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HIGHLIGHTS in this issue are

• **Swimming**

King's beat a much fancied Bromsgrove team in U16 Medley relay.

RUGBY

March

U13 Sevens, St Mary's Hall

v Arnold School	lost	5-15
v Packwood Haugh	won	30-22
v Oratory Prep	lost	7-12
v St David's	won	30-7

Plate - Quarter Final

v Ellesmere	won	28-10
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Semi-Final

v Oratory St Phillips	lost	10-12
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Sunday 11 March

1st VII North of England Sevens

v MGS	lost	19-38
v Hereford Cathedral Sch	won	17-14
v Liverpool College	lost	7-12



HOCKEY

Tuesday 6 February

Under 16 Girls' Hockey National Plate

Knock out Competition Round 2

v Altrincham Girls' Grammar School

Having beaten Manchester High 3-1 in Round 1 (Lucy Askey x 3) we progressed to Round 2.

The result was a superb 3-1 win with goals scored by Sophie Fox (2) and Eleanor Rousseau. We now face Shrewsbury High School in Round 3.

Team: Zoe Wolstencroft, Hatty Ravenscroft, Tiah Jones, Rebecca Saxon, Hannah Woodley, Liz Brierley, Sarah Branley, Sophie Fox (U15), Rebecca Bamford, Sarah Pickering, Katherine Baker, Eleanor Rousseau.

Monday 19 February

Under 16 Girls' Hockey National Plate

Knock out Competition Round 3

v Shrewsbury High School

The Shrewsbury team proved to be very strong opposition but the togetherness of the Kings side made it a very exciting game. Shrewsbury had many skilled individuals and possession had to be fought for. Although Kings were 1-0 up at half time the second half saw Kings perform at a far greater work rate and in positive support of each other. Shrewsbury's efforts were rewarded late on in the second half when they equalized making the final score 1 -1 (Sarah Broadbent).

Five penalty strokes per team were therefore necessary and unfortunately Shrewsbury scored 4 goals - (Zoe Wolstencroft made a magnificent save) to Kings 1 (S. Broadbent).

Full Time Result : King's 1 - 1 Shrewsbury High School

Penalty Strokes: King's 1 - 4 Shrewsbury

Saturday 24 February

v Queens High School for Girls

Queens High School have always had the reputation of being strong opposition and particularly since they still have their 3rd round of the National Plate competition to play we approached the match with great determination and the motivation to win.

In fact it proved to be the best demonstration of teamwork and slick stick skills yet. The Kings spatial awareness and movement on and off the ball was some of the best hockey I have seen in a long time. Everyone was committed and focused. It was a delight to watch such an exciting match.

The final result was a very well deserved 3 - 0 win to King's. (Katherine Baker, Sarah Broadbent, Caroline Shorland.)

Team: Zoe Wolstencroft GK, Hatty Ravenscroft , Tiah Jones, Sophie Fox, Rebecca Bamford, Sarah Branley, Katherine Baker, Eleanor Rousseau, Sarah Pickering,

Sarah Broadbent, Lucy Askey, Caroline Shorland
DMB



Saturday 24 February

**U14/U13 Mixed Girls' Hockey Match
v Queens High School Chester**

Unfortunately the Queen's team was a much stronger and experienced side. The score was disappointing 6-0 to Queen's.

DMB

Saturday 3 March

v Stockport Grammar

U16 draw 4-4

Unfortunately Stockport proved the stronger side in both U13 and U12 matches but the experience should be viewed as extremely valuable and positive.

The U16XI result shows just what hard work and commitment can do over the years. 1-3 down at half-time our girls pulled the score line back to 4-3 but in the dying moments Stockport equalized to make the final score 4-4. Great result and exciting game. Well done.

DMB

Monday 5 March

U14 Hockey Girls' County Tournament

v Hartford	draw	0-0
v Woolston	draw	0-0
v Sutton	lost	0-1
v Tarporley	lost	0-2
v Birkenhead	lost	0-3

This proved to be a very steep learning curve for our U14 team players as we had drawn some of the strongest teams in the County. They played some of their best hockey to date finding themselves pressurizing the opposition's goal on many occasions and were unlucky not



actually score that elusive goal they were so keenly seeking.

Birkenhead High went on to win the Tournament. On points King's finished 4th - a creditable effort. Well tried

Team: Sophie Worrall, Tilly Thorneycroft, Marissa Sutton, Hannah Higham, Isabel Wilkinson, Kanza Khan, Grace Hennell, Stephanie Main, Katie Pickering, Felicity Kimber, Hannah Sugden.

Saturday 10th March 2007

v St Edward's College Liverpool

As one of the last remaining fixtures of the year we always look forward to the challenging nature of these matches. However it is very difficult to prove our worth if we cannot field our strongest team. In the absence of three U16 key players (one unavoidably in a leg plaster and two on R and P Retreat) the U15 players who substituted together with the U16 regulars all played with great determination. They were by no means outplayed but it could have been such a more positive result in other circumstances.

The final result was St Edwards 2- Kings 1 (Lucy Askey)

Those U15 players then went on to play their own game. The opposition obviously had the advantage of fresher players and King's played some splendid hockey but were unfortunate to lose 2 -0 .

DMB.

Thursday 1 February

Boys' Hockey

v Cheadle Hulme

U14 won 6-0

Wednesday 7 February

v Liverpool College

1st XI won 5-2 (Joe Bryant 3, Jack Edwards, Matthew Shribman)

Tuesday 20 February

v Repton

U14 lost 2-6

Thursday 22 February

v Repton

1st XI lost 0-9

Saturday 24 February

v Elizabeth College (Guernsey)

U15 lost 1-3 (Mike Dodd)

Sunday 25 February

North of England Championships

Francis Bryant played for Cheshire U17 at Belle Vue, beat Cumbria and Wirral, lost to Lancashire. Further matches will decide which County goes on to represent the north in the National Competition.

Wednesday 28 February

v Birkenhead School

1stXI lost 1-6 (Andrew Gales)

Thursday 1 March

v Cheadle Hulme

U15 lost 1-2

Thursday 8 March

v Sandbach

U14 won 4-1

Saturday 10 March

v Merchant Taylors'

U15 won 3-2 (Mike Dodd 2, Matt Wreglesworth)

U14 lost 0-1

U13A won 18-3 v Wilmslow U13B

U14 lost 1-22

U15 won 29-2

Seniors drew 16-16

LB

Saturday 10 March

Cheshire County Tournament

The U14 netball team traveled to the Cheshire County Tournament.

In the morning, they were placed in a very strong group against some excellent teams and unfortunately lost all four matches. (However, they did manage to score at least 1 goal in each match!)

In the afternoon, they were moved into another group with 4 new teams of similar standard. They won 6-2 against Brine Leas, won 5-4 against Whitby (their first 2 wins of the season!) and then drew 4-4 against Hartford. The last match against Bishops was an excellent match, but they unfortunately lost 4-2.

Overall they came joint 2nd in the afternoon group - an excellent result!

Eight girls went altogether and they all worked extremely hard playing eight games in total and drills in between. They have all been awarded a PE department commendation.

REC

Wednesday 14 March

v Henbury High School

U12 won 14-0

U13 won 15-0

Seniors won 23-16

LB

Year 9

NETBALL



Saturday 24 February

v QEGS, Blackburn

U12 won 17-2

U13 lost 2-17

U14 lost 12-19

U15 won 35-4

U16 won 30-17 (v QEGS Seniors!)

LB

Wednesday 28 February

v All Hallows

U12A lost 3-5

U12 won 2-0

U13 lost 1-3

Seniors lost 5-10

Wednesday 7 March

Macclesfield and District League Fixture

v Wilmslow High School

U12A lost 9-10

U12B won 11-5

U13A lost 3-13 v Wilmslow U13A

CHESS

Adlington and Capesthorpe failed to raise a team (indeed not a single player!) and were disqualified. This left Tatton and Gawsworth; Tatton won 2½ - 1½ and so won the competition, Gawsworth finished second.

GL

SWIMMING

Sunday 25 February

National Finals of the Schools Biathlon

Championships

Bath University

The Year 7 team achieved a very creditable 8th team place.

Lara Knowles (=40th)

Chloe Abbott (55th)

Luisa Bianchi (56th)

Year 8 competitors:

Maggie Auslander (55th)

Maria Auslander (59th)

Year 10 Daniel Cotterill finished in 19th position out of 46.

Year 11: Hannah Hills had the performances of the day and with two stunning events 100m swim in 1min 5.82sec and 1000m run in 3mins which gave her a points total of 2265 just one point behind the winner Lucy Smith of Minster School.

Hannah is to be presented with her Trophy for 2nd place in assembly.

Well done to everyone who took part.

Tuesday 13 March

Newcastle-u-Lyme School

Seventh Annual Invitational Swimming Relays

Competing Schools:

Alsager, Alleynes, Biddulph, Bromsgrove, Nottingham, Bradford, Canon Slade, Ripley St Thomas, St Edwards College, Newcastle u Lyme and King's.

Teams:

U14 Jenny Wilson Y9, Elliott Balcombe Y9, Alice Bailey Y8, and Oliver McCloskey Y8

U16 Hannah Hills Y11, Tom Gilsenan Y10, Daniel Cotterill Y10, and Katherine Edgar Y9

U19 Katherine Baker Y11, Alison Smith Y11, Jonathan Ratcliffe Y10, Alex Eyre Y10 and Jessica Burns Y7!

Despite the mixture of ages in our teams there were some very exciting races and in fact the U16 Freestyle and Medley races were nail biting finishes.

The U14 team achieved 8th place in the Medley relay and 6th in the Freestyle.

The U19 team (well under age) achieved 10th in the Medley and 8th in the Freestyle all of which were most creditable results.

The 'Team of the Day' had to be the U16 team who were just pipped into 2nd place by 24/100ths of a second by the Newcastle team. (Alsager were 3rd 1/100th of a second behind King's!!)

However it was the Medley relay which produced the most determined effort of the meet King's had qualified as 2nd seed for the final with Bromsgrove ranked 1st but the final brought out the best in our swimmers and they fought every inch of the way to win in a time of 1min 56.27 seconds with Bromsgrove a close 2nd in 1min 56.73 seconds!

Overall results placed King's in a very commendable 5th place (out of 11 schools, most having swimming pools of their own)

Congratulations to everyone on a splendid performance.

Tom Gilsenan, Daniel Cotterill, Hannah Hills and Katherine Edgar all receive a Gold Medal and Certificates for 1st and 2nd places.

Tom will present the trophy to the Boys' Division and Hannah will present the trophy to the Girls' Division.

Overall results:

1st Nottingham	55pts
2nd Alsager	52pts
3rd NULS	48pts
4th Canon Slade	40pts
5th Kings	36pts
6th Bradford	34pts
7th Biddulph	28pts
8th Ripley St Thomas	25pts
9th St Edwards College	23pts
10th Bromsgrove	22pts
11th Alleynes	21pts
DMB	

FORMER PUPILS

Andrew Wilson (King's 1980s), son of Ian Wilson, is the Rugby League Correspondent for the Guardian and he appeared on Books n'all, the Sky TV rugby league programme on Wednesday 7 March.

