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## Principal's Newsletter, January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2009

Dear Parents,

Another busy week has been had by us all with a variety of academic and sporting successes. Year 11 and 13 students have been taking their Mock exams and I must say I have not seen too much stress on my frequent visits to the PPMH.

I extend my thanks and congratulations to our Art teachers, Mr. Ben Smith and Mr. Vernon Clarke, and to all the students who were involved in the Art Show at City Hall. I went along to the opening on Monday evening and enjoyed the excellent displays from Warwick and many other schools. Also, thanks to Mrs. Duffield for putting together the primary display. My thanks go to the many staff who supported with their presence, and especially to Cheri Hunter, who was there as yearbook photographer, a very time consuming job.

The UN School's Conference is held in New York every year at the United Nations and, as they did last year, the WAPTA is sponsoring the two students who have been nominated to attend, **Charles Field and Jason Ebbin**. This is just one area where all the hard work you all put into fundraising assists the students of our school. Charles and Jason are in Year 12 and 13 and they will come back and make a report on their experiences to our staff and students.

The Bake Sale and Car Wash scheduled for tomorrow at the school to raise funds for the Year 9 charity, Save the Children in the Sudan has been postponed due to the predicted inclement weather. This will now take place on Saturday, February 21<sup>st</sup>.

Finally, we ask you to help with the problem we are having with dog faeces on the School Playing Field. If you do come to collect your son or daughter from an event on the field (whether it be during the school week or at the weekend) please do not go onto the field with a dog (even if it is on a leash). The fields are used, not just for sporting events, but also at recess and lunchtime. Stepping in / falling in / rolling in dog faeces is, at the very least unpleasant, and at the worst dangerous. All dogs harbour so-called coliform bacteria, which live in the gut. The group includes E. coli, a bacterium that can cause disease, and faecal coliform bacteria, which spread through faeces. Dogs also carry salmonella and giardia. Whilst we are aware that most dog owners are careful with their dogs in areas where children play and do pick up any faeces we wish to discourage the presence of all dogs on the school field at any time. Please help us with this.

Have a safe and enjoyable weekend,  
Maggie McCorkell

### Merit winners January 19 – 25, 2009

1<sup>st</sup> – **Marc Willmott** Y7 Morgan 10 merits

2<sup>nd</sup> – **Russell Conyers** Y8 Rhodes 7 merits

3<sup>rd</sup> – All from Y7 with 6 merits – **Fiona Dobson** Rhodes, **Ryan Robb** Patton, **Joshua Snelling** Rhodes

### Masterworks Competition for 400 celebrations – Mr. Bough reports

For the Bermuda 400 celebrations Masterworks wants to involve schools in a postcard design competition. They aim to have 400 postcards from students from across Bermuda to put on display. The postcards need to be 5” x 7” in size and must have an historical theme –celebrating the 400 years of Bermuda. The closing date is 28 February. I would like to have a set of Postcards to pass on to Masterworks from Warwick Academy. More details are available at;

<http://www.bermudamasterworks.com/1/events/324?id=9537fc66f799401a43c18a36cc44eb>

### A message from Glen Fubler and Imagine Bermuda 2009

Hi Friends,

Happy New Year! Imagine Bermuda held a very successful walk on New Year’s Day at Spittal Pond. We are holding another Walk in Flatts, as outlined on the flyer below. We are inviting the schools to send five representatives per general level: i.e. 5 for secondary, 5 for middle and 5 for primary. However, for the two Senior schools we are inviting 5 for each year level. Please confirm your numbers by end of day, Tuesday, 3/2/09. Parents and teachers are invited to accompany their young people. Participants are invited –if they are minded to do so – to dress in spirit of the times; i.e. in 50’s style or early 1900’s which relates to other aspects of the Walk.

Thank you for your cooperation.  
Glenn Fubler

*Imagine Bermuda 2009*

Presents

*A ‘Walk Through History’ in Flatts Village*

On the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Progressive Group’s 1<sup>st</sup> Secret Meeting

#### HIGHLIGHTS

- *Trace the steps of PG members- avoiding Surveillance- to their 1<sup>st</sup> Secret meeting – weeks later, they hatched the Theatre Boycott*
  - *William Zuill Sr. on the link of Whitney to the invention of the Radio*
  - *Karen McPhee on great-grandfather Clarence Darrell - noted ‘Flattsonian’*
  - *Louis Mowbrey on grandfather’s role at Aquariums in BDA, Boston, N.Y.C.*
    - *C.V. (Jim) Woolridge on Flatts Cricket & the Eastern Counties*

PARK at Whitney Institute

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2009 – 2.30pm

(1<sup>st</sup> Secret Meeting of P.G. was on Sunday Feb. 8, 1959 in Flatts Village)

### Creative Writing Club - Commonwealth Essay Competition

Mr. Hassen and the English Dept. will be starting preparations for entries for the competition in the 1<sup>st</sup> workshop this coming Thursday, Feb 5th in B4 BH at 3.45. The 2<sup>nd</sup> workshop in preparation for this will be on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> Feb.

\*Students will be expected to do a 1<sup>st</sup> draft over the half-term holiday, ready for submission in the 2<sup>nd</sup> workshop. It's open to all year groups with prizes ranging from 500 GBP for 1<sup>st</sup> prize to 100 GBP for 4<sup>th</sup> place, including publication.

**Closing Date Deadline: 1<sup>st</sup> March 2009**

### BASKETBALL

**Below is the Warwick Middle School Girls 31 vs BHS 8 basketball report from a poetic Mr. Lowery.**

I'm not a writer nor a poet, I just call it like they show it  
I let you feel it, how they reveal it  
And give the flavor, you can savor (yes it's spelled with OR, I'm American)  
My time is now done, here is how it went down in game 1!

The Lady Bears had a long period of hibernation and apparently did not eat very well before the long nap. They woke up famished, starving and ready to feast – the beast was released! Leading the pack was **Ciara Svensen & Janelle Simmons** with 10 & 17 points respectively. Both Ciara and Janelle worked the post plays with precision – backing down their opponents and hitting bank shots with ease. Tenacity on the defensive end was displayed by **Teara Thomas & Sharri Weldon** with a combined total of 7 steals. I would be remiss if I didn't mention that we were without our starting point guard and **Keunna Dill** stepped in handled the pressure and lived up to my expectations of being my 3 position player. Much work is to be done, but it was a good start to the season. Come check the Lady Bears, as the feast has only begun!

#### **Mr. Thorne reports:**

On Tuesday my middle school boys basketball team started very slowly against Somersfield Academy, but eventually we won by the score of 18-12. We have much to work on, but overall it was a solid start to the season. **Juron Tucker** led all scorers with 7 points followed by **Deondre Trott** with 5.

Our senior girls' basketball team lost against a very experienced Berkeley team yesterday, but I was pleased they battled till the final whistle.

Our senior (varsity) boys lost a very close game against Berkeley last night with three seniors out due to exams. The score was WA 40, Berkeley 44, but this could have been very different with a full team and less missed lay-ups. **Kevin Minors** was fantastic and led by example with 14 points. Not to be outshone, Ra'ees Tankard, who is only in year 10, matched Kevin's points and I predict a great future for this young man. He was simply outstanding. Other youngsters who shone on the evening were **Joshua Malpas** and **Danté Wellman**, who considering their age were never daunted by their older opponents. On Friday both high school teams play once again at home against Saltus, so please come out and support.

Not to mention the cheerleaders who cheered 2 full hours, for 2 games on Tuesday. They did a fantastic job..all 30 of them!

### Cross country success WA win overall honours

**Out of 10 schools WA was only team to place in the top 3 in all age categories**

Starting the day off were our under 13 girls who placed 2<sup>nd</sup> overall behind a strong BHS team.

Girls Individual results:

Under 13

**Gabriella Arnold** 7<sup>th</sup>  
**Esaiah Lister** 8<sup>th</sup>  
**Katie Paige** 19<sup>th</sup>  
**Kayla Corday** 21<sup>st</sup>  
**Emma Keane** 23<sup>rd</sup>  
**Lindsay Fisher** 31<sup>st</sup>  
**Brinae Godwin** 60<sup>th</sup>

Over 13

**Kamryn Minors** 4<sup>th</sup>  
**Sydney Neal** 12<sup>th</sup>  
**Ciara Svensen** 13<sup>th</sup>  
**Keunna Dill** 16<sup>th</sup>  
**Kiarrah Rogers** 25<sup>th</sup>  
**Erica Balcombe** 26<sup>th</sup>  
**Teara Thomas** 46<sup>th</sup>  
**Ashley Davies** 47<sup>th</sup>

Our under 13 boys placed 3<sup>rd</sup> overall with 73 points, just one point shy of second placed Dellwood. Clearwater were deserved winners with a mere 35 points.

**Justin Ferreira** placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in this race and **Conor Outerbridge** a very respectable 6<sup>th</sup>, but all runners need to be congratulated as this is a team event and one where the lowest score is the focus. The team were:

**Justin Ferreira** 3<sup>rd</sup>  
**Conor Outerbridge** 6<sup>th</sup>  
**Bryce** 19<sup>th</sup>  
**Conor Smith** 20<sup>th</sup>  
**Ryan Cantarella** 25<sup>th</sup>  
**Andrew Brookes** 29<sup>th</sup>  
**Conner Custodio** 37<sup>th</sup>  
**Cameron Neal** 41<sup>st</sup>

**The top 5 from each school count towards team totals**

The over 13 girls also placed 2<sup>nd</sup>, but behind Saltus this time.

The over 13 boys won comfortably with a slight total of 40 points.

**Justin Corday** finished 2<sup>nd</sup>  
**Kyle Harvey** 6<sup>th</sup>  
**Rory Wilson** 7<sup>th</sup>  
**Cameron Patkos** 11<sup>th</sup>  
**Deondre Trott** 14<sup>th</sup>  
**Matari Tannock** 16<sup>th</sup>  
**Nazhir Smith** 21<sup>st</sup>  
**Christopher Alexander** 30<sup>th</sup>