



Music 2003/4



Lancing Orchestral Day

On 2nd of October a group of musicians from Vinehall School went on a trip to Lancing College for a Prep Schools orchestral course. It was a very good experience for everyone and helped improve everyone's playing.

Most of the day was spent rehearsing for the final concert which many parents attended. We played a variety of different pieces on all kinds of instruments. These pieces included *Star Wars* and *Bare Necessities*. The standard of music was high and Vinehall contributed well.

It was a very enjoyable outing with opportunities for swimming and many other fun activities. Thank-you for taking us. *Edward Bridge*

HOUSE COMPETITION WINNERS



Year 3 Winner



Lancing Piano Day

On 4th November some of the pianists went to Lancing for their Prep School's Piano Day. The day began with a pretend piano exam with a twist - the children were the examiners and the teachers were being examined! After this we split into groups: Mozart, Liszt, Bach and Chopin. We took turns doing four different activities. One of these was seeing the magnificent organ in Lancing Cathedral. We were told what all the stops and pedals did, and some people got to have a go at playing.

Another of the activities was composing in the crypt. We were shown a picture, and had to make up a suitable composition that we thought portrayed the image. We had a break and lunch and then returned to the activities.

The next activity was composing on Sibelius. Some of the children who went had never used Sibelius before, although many were used to it from music lessons at school.

The final activity was playing a chosen piece to your group. After this we went to the 'Grubba' which was the tuck shop, followed by a swim and a chance to try the famous Lancing quiz.

We finished the day with a mini concert with a few people chosen to play from all the groups. It also gave the parents a chance to hear some of our compositions in Sibelius and on paper. Felix Canetty-Clarke gave us his rendition of *The Night Watchman*. It was a very enjoyable day.



Year 5 Winner



Year 4 Winner



Year 6 Winner



Year 7 Winner



Year 8 Winner



Judith Harmer wins the Brittens Music Award

The winner of Brittens Music Award for service to music, Judith Harmer has been director of music at Vinehall School for 28 years. She has been consistently dynamic, enthusiastic and creative in her leadership of the department which has three full time teachers and 18 peripatetic staff.

Judith is also involved in charity work including taking the choir to St Michael's Hospice in Hastings. *Herald, Friday, April 30 2004*