

# Swimming



*Bronze in the IAPS U11 Butterfly*



*IAPS Finalists*

In the Michaelmas Term, the swimming squad took part in six galas. The boys were fourth in the St Andrew's Cup and we were clear winners of the Bodiam Manor gala. At Benenden, the seniors won and the under 12s came second. The girls were beaten by a narrow margin at Moira House and the boys were winners against St Bede's.

The highlight of the term was the St Andrew's Cup for girls in Eastbourne in December. The girls swam to victory in every section and returned with the St Andrew's Cup and four shields representing wins in every age group. Vinehall swimmers were convincing winners in February at Bodiam Manor.

In the Lent Term, we had wins against Bodiam Manor away and St Bede's boys at home. We competed in the IAPS regional round and 13 pupils qualified for the national finals. **-See page 2 for complete results**

### **I.A.P.S. National Finals Results:**

Maddalena Cottrell	U11 Butterfly	3rd place
Darius Khalesi	U13 Breaststroke	5th place
Hannah Manton	U13 Freestyle	9th place
Cecilia Gray	U13 Breaststroke	11th place

Hannah Manton	Cecilia Gray	
Heloise Buxton	Gemma Taylor	U13 medley relay 6th place

Juliet Birrell, Florence Flood	
Heloise Buxton, Hannah Manton	U13 freestyle relay 10th place

The squadron relay team of Clara Taylor, Perdita Knight, Maddalena Cottrell, Amy Lane, Ruby Russell, Charlotte McNally, Hannah Manton and Juliet Birrell won **silver medals** for 2nd place in a great swim, taking 1 seconds off their personal best time.

Year 8 girls have had an unbeaten year led by Hannah, who has been

The Inter-house gala was won by Saxton and the senior cup winners were:

<b>Boys</b>	<b>Stroke</b>	<b>Girls</b>
Darius Khalesi	Backstroke	Hannah Manton
Darius Khalesi	Breaststroke	Cecilia Gray
Darius Khalesi	Butterfly	Heloise Buxton
Darius Khalesi	Freestyle	Hannah Manton

As well as school swimming lessons, squad training and swimming galas, the school pool is also well used by the boarders for a full range of activities, including paddling kayaks, diving, playing water polo and enjoying scuba diving 'taster' sessions.



*Silver in the Squadron Relay*



*Year 2 Gala*





It has been a mixed year for the swimming squad, in September the boys after two disqualifications came forth in the St Andrews cup. The gala was so close that this was the difference between first and last place.

In October we had a good win over our local rivals Bodiam Manor. This was followed by a really close gala at Benenden where the senior girls came equal first and the u/12 girls came second.

November saw two close galas, the first a narrow lose for the girls at Moira House and a close win for the boys against St Bede's. This lead on to the one gala we had in December and the highlight of the year, the girls winning the St Andrews cup against St Andrews, St Bede's and Brighton College. We came away with all five trophies, all four age groups and the overall cup.

In the Lent term we had wins against Bodiam Manor away and St Bede's boys at home. Also in the Lent term thirty six Vinehall swimmers competed in the I.A.P.S. regional heats at Eastbourne College. Thirteen of these went through to the national finals which were held at the K2 Crawley. The highlights of these finals were the Girls Squadron team of eight swimmers winning silver and Maddalena Cottrell winning bronze in the u/11 butterfly. And in the boys Darius Khalesi come fifth in the u/13 breaststroke.

The u/13 girls were unbeaten the whole season and were led by Hannah Manton who had a great year as captain and swimmer.

The inter-house gala was won by Saxton and we had a very close inter-squad gala with only one point between the teams.

### Results

September 18 <sup>th</sup>	St Andrews Boys cup			
	St Bedes	90		
	St Andrews	88		
	Brighton College	79		
	Vinehall	75		
October 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Vinehall	171		
	Bodiam Manor	135		
October 14 <sup>th</sup>	Benenden u/13	58.5	Benenden u/12	69
	Vinehall u/13	58.5	Vinehall u/12	48
November 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Moira House	143		
	Vinehall	134		
November 20 <sup>th</sup>	Vinehall Boys	117		
	St Bedes Boys	109		
December 4 <sup>th</sup>	St Andrews Girls Cup			
	Vinehall	1 <sup>st</sup>		
	Brighton College	2 <sup>nd</sup>		
	St Andrews	3 <sup>rd</sup>		
	St Bedes	4 <sup>th</sup>		
February 26 <sup>th</sup>	Bodiam Manor	136		
	Vinehall	156		
March 12 <sup>th</sup>	St Bedes Girls	90		
	Vinehall Girls	98		
Inter-house swimming gala result:	1 <sup>st</sup>	Saxton	287	
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Rushton	246	
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Paxton	223	
	4 <sup>th</sup>	Ashton	182	
Girls Senior Cup winners:	Front crawl	Hannah Manton		
	Breaststroke	Cecilia Gray		
	Butterfly	Heloise Buxton & Hannah Manton		
	Backstroke	Hannah Manton		
Boys Senior Cup winners:	Front crawl	Darius Khalesi		
	Breaststroke	Darius Khalesi		
	Butterfly	Darius Khalesi		
	Backstroke	Darius Khalesi		