

Triumph At Horsham and Honourable Defeat at Surbiton.

Burys Court's Hockey season kicked into fifth gear this week with mixed results. At Horsham Hockey Club on Sunday afternoon, the team triumphed in a quadrangular tournament involving Horsham A and B teams and the Steve Batchelor Academy Team based at Cranleigh School. However, Wednesday saw the team play the two toughest teams that we are ever likely to encounter at Surbiton Hockey Club and we experienced -for the first time in two years- the bitter taste of defeat.

On Sunday, the team played three games. The first, against Horsham B, saw BC at its brilliant best. George Mustchin took the ball down the right wing, dribbled around the opponents' reverse stick sides for Tarran Lineham to score no less than four goals as centre forward. Skipper Oscar Loft also scored two in a dominant team display.

Horsham B and SBA were much more challenging. The first game resulted in a 1-1 draw with Lineham scoring again but the second game -against SBA was the hardest yet. The game remained scoreless. When one considers that the SBA coach, Steve Batchelor was a hockey GOLD MEDALLIST, BC's achievement was fantastic.

BC won the tournament having scored more goals than the other teams; our aggregate of 7-1 bears testimony to the quality of the side.

Wednesday at Surbiton was akin to Daniel in the lions' den. The two opponents, Parkside and St.Andrew's, Woking, are indisputably top hockey schools. Our first match against Parkside resulted in defeat but a 0-1 score line shows that the team fought well. Loft in particular dazzled with strength and determination. The real stinger was the St.Andrew's game which proved a bridge too far. They played superbly and, despite persevering manfully, we were beaten 4-0 although fortune was not on our side.

In a perverse sense, we needed this shock! Complacency -if it ever existed- has been eradicated. The Hawthorns will realise that a wounded tiger is extremely dangerous. When we meet St. Andrew's on the 16th, we WILL ensure that our wing-backs stay on the wing, that Lineham will attack the ball with his usual terrifying gusto and that opponents' reverse stick sides are perpetually threatened.

I am excited about the next two weeks. NO SIDE is more skilful than BC. Once we go back to the basics, the hockey world had better watch out!



## James Tindall

James is England's leading scorer in the 2010 Commonwealth Games, He will be visiting Burys Court School at 4.30p.m. on Thursday 17th February. James will discuss with the School Hockey Squad set pieces and new, innovative skills to ensure that our performances this season can improve even more.

Everyone welcome to come along and meet James.

Dear Parents

**Dates for your diary:**

Moon Hall College Parents Evening.  
College 1,2 and 3—Tuesday 8th February  
2011 from 4.30p.m.

Appointment times will be issued shortly.

**Monday 28th February 2011**

Swimming Gala at Dunnottar School, Reigate  
Year 3—College 1.

**Wednesday 2nd March 2011**

Court Circle Parents Association meeting at  
8.00p.

**Saturday 5th March 2011**

Open Day

**Thursday 24th and Friday 25th March**

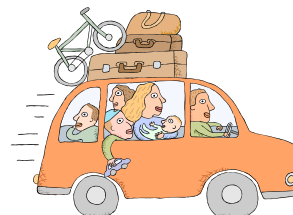
2011. College performance of Buggy Malone.

February 2011		
<b>Monday 7th</b>	Lunch 4.00p.m. 4.30p.m.	Spaghetti Bolognese with salad Apricot Crumble and Custard Drum Lesson Football club
<b>Tuesday 8th</b>	Lunch 4.30p.m. 4.30p.m. Onwards	Chicken Fajitas with sour cream, Guacamole and Salsa. Chocolate Mousse. Italia Conti Parents Evening Col. 1,2 and 3.
<b>Wednesday 9th</b>	Lunch 4.30p.m.	Sausage Casserole with mash potatoes Jam sponge and cream Hockey v Hawthorns (A) (U11's) Art Club
<b>Thursday 10th</b>	Lunch 4.30p.m.	Shepherds Pie with carrots Rice Pudding Hockey Club (Team only)
<b>Friday 11th</b>	Lunch 4.30p.m.	Fish fingers chips and peas Yogurt Hockey Club (mixed ability)

**Half Term**

Last day is Friday 18th February 2011, school finishes usual time 4.00p.m.

School resumes on Monday 28th February at 8.20p.m. and after school activities start again this week.



**Parent contact details.**

Please advise me if you have changed address, phone number including mobile or email address. Without accurate contact details it is difficult to keep parents advised of important school events.

**Absence**

Please advise the school office first if your child will not be attending school due to sickness, medical or dental appointment. I will forward the message onto the relevant teacher. Following this procedure will stop unnecessary calls to parents asking why their child is not at school.

Messages regarding absence can be left on the school answerphone out of school hours on 01306 611372 or email [enquiries@moonhallcollege.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@moonhallcollege.co.uk)

School commences at 8.20a.m. Children arriving before that time should go and wait in the music room. If your child arrives after 8.30a.m. they are classed as being late and should report to the school office in the first instance to receive their mark in the register before going to class.





