

No 13 - 5th March 2008

Dear Parents, Staff, Governors and friends,



PTA QUIZ NIGHT ON FRI 14TH MARCH

A second chance this year to enjoy Mrs Hilton's famous Quiz Night. Bring a team - ask your friends – or just come along yourselves and we'll introduce you to some others. It's a really sociable occasion – fun but quite a contest. Excellent food - but no licensed bar - bring your own drink (and glasses). Tickets are £6 each, including food. Tickets £6. Please send ticket request with cash/cheque payable to Tapton School PTA to Mr Storer at school.



CONGRATULATIONS

To all students who have completed their Bronze and Silver **Duke of Edinburgh's Award** over the past year.

Between them, they have contributed over a thousand hours of service to the community, spent over a thousand hours performing their skill and another thousand hours doing their physical recreation.



WESTON PARK HOSPITAL CANCER APPEAL

We're halfway through and have raised £1400 so far, so we should be able to reach our £4000 target by 14 th March. A lot of students have done sponsored events; please help them to collect their money and get them to return it by 4 th March (next Friday) Many students have worked very hard. Well done! **Remember Prof Barry Hancock is giving a lecture in school for all interested people on Weds 19 th March 7.00 – 8.00** , please try to come.



NATIONAL SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING WEEK 2008

Takes place from Friday 7 th – Friday 16 th March. We have a lot of activities going on for pupils during this week. Please remember to support our public events. Bring along friends and family. You will have received a separate flyer advertising these, but a final reminder:

Saturday 8th March: 12:00 – 20:00 “Astro Day 2008”. Drop in at any time to visit the planetarium / hear lectures / view Mars through the telescopes / enjoy lots of hands on activities There's no charge.

Tuesday 11 th March: 19:00 – 20:00 “The Antarctic Experience”. Miss Hollinger’s account of her two month expedition to the highest, driest and windiest continent on Earth.

Please come, and bring friends and neighbours and their families.

Weston Park Museum have asked us to draw your attention to their Science Week events aimed at KS3 students and their families:

Sat 15th March 1.30 – 2.30 “Bothersome boys and demanding daughters: the cost of reproduction in humans” and 3.00 – 4.00 “Insect Insights: what creepy crawlies can teach us”

Sun 16th March 3.00 –4.00 “Vegetable Vampires: the gruesome tale of parasitic and carnivorous plants”

Places at the Museum are limited and should be booked in advance on 0114 278 2655



6TH FORM CHARITY WEEK EVENTS

Mon 17 th March afterschool 4 – 6 p.m. Make-up and Hair Styling for Y7 boys and girls

Hair-styling and gel will be available for girls and boys and make-up for girls in room S24.

Crisps and squash available on the night.

Tues 18th March 7.30 pm School Hall It's here! 6th Form Charity Concert

Come and see Tapton’s annual musical extravaganza. There is something for everyone from the cultural heights of orchestra to the soothing sounds of Big Band. Tickets are now on sale every break and lunch in the foyer (adults £5, £3 conc). Just sit back, relax and enjoy the music, knowing that your money is going to help a charity

Saturday 22nd March The Definitive Duck Race of 2008 in Endcliffe Park

The time for the Annual Tapton Charity Duckathlon has arrived! As part of the 6 th Form Charity Week we will once again be racing our fleet of ducks (rubber duckies of course ...) down the Porter in Endcliffe Park. Last year’s winner, Quackerjack, will be returning with other old favourites such as Ducktor Who and Captain Quack Sparrow to win you prizes! Including a £20 Argos Voucher, a Signed Sheffield United Football and Sheffield Wednesday programme, a Free Meal VOUCHER FOR THE Balti King in Broomhill and many more! Also on the day will be various stalls and games to play such as Beat the Goalie and Duck the 6 th Former, a Cake Stall, Face Painting and

Bouncy Castle. You'll be able to support your ducks next week at break and lunchtime in the school Foer for just £1 a duck. You'd be quackers to miss it!



OTHER COMING EVENTS

March 10-14	Science & Technology Week Y8 Exams
Tues 11 th March	Y12 Politics Trip to London
Tues 11 th & Thurs 13 th March	AS Drama Performances
Weds 12 th March	Y12 Parents Evening 4.30 – 7.00
Thurs 13 th & Fri 14 th March	Sociology Revision Conferences
Fri 14 th March	PTA Quiz Night 7.30 p.m.
March 17 th-19 th	6 th Form Charity Week
Tues 18 th March	6 th Form Charity Concert D of E Awards night at the Cutlers Hall
Weds 19 th March	Y10 Reports to Parents Last Day of Term for Students
Thurs 20 th March	Staff Training Day
Thurs 3 rd April	D of E training walk
April 5-6	D of E training overnight camp
Mon 7 th April	First Day of Summer Term



SPORTS REPORT

Rugby! The Six Nations' Rugby Tournament is upon us. So is Rugby at Tapton! Many congratulations to the Y7 Rugby team who won the Sheffield emerging rugby schools tournament held just before half term at Sheffield RUFC. They go on to the S. Yorks finals at Barnsley RUFC. The Y8 team did equally well but failed to make the finals on try difference to Silverdale. This is a remarkable achievement for both year groups as it is their first competitive outing. Well done both year groups. Mr D. Lunn