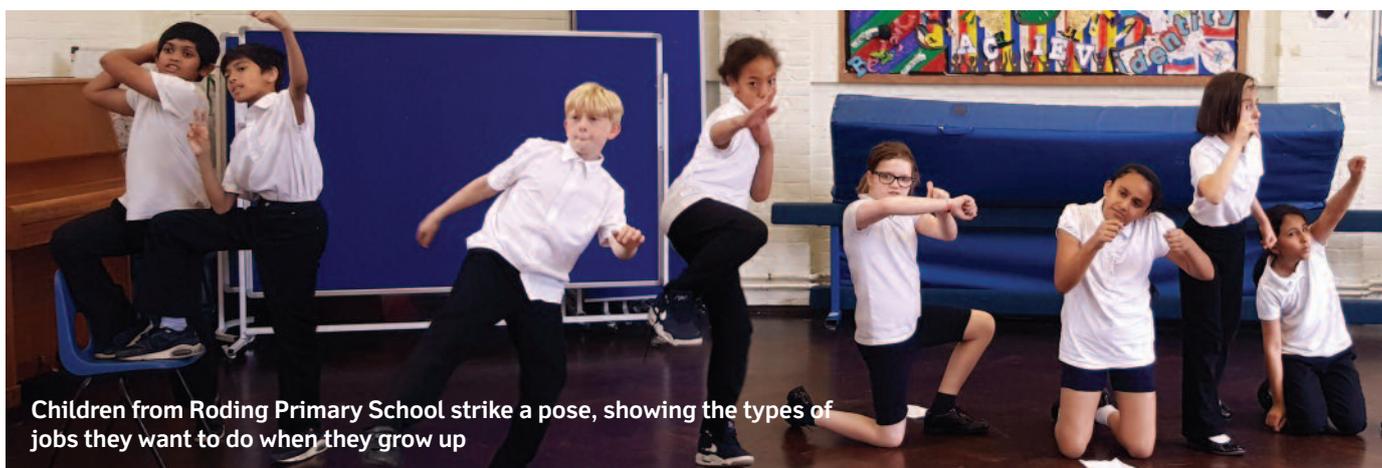


# Ovingdean Hall News



Winter 2016/Spring 2017

## 'So brilliant!'



Children from Roding Primary School strike a pose, showing the types of jobs they want to do when they grow up

# Mousetrap

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inspiring young people

### So said a pupil from Meridian Primary School describing a theatre making event organised by Mousetrap Theatre Projects and funded by friends of OHF.

Children from deaf units at four primary schools were taken to see productions of either *James and the Giant Peach* or *Gangsta Granny*. Inspired by what they had seen, the children then joined a professional playwright and drama facilitator for a series of writing workshops back at school. They returned to the West

End last July to watch their plays being performed by a company of professional deaf and hearing actors.

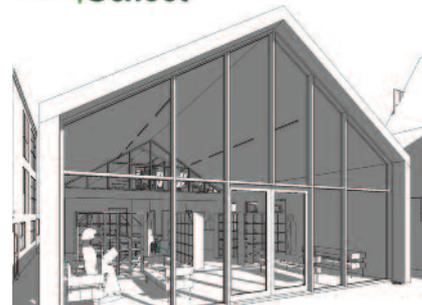
Describing the plays, which included a detective mystery and a story about the power of friendship, OHF Trustee Pauline Hughes said: '*It was inspiring. Money well spent!*'

### Space for families

In our last newsletter, we paid tribute to our late supporter Lawrence Baker. Mr Baker was an architect and so the Trustees have directed his legacy toward the building of a new Family Centre at Linden Lodge Charitable Trust, a school for children with sensory and physical disabilities.

OHF will be funding a room for the use of deaf and deaf blind children, many with multiple and complex needs, and their families.

 Linden Lodge School



An architect's drawing of the new Family Centre

# The great outdoors



We have contributed toward The Ear Foundation's summer holiday for deaf

children and young people aged 11-16, funding ten places for those who would otherwise have struggled to attend.

The break in the Derbyshire countryside brought 39 young people together for five days of stream scrambling, caving, canoeing and, on the last night, a talent show. Many of the participants have limited contact with their deaf peers so the holiday provided a much-needed opportunity to mix and make friends. *'The best holiday ever!'* concluded one child.

Canoeing on The Ear Foundation's activities holiday



A record 92 children took part in the opening event of the 2016/17 Panathlon programme.



## Record-breakers



Some of this year's Panathlon medal winners

The boccia competition is the first in a nationwide programme that will see schools from the Midlands, the North West, East England, London and Yorkshire involved again, while events are staged in the North East and Norfolk and Suffolk for the first time. The programme also includes football, tennis and multisports. This year, Panathalon aims to see 1,250 children take part, surpassing last year's total of 1,000.

*'The backing of OHF has been instrumental to the rapid growth of events and participation numbers,'* said Tony Waymouth of Panathlon.

Thank you to all our friends for helping us support these projects. If you would like to help at this time, you can donate online at [www.ovingdeanhall.org/support-us](http://www.ovingdeanhall.org/support-us) or please send your cheque or CAF voucher to our NEW address below:

**Thank you very much.**

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