



# Brandles School Newsletter Spring 2013



## Diary Dates

Break up for half term Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February

Return to school Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February

Race Night Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March

Red Nose Day Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March

Break up for Easter 1.00pm Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March

Return to school Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April

## Sport

This half term the pupils have competed in a variety of sports. The key stage 3 football team played Falconer School, and we were very successful in the Schools Cross Country fixture finishing 2<sup>nd</sup> overall.

M. Birch came 1<sup>st</sup> in the competition for his age group.

The year 7s and 8s won the Schools Basket Ball competition, well done to S.Dawson, O.Marlow Bond, H. Aylott, M. Birch and A. Jallow Ansell.



## Meet the Governors

Hi, I am Neil Haslam, local resident of Baldock and keen cricket fan.

I have been one of Brandles governors now for getting on for 20 years and have seen many changes both to the school, its staff and its development.

As a Governor I want to continue to work for the school to ensure that Brandles continues to thrive. At present I am chair of the resources committee. If you would like to contact me, please do so through the school office.

## Brandles Secret Garden

We are delighted with the work and the progress made in our garden area. We now have allotment pitches waiting to be dug and planted. Our mini orchard has been planted and we hope the trees will bear fruit next summer.

We have an area put aside to become a social area and in the summer term we will be holding a garden party / open garden which we hope you will be able to attend.

## Spelling week

The school has registered with Mencap, to take part in a national spellathon. This will happen the week commencing 4<sup>th</sup> -10<sup>th</sup> March. All pupils and staff will take part in tutorial time.

We will be raising money both for Mencap and our school.

Please consider either sponsoring your son or making a donation. More information soon.

**PE** Please remember to send your son in with his PE kit on a Monday and we will try and remind him to bring it home on a Friday.

**Food Tech** . Unfortunately we cannot provide any more containers to bring your sons cookery home. Please send him in with a container which can be stored at school and used when he cooks.

**Motor bikes:** The pupils who work with Right Trax Motorbikes need to bring a change of clothes to wear, cold weather clothing with long sleeves on the bikes but must have full school uniform and shoes to wear after their motor bike session.



Race Night

Friday 15th March 2013

Forget Aintree Epsom Haydock and Newmarket

It's coming to you !

Own a horse for the night Place a bet. Be a race winner

Tickets £2.50 available from the Orange Tree Baldock or Brandles School  
Raising funds for Friends of Brandles



**COMIC  
RELIEF**

Red Nose Day Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March

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As a school we will run little events and competitions to raise money for  
Comic Relief.

As part of the fundraising we will have a bring and buy stall and raffle, and we would  
be very grateful for any donations towards this event.

Please send your donations into the school.

Thank you.

## Mencap Spellathon 4<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> March Brandles School

Spellathon is a free, online, sponsored spelling competition to make spelling fun for primary and secondary school pupils in the UK. The initiative is run by Mencap in partnership with Digital Giving. Every school that signs up gives their pupils the chance to improve their spelling, have access to fun, interactive online games, can win prizes and raise sponsorship money to support people with a learning disability. Schools will get back 25% of the sponsorship money they raise for Mencap..