.  
These are a few of my favourite things.

Tropical waters and glistening beaches,  
Eating ice cream with round amber peaches,  
Christmas and sparkle and crackers with rings,  
These are a few of my favourite things.

Writing and drawing and puzzles and quizzes,  
Fresh lemonade that bubbles and fizzes,  
School Christmas Concerts and the carols we sing,  
These are a few of my favourite things.

Finally, this poem has come to an end,  
But my favourite thing is surely a friend,  
What else brings all of the joy a friend brings,  
And that is why they are my favourite things.

## Old Boys

**Verity Longmore** has just left Bury College studying Biology, Psychology and Photography. Her photographs have been displayed in Manchester and Bury. She is planning to study for a BSc (Hons) in Biology at Salford University, which includes a year in the USA.

**Lauren Pilkington –Steele** has just left BRGS having studied Biology, Geography and History and is planning to study Physiotherapy at Cumbria University.

**Kristy Naylor** is going to Manchester University to study Chemistry with Forensic Science.

**Emily Wynn** is planning to study Accounting and Finance at Huddersfield University.

**Patrick Howarth** plans to study Psychology at Manchester University.

**Thomas Mallinson** has completed his Geography degree at Edinburgh University and is now an officer in their local constabulary.

**Rebecca Waterworth** has completed a BA Hons in Childhood Studies at Leeds University.

## Charity

A 20 strong group of runners ran the Race for Life at Heaton Park. In addition Year 10 pupils baked cakes and sold them at break and dinner times. In total the events raised £770.19 for Breast Cancer UK. The Lower Prep did their Toddle Waddle and raised a total of £180.40.

### Rochdale Swimming League

The series of galas saw the boys end up as runners up. The girls finished in third place.

	Boys	Girls	Cannon
Beech House	43	28	12
Castleton	15	15	6
Norden	60	60	24
St. Edwards	31	44	18

## Water Polo

The U9 team played their first matches this term and became Rochdale Champions.

### U 9 Rochdale Championship

- v Milnrow A – drew 3:3
- v Smithybridge B – won 4 :1
- v Holy Trinity - won 5:0
- v Milnrow B – won 6:0
- v Smithybridge A – lost 0:5
- Play Off
- v Milnrow A - won 6:4

### U11 European Legacy Tournament

- v Moston Lane – lost 7:10
- v Manchester High – drew 4:4
- v Scotland – won 8:6
- v Manchester High lost 4:8
- Placed 4<sup>th</sup>

## Golf

### South East Lancashire Under 21.

Jessica Rigby won the girls' event to retain her title for the third year.

### North of England Under 18

Jessica Rigby – 17<sup>th</sup> – 5 over par

## School Colours

Full School Colours are awarded to members of the school who represent their Country. Half Colours are awarded to those who have been selected for representative sides.

Cricket - Joe Smith-Butler – Rochdale U13

## Swimming

### Rochdale Primary Championships

An excellent performance in the gala saw Beech House win a record 19 medals. The top performances were by the year 5 boys. James Hart became Rochdale's u10 breaststroke champion, whilst George Preston, Areeb Haidery and Aston Buckley joined him as Rochdale's u10 medley and freestyle champions. Overall the school finished in third place.

James Hart receives his medal from the guest of honour, our own Miss Potter



### Rochdale Senior Championships

An unprecedented 46 medals were won in these championships. Every Beech House swimmer picked up at least one medal in a true team performance. The best individual performance was from Harry Hayden who became Rochdale's U12 breaststroke champion, joined by Greg Preston, James Wright and Zedd Simpson-Smith who became Rochdale's U12 medley relay champions. Year 9 were placed 2<sup>nd</sup>, Year 8 - 4<sup>th</sup> and Year 7- 3<sup>rd</sup>. The school was placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in the overall championship.

## Cricket

### U 11

#### Lancashire Semi Finals

v Merchant Taylors (a) lost by 119 runs

#### Friendly

v St. Jame's (a) lost by 2 runs

### ISA North of England

- v Forest Park – won by 8 runs
- v Mostyn House – won by 23 runs
- v Hulme Hall – lost by 12 runs
- v Tower College – lost by 12 runs

### U12

#### Friendly

v Springhill (a) – lost by 63 runs

### Rochdale Championship

- v St. Cuthbert's - won by 7 runs
- v Middleton Tech.– won by 22 runs
- v Cardinal Langlely - lost by 5 runs

### U13

#### Friendly

v Heywood (a) – lost by 30 runs

### Cup

Beech House	48 for 6
St. Cuthbert's	49 for 3

### Rochdale Championship

- v Middleton Tech. – lost by 19 runs
- v Cardinal Langlely – won by 2 runs
- v Select XI – won by 22 runs

### Semi Final

v Oulder Hill – lost by 11 runs

## Athletics

### ISA North of England Finals

- U7 60m- Harry Hamilton – 5<sup>th</sup>
- U11 80m - Connor Leyland – 6<sup>th</sup>
- U12 Javelin – Jack Brook – 4<sup>th</sup>
- U12 Shot Putt – Daniel Matthews – 6<sup>th</sup>

### Independent Prep School

This year Beech House produced three champions. Jenja Rahman won the U8 200m and Harry Hamilton and Jacob Hill in the U7 and U10 400m respectively. The final positions were:-

- 1<sup>st</sup> Highfield Priory – 123
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Firwood Manor - 105
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Mount Carmel – 82
- 4<sup>th</sup> Bury Catholic Prep – 80
- 5<sup>th</sup> Beech House – 75

### Rochdale Championships

- U12 200m – Ryan Mathews – 3<sup>rd</sup>
- U12 Shot – Jack Brook – 4<sup>th</sup>
- U13 Shot – Navarrah Graziano – 4<sup>th</sup>
- U13 1500 - Jackson Cowie – 4<sup>th</sup>
- U14 800m – Jack Higginson – 5<sup>th</sup>
- U14 Shot – Chelsea Outram – 4<sup>th</sup>

### Final Placing

- |                                |                          |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Year 7 Boys – 13 <sup>th</sup> | Girls – 14 <sup>th</sup> |
| Year 8 Boys – 14 <sup>th</sup> | Girls – 14 <sup>th</sup> |
| Year 9 Boys – 13 <sup>th</sup> | Girls – 13 <sup>th</sup> |
| Year 9 Boys – 12 <sup>th</sup> |                          |

Mr Hyde presents the trophy to Mercury House Captain, Sophia Cruz



## Sports Day

The Prep Sports Day started in sunshine but dark clouds loomed on the horizon. Although the rain drops were heavy it was insufficient to stop the event. A large crowd watched some excellent running, in a very close event. 1<sup>st</sup> Mercury – 212, 2<sup>nd</sup> Jupiter – 208, 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturn – 205, 4<sup>th</sup> Neptune – 189. The Senior Sports Day took place in glorious sunshine. It was dominated by Mercury once again and the trophy was collected by the House Captain, from the sponsor of the events, Mr Hyde. The final totals were: 1<sup>st</sup> Mercury – 185, 2<sup>nd</sup> Neptune -163, 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturn – 143, 4<sup>th</sup> Jupiter -136.

## Basketball

### U11 Rochdale Preliminary Tournament

v Our Lady & St. Paul's lost 0:5    v St. John's Thornham lost 0:5  
v St. Vincent's lost 0:8                    v Broadfield won 2:1

## Boxing

In a sport new to the school this term six pupils from the school took part in the first ever Inter Schools Boxing Championships at Broad Oak Sports College. Aleem Tahir and Fahid Arshad both won their bouts. Aston Buckley, Subhan Mahmood and Omar Tahir all drew. The only defeat was suffered by Jacob Malkin.

## Rounders

### U11 ISA North of England

Placed 4th

#### Friendly

v St. James (a) lost

#### U13 League

v Middleton - won 7.5 : 6.5

v Wardle – lost 14:6

v St. Cuthbert's – lost 1:6

v Holy Family – lost 0:3

v Springhill - won 14.5:6

v Oulder Hill – lost 0:3

#### Friendly

v Heywood – won 10.5:4.5

#### Tournament

v Springhill – drew 3.5:3.5

v Hollingworth – lost 1:7

v St. Cuthbert's – lost 3.5:7.5

#### U14 Cup

v Springhill - won 3.5:3

v Hollingworth – lost 2:6

v St. Cuthbert's – lost 2.5:3

#### U15 League

v Middleton - lost 6.5 : 14

v Wardle – won 3:0

v St. Cuthbert's – lost 6:15

v Holy Family – lost 4.5:6

v Springhill – won 3:0

v Oulder Hill – lost 2:6

#### Tournament

v St. Cuthbert's -lost 3.5: 9.5

v Hollingworth- lost 3.5:16

v Siddal Moor- lost 3:9

## Soccer

The U16 team were runners up in their league, whilst the U14 team were crowned champions.

### U9 Friendly

v Huddersfield (a) lost 1:7

### U11

#### Friendly

v Farrowdale (h) lost 0:2

v Healy (h) lost 1:4

v Huddersfield (a) lost 0:2

#### League

v St Mary's (a) won 9 : 1

v Lower Place (a) lost 2:10

v St. Mary's (a) lost 2:0

v Holy Family (h) lost 0:6

v Spotland (a) drew 1:1

v Kentmere (a) lost 1:3

v St. Peters (a) won 5:0

#### Cup

v Holy Family lost 1:2

v Alice Ingham won 2:0

v Castleton drew 0:0

penalties 2:3

#### Oldham Tournament

vThorp drew 0:0

v St. Aiden lost 0:4

v Lydndhurst C won 3:0

v Broadfield won 1:0

#### Quarter Final

v Lydndhurst A lost 0:3

#### U14 League

v Southern Cross (a) won 11:5

v New Park (a) won 6:2

v Belmont (h) won 5:3

#### U16 League

v Belmont (a) lost 5:8

v New Park (a) drew 6:6

The U11 Gymnastics Team



## Gymnastics

The Year 3 & 4 gymnastics team comprising of Colleen Bingham, Harry Hamilton, Mahirah Hasan and Natalie El-Hage, competed in the preliminary round of the Mini- Games gymnastics competition. The team members each performed really well and a combined score of 71.5 gave Beech House 2<sup>nd</sup> place. The team then competed in the Mini-Games Finals at Siddal Moor High School with Asim Butt replacing and Venna Simic replacing Mihirah, coming fourth.

## House Points

All pupils in the prep Departments of the school are to be congratulated on the number of House Points they have achieved this year.

The final totals for the year are:-

1<sup>st</sup> Saturn - 2873  
2<sup>nd</sup> Mercury - 2563  
3<sup>rd</sup> Neptune - 2444  
4<sup>th</sup> Jupiter - 2279