

Ovingdean Hall News

Panathlon's progress

We are proud to continue supporting Panathlon, the charity which organises sports events for disabled children.



We sponsored their Deaf Boccia programme across England, which has seen championships in the South East, East of England, West Midlands, North West and Yorkshire. Around 250 children from 20 schools have taken part. Abbi Webster, PE teacher at St John's Deaf School in Boston Spa said: 'It's nice winning the Yorkshire competition and great to see more teams competing this year. We can't wait for the multi-

sports event. The children love Panathlon and we'd have gone back happy whatever the result.' 'Our children absolutely loved today,' added Anne Pereira from Highworth School, Buckinghamshire. 'It's great to see them interacting with deaf children from other schools.' Panathlon has more events planned over the coming months including multi-sports and ten-pin bowling.

Smart room



Hamilton's Lodge new IT room

 We have contributed toward a vibrant new Information Technology room at Hamilton Lodge School and College.

We have close links with Hamilton Lodge, a number of our students transferring there following our school closure in 2010. We have also secured a residential property for the use of Hamilton Lodge's Further Education students, enabling the school to offer more places to young people.



Children take part in Panathlon's boccia championship

In the pipeline



Our partnership with **Mousetrap Theatre Projects** is now in its second year. They are about to embark on a theatre-making project with primary school pupils in deaf units.



Children in a pre-show workshop, organised by Mousetrap and funded by OHF. Photo credit: Alex Rumford

Children on last summer's Ear Foundation residential



 This summer we will be contributing toward **The Ear Foundation's outdoor pursuits holiday for deaf children aged 11-16.**

The residential break in the Derbyshire countryside brings deaf children together for a week of walking, rock scrambling and canoeing. One of the children who went on last year's holiday said: *'I don't have to worry about being deaf or what others think, I can be me.'*

Thank you to Lawrence Baker

We would like to pay tribute to the late Lawrence Baker. Mr Baker was a long-term supporter of Ovingdean Hall School and Foundation, and when he passed away last year, we learned that he had remembered us in his Will. He was an architect, and had served in Burma during World War II. We are planning to direct Mr Baker's legacy toward a project fitting to his memory and interests.

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 or send your cheque or CAF voucher (payable to Ovingdean Hall Foundation) to the address below.

Thank you very much.

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