

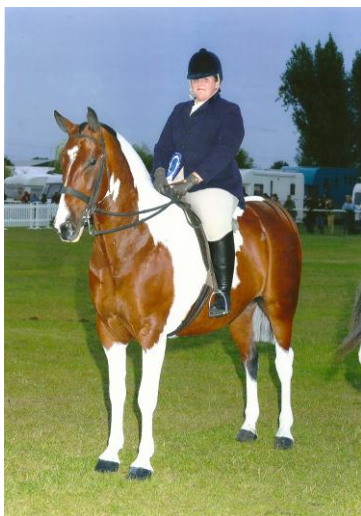
# HLC EQUESTRIAN NEWS

Whilst many of you are enjoying a long relaxing summer holiday, the equestrian season is in full swing and many of our pupils are busy competing with their horses and ponies in various equine disciplines.

Emily Robinson has enjoyed a very successful One Day Eventing programme with a 5<sup>th</sup> place at Beckwithshaw Horse Trials, 2<sup>nd</sup> place at Thornton Watlass Horse Trials and is preparing for trials and training with the England Pony Trials Squad in Cambridge at the end of August.

Olivia Robinson has also enjoyed a promising first season eventing with her new horse, finishing 5<sup>th</sup> at Bishop Burton and 2<sup>nd</sup> at Thornton Watlass.

In the world of Showing, Charlotte Dacre is proving hard to beat. She was 1<sup>st</sup> at Bakewell Show in the Small Hunter Class and 1<sup>st</sup> at Garstang in the



Lightweight Cobs. This latter victory made her the youngest ever qualifier for this class at the Horse of the Year Show. Charlotte also gained 2<sup>nd</sup> place at the Great Yorkshire Show and the Pony's UK Summer Championships.

Meanwhile, Head of PE, Nicky Butters, had a successful dressage season with her horse, Watson, culminating in a 3<sup>rd</sup> place at the Northern Regional Dressage Finals. However, we are absolutely delighted to hear from Nicky that she has been invited to compete at the Nationals in mid-September.

We are hoping that the HLC show jumping teams will enjoy similar success at the HLC Equestrian Team Challenge at the Great Yorkshire Showground on Sunday, 25 September. The girls have been busy training and preparing for the event and

we wish them every success.

With the increasing participation and popularity of equestrian activities, we have appointed an Equestrian Captain to join the other Sports Captains. Charlotte Atkinson is a very accomplished rider and has competed with great success throughout her time at HLC. She will take up the reins and lead the teams in the 2011/12 season.

