

Thought for the month:

The difference between ordinary and extraordinary is the little extra.
(Richard Hoover)

Purple Pinkie campaign:

Thanks to all the parents who donated to this very important child-centred project to rid childhood victims of the curse of polio. Many thanks to Laura, Caitlin and Catia for making the cup cakes available for sale. We raised £41.

Humour for lexophiles:

The biggest knight at King Arthur's round table was Sir Cumference.

Jokes from Men Women & Wedlock (1910):
A confession book of borrowings from various classics:

A young girl should make the most of her birthdays, for after she gets a little older she won't have any. (161)

There are lots of people who live according to their convictions.
But they are chiefly in jail. (233)

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Easter Newsletter 2010

Hope Springs Eternal: Emerging from what seemed an eternal winter and in to the very slow arrival of the Spring weather, we now hope that it will now continue so that we can all finally enjoy getting out and about. All the tutors at Kip McGrath wish our students and their families a very Happy Easter and hope that the holiday brings much enjoyment. How about an extra large Lindt chocolate rabbit to help you with that! Look out for the raffle tickets on sale in the Centre in aid of the Whales and Dolphins Conservation Society.

Closing dates:

The last date of tuition this term is Thursday 1st April and the Centre opens again on Monday 19th April. Summer School dates: Please note that the dates for the Summer School tuition will now be Week 1: Monday 16th to Thursday 19th August. Week 2: Monday 23rd to Thursday 26th August.

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Fees:

Just to clarify the situation regarding the fees over the holidays: For those children who will not be able to attend their lessons on Good Friday and Easter Saturday and whose parents pay their tuition fees on a termly basis, this will have been taken into account when their fee for this term was calculated. It seems that the banks are not able to temporarily stop Standing Orders and therefore parents will therefore be over pay due to the Easter holiday Centre closure. Please notify Denis if you wish to carry this over to the end of next term by stopping early or whether you wish to have the money refunded next term..

Spread the word / parent referrals:

Do you think Kip Chelmsford delivers on success? Need a little encouragement to spread the word? No business can survive without new customers and Kip McGrath Education Centre is no exception to this rule. With this in mind we are offering £25 M&S vouchers as a reward to any parent who recommends Kip McGrath tuition to another parent whose child subsequently enrolls for a minimum of half a term's tuition. We would much rather financially reward our parents than give our money to advertisers.

Fantastic 11+ results!:

All the Kip McGrath tutors join in the celebration for the successful efforts of our 11+ students. This year six candidates gained their places at King Edwards Grammar (Jameel Damree / James Glover), Chelmsford County High for Girls (Rebecca Kimberlin), Westcliff Grammar for Boys (Gregory Brighton / Oliver Morris) and Southend Grammar for Girls (Caroline Haddow). Prevailing financial conditions have now contributed to a higher level of competition for grammar school places as more parents seek alternatives to fee-paying secondary schools. For Kip students who come from state schools to succeed, they need to rise to this challenge against huge odds. We proudly wish them all the best with their future academic careers, knowing that they have achieved their first foot on the rung to an exceptional education opportunity.

It's the time to celebrate success!

We will be holding an award giving event to recognise all of our students' well deserved achievements. This will be held at the Kip McGrath Education Centre Chelmsford on Saturday 24th April. It is no secret that Kip has some very talented students - so we would like to give them a platform for this and an appreciative audience to boot! It would be nice to enjoy a song, a piece of music, poem or some jokes even! The programme for the day will therefore start in the afternoon so that those students who want to prepare themselves to provide some entertainment for the parents at in the evening can have the opportunity to prepare themselves. Also included in the preparation for the evening event there will be the chance for each student have a photo session as a professional photographer has been enlisted by us for this purpose. Each child can have 15 minutes with the photographer and parents can have the resulting photos on disk. At £26 per child this is a cost effective way of getting good quality photographs to be a lasting memory of your child at their most endearing time. They will be as they would appear in the show so it can be a good chance for some dressing up!

If you are interested in the award event keep 24th April free in your diary. When we start in the afternoon for the preparation and photo sessions depends on how many children want to do a piece in the evening, but the evening session will start at 6pm. Look out for the lists on the Centre Notice board where you can add your child's name!

Charity fundraising

£52.50p was raised for this charity through our Christmas Raffle and the Lucky Dip from the Moulsham Street Christmas Parade. A big 'thank you' to Hollie Burrow and her parents for running our Lucky Dip. Raffle results: 1st Prize Hamper Tracey / 2nd Prize: Bottle of Champagne : Phil Lyon / 3rd Prize: Pamper kit: Lindsey Stewart