



WELCOME to the first in a new Newsheet – called Sporting Voice – the aim is to trail **“what’s happening, what’s hot and what’s not”** in CC Sport within the secondary and Sixth form part of Claires Court Schools – to be found at our playing fields on Sat a.m and in addition on the school’s website - www.clairescourt.com.

LENT TERM sees football as our main field sport for boys, netball and hockey continue at full pace for girls. The full boys’ programme of fixtures may be found on your fixture card which will have been distributed to your son at the start of term, whilst both boys and girls’ details can be found on our website under dates. More on Golf, Real Tennis, Rowing and Sailing next week – though I can tell you the School’s Boat Club are hard at work this morning up at our Club up on the River Thames at Maidenhead Bridge!

For your information, the U14 fixtures up to half term are as follows:

TODAY – Home U14A We welcome Leighton Park School, part of our great sporting circuit of well-known local independent schools – <i>CCS Host - Mark Turner</i>	U14A			
	Saturday 31 January	Halliford	Home	10.00 K/O
	Wednesday 4 February	Bearwood	Home	2.30 pm K/O
	Saturday 7 February	Langley GS	Home	10.00 K/O
	U14B			
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TOURS CLUB – First funds allocation of £800 in 2009 has been made to support the St. Lucia tour... and in addition – herewith the return of our 100 Club for 2009.



The Tours Club will shortly be distributing information on the 100 Club giving you the opportunity to take part in the regular monthly draws. 50% of the funds raised are put into the draw fund and the remaining 50% stays in the Tours Club fund to support the many sporting tours that take place across the sports and age groups. In addition, any magic tickets we win for major sporting events we’ll pass on through the draw!

FRIDAY 23 JANUARY - Burns’ Night – ALMOST SOLD OUT _ Be quick on Monday morning!

If you want to brighten your dull February week, you could, if you are very lucky, still have time to purchase tickets for the Tours Club Burns’ Night at Claires Court on Friday 23 February. This is a lively and entertaining evening. Tickets may be obtained via the School Office at Claires Court – great value at £36 each for a full evening’s entertainment.



12 TO 23 FEBRUARY – St Lucia Cricket Tour

Much excitement is building for this Years 9 and 10 Cricket Tour to St Lucia. Final arrangements are being put in place and the itinerary will be distributed to the squad very shortly. Parents have been very active in their fund raising and together with the Tours Club are giving support to this marvellous opportunity for these boys.

SATURDAY 21 MARCH – Cross Country

Put this date in your diary – we will be adding a range of attractions to give the day fun and enjoyment for all the family. The event takes place at Station Ground in the morning.



...and finally – *“What’s happening at Station Ground?”*

- Renovation works of pavilion commenced over the Christmas holidays, with roof & awning repairs now complete, new doors arrive for changing rooms this coming week and more to happen asap...
- ...the Licensed Trade Charity (our landlords) are now concentrating on the school’s efforts to agree longer term development proposals, and we hope to extend this coming summer...
- ...when Summerleaze Gravel are due to start levelling the extension to our playing fields when the ground is dry enough, occupancy planned for September 2010 – *“beyond the gravel mound”!!!*.

Happy New Year one and all, see you soon!

*James Wilding
16 January 2009*