



Newsletter

August

2013

Welcome back to Brigade:

We start back on Wednesday 4th September at our usual times. It is Uniform week when we start back. Anyone needing new or bigger uniform please ask for a Uniform order form.

During the last term Joanne Mills decided to take a break from Brigade and has stepped down from leading the Martins. We thank Joanne for all her work with the Martins over many years. Peter Corbishley is now leading the Martins but we need some parent helpers. If you can help on a rota, speak to Sue. We have some room for new members in all sections now.

Moving up!

Some of our members are moving up when we start back:

Moving up to JTC : Anabel Sefton, Jessica Holland, Aaron Snowden
and Thomas Charlesworth

Moving up to Seniors : Baden Brumell, Olivia Keiran, Rebecca McDonald
and Caitlin Maskrey

Congratulations

To Charlotte Hitchen, Olivia Walker, Jack Hicklin and Emily Fletcher on their GCSE results. Best Wishes from us all for your future studies.

..... **and to Chris Brown** ...he was selected at 800m to represent the Greater Manchester Schools Team at the English Schools championships at Birmingham in July.

At the Northern championships at Hull he came 6th in the 1500m and did a PB in the 400m. This weekend he is running in Bedford for the Nationals where he is doing a 800m this will have heats, semis and a final!

Climbing lessons.

If you would like to learn to climb, there is a small group from Brigade that go to the Climbing wall at Oldham Sports Centre every Friday from 4pm to 5:30. We have all the equipment and work with the Instructors from OCL. It's good fun, good exercise and exciting. If you want to join us or get more information speak to John C. If you want to join us, your parents must fill in a consent for before you can climb. It costs about £3 per session (after you've bought an Oldham Active card for £2)

ROCK Climbing opportunity

The instructors from OCL are leading a climb at Dovestones, on Robs Rock on Saturday 21st September. If anyone wants to join them, please let John know. You'll need to be accompanied by a parent if you're under 18.

Bonus Ball Club update.

Winners of our £20 weekly draw since the last Newsletter:

18-May-13	15	Kathryn Keiran
25-May-13	43	Richard Walker
01-Jun-13	9	Mark McDonald
01-Jun-13	9	Kath Hartley
08-Jun-13	14	Jean Chadwick
08-Jun-13	14	Denise Fitton
15-Jun-13	27	Phil McLean
22-Jun-13	34	Graham Lees
29-Jun-13	4	Victoria Armstrong
13-Jul-13	32	Richard Walker
13-Jul-13	32	Helen Corbishley
20-Jul-13	31	Clare Kelly
27-Jul-13	37	Lorraine Halley
03-Aug-13	15	Kathryn Keiran
10-Aug-13	18	Susan Corbishley
10-Aug-13	18	Johnnie Hartley
17-Aug-13	43	Richard Walker
24-Aug-13	1	Perry Gunn

THANK YOU, for your support!

If you want to help support Brigade, financially, join our Bonus Ball club for £1 per number per week. We do have some spare numbers. See John or Sue for an application form.

Duke of Edinburgh's Award

Fund Raising.

Some of our Seniors have been fund raising for various Charities as the volunteering part of their D of E Award. Rebecca led the Red Nose day - Fancy dress Band Practice which raised £40 for Comic Relief and Olivia Fryer organised a Copper Pot challenge where teams of Seniors saved copper money over many weeks. Others sabotaged their efforts by placing silver coins in their box which counted against their total. The winning team only had a net total of 14p BUT the Booth Centre has benefited to the tune of £41. A piece of Heaven on a Wednesday night! A sponsored Silence raised £120 split between The Wood St Mission and Help for Heroes. We must do that again!

Letters of thanks are on the notice board

Well done everyone.

Band Notes:

Longridge Field Day - Carnival and display.

The band took part in a very long Carnival on an extremely hot day. Then we performed our Display from the Competition on the field, in front of a very large crowd, well done band. That paid for the coach to the competition! Thanks to Janet Redding and her staff from the local Brigade who provided us with somewhere to get changed and lunch. It was a good day and we're booked for next year! Thanks to all the Water Carriers!

Hollinwood Carnival for St Margaret's.

The band led Hollinwood Carnival on another extremely hot summers day. We would like to thank the organisers for allowing our drummers to play in memory of the murdered Drummer Lee Rigby and collect donations for Help for Heroes. They collected £83 and gave a very good performance.

Pennine Trust NHS choir concert.

The band played with the Pennine Trust NHS Choir when they came to give a Concert in Church. Many people commented how much they enjoyed the music from both the Choir and our Band with the drummers getting particularly good comments.

Advance notice:

20th October - Trafalgar Day parade for Sea Cadets in Manchester This is the same weekend as the National Band practice so we will need to make some arrangements

9th November - We have been invited to lead the music at the Brigades Remembrance Service at the National Memorial Arboretum, at Arlewas, near Lichfield. We will need everyone for this event and help with transport from parents. It WILL be a good day out.

10th November - **Remembrance Sunday, parade service in Church.**

6th December - Band Concert - Proposed at this point but please keep the date free until we confirm. Following our performance at the NHS choir concert we have been encouraged to put on another show.

D of E Expedition

Our Bronze group undertook their Qualifying expedition in early August. Chris Brown with Courtney Hitchen, Alice Hicklin, Olivia Fryer and Leoni Hilton went from Delph to camp at Hollingworth lake, then on to finish at Luzley Brook. Thanks to Peter for acting as Supervisor and Perry for assessing them. Lets hope the presentation goes well when we go back to Brigade!

Dates for your diaries

September

- 4th & 6th Return to Brigade & Uniform Nights**
- 8th Parade Sunday and Band playing**
- 8th A Service of Celebration for Colonel Don Nuttall MBE
At Holy Trinity Platt, 11:30pm
- 18th Mothers Union Meeting
- 21st Outdoor Rock climbing at Dovestones with OCL.
- 28th National Sports and Hockey at Blackpool**

October

- 5th & 6th Young Leaders / Interfaith Weekend at the
Anderton Centre, Rivington, Chorley
- 9th & 11th Uniform Nights**
- 12th Regimental Conference
- 13th Parade Service**
- 20th Trafalgar Day parade for Sea Cadets.
- 27th Confirmation at St Marks at 6:30pm

November

- 4th & 6th Uniform Nights**
- 9th Remembrance Service at National Memorial Arboretum.
- 10th Remembrance Sunday - Parade Sunday**
- 20th Mothers Union Meeting
- 23rd Brigade AGM- Leicester
- 23rd Church Christmas Fair
- 29th - 1st National Band Weekend

December

- 6th Band Concert in Church.
- 7th Oldham Battalion Coffee Morning
- 17th Regimental Commanders Meeting
- 18th Mothers Union Meeting
- 20th Brigade closes for Christmas
- 22nd Youth Sunday and Nativity
- 23rd Carol Singing round the parish 7pm

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John, Jonny and Chris had a great time at **Regimental Camp**.
Start saving now and join us next year! Report next month.