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Studham News

Studham Tennis Club held its first ever American Junior Tournament on Saturday 19th July 2008. Organised by Fiona Mitchell, the tournament was open to all Juniors aged 14 and under, to members and non-members and players of all abilities.

An American Tournament enables everyone to compete together. An ongoing handicapping system means that the more you win the harder it gets!

The eventual winners are shown here, celebrating their success> For more picture, [click here](#)



Studham Sound Bites



The children at Studham VC Lower School recently got an original taste of the Punjab.... it was in the form of a Drumming and Dance workshop held at the school as part of the "Sound Bites" programme: a short, intensive class performance project organized by Bedfordshire Music.

The aims of the project are to extend and enrich musical opportunities for pupils in lower and middle schools as part of a Government and Bedfordshire Council initiative.

Delene Rodway-Johnson, the school's Head Teacher, says that "music builds confidence and can lead to greater academic success". "This school is well known for its music and we are very keen to maintain our high standards".

The Punjabi Drumming and Dance workshop culminated in a school performance by year three and four students keen to show off their new skills. Studham's village green is a long way from the Punjab but these children really embraced another culture's music and drummed and danced their hearts out.

"Music and this drumming can be a bridge to greater cross-cultural awareness" said Anne Copeland, the school's music teacher. "We have to engineer opportunities for multi-cultural education because it's not on our doorstep".

March 2008 ushered in by High Winds



The last 24 hours of February 2008 brought high winds to South Bedfordshire, and their potentially destructive force was very evident at Studham Parish Church. During the preceding week, Roger Bender had toiled to erect a new shed for the Church, and a work party of additional volunteers had been organised to complete the construction by fitting the roof on Saturday