



Oakhyrst Grange School

PREPARATORY SCHOOL FOR BOYS & GIRLS

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HEADMASTER: MR. ALEX GEAR B.Ed

18th May 2010

Dear Parents

In the light of Mrs Sibley's absence caused by her having to receive an urgent operation on her knee, I feel that it is important for me to clarify the situation with regard to the after school rounders club on Mondays.

Yesterday, I confirmed cancellation of the club and made an alternative arrangement. From next week onward I will be running a Monday after school Rounders Club for pupils from Years 2 to 6. All previous bookings for Mrs Sibley's activity have ended, I remind you that £5.00 was taken to account for the first half term. I will not make a charge for the second half of the term for Monday Rounders Club, but do expect parents to complete the attached reply slip in order to make up our registers accurately. Anyone not officially signed up by the beginning of next half term, can be accommodated in the After School Homework club at short notice, but not in the Rounders Club, which I anticipate will be heavily subscribed.

I would like to remind parents that I did offer an alternative activity on Fridays after school, with the end of term mailing, in order to provide an alternative to the Cricket that is on offer. I did not get a single reply. Secondly, the Cricket and or the Rounders should be seen as co-educational. There is more of an implication on numbers for cricket, but I will not set a restriction on pupil numbers for Rounders. It is open to both boys and girls from Years 2 to 6, clearly I assume that anyone already signed up to Cricket will continue with that option.

I have spoken to my staff, all of whom, already run clubs and activities throughout the year. My staff and I will cover the Rounders Club in rotation, and subject to my own availability I will endeavour to be present each week. Whatever happens I will certainly take my turn in running the session. These sessions are, do please make a note, commencing next Monday 24th May, Monday 7th June, Monday 14th June with the final session being **Monday 21st June**. This is the week in which all extra curricular clubs and activities finish for the term. Rehearsal arrangements for the school show will be made separately and form no part of these plans.

In the light of some of the correspondence that I have received, I wish to stress that I do place great emphasis on the teaching of games for both girls and boys. The volume of games activity throughout the school has increased considerably in my short time here. At the point of my arriving, Mrs Sibley was working at Oakhyrst part time. I enabled Mrs Sibley to go full time in January 2009. Mrs Sibley's full time appointment allowed me to properly introduce PSHE into the curriculum. In her current absence this work will be covered in house and or by supply teachers, as will Mrs Sibley's Games teaching.

I trust that this letter addresses any concerns that parents may have about the arrangements for the Rounders Club.

Yours sincerely

Mr Alex Gear
Headmaster



Mighty oaks from little acorns grow

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Please return to the office by Friday 21st May 2010

Monday Rounders Club – 3.30 – 4.30 pm – Years 2 – 6 Boys and Girls

I would like my child Year
to attend Rounders Club on the following Mondays: 24th May, 7th June, 14th June and 21st June.

Signed..... Date.....