

# Winchester Tae Kwon-Do FOOTNOTES



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## MARCH 2007 GRADING RESULTS

Well done all those who took their grading especially those with A-passes.  
The grading award was presented by Master Dew to Thomas Hayne

NAME	GRADE	Result
Arnold Moreto	5th Kup	4th Kup A pass
Lynne Moreto	5th Kup	4th Kup A pass
George Smith	7th Kup	6th Kup A pass
Edward Rose	7th Kup	6th Kup + pass
Thomas Hayne	7th Kup	6th Kup A pass
Helena Robinson	9th Kup	8th Kup A pass
Jacob Gardiner	9th Kup	8th Kup A pass
Ellie Dickson	8th Kup	9th Kup + pass
Harriet Wild	10th Kup	9th Kup + pass
Daniel Godley	10th Kup	9th Kup A pass

## NEW STUDENTS

Welcome to new students: Matthew Connole, Harriet Wild, Michael Godley, Daniel Godley, Dylan Giles, Jack Wallace

## HOLIDAY TIMETABLE

**NEW STUDENTS AND PARENTS PLEASE NOTE:**

**ALL BANK HOLIDAY MONDAYS  
(INCLUDING EASTER MONDAY)  
BOTH CLASSES ARE COMBINED  
6PM-7.30PM**

**ALL OTHER DAYS - USUAL TRAINING TIMES**

## CONFUCIANISM AND SOME COMPLICATED THINGS MADE (A BIT) EASIER.

(with some help from Lemony Snickett.)

If you are a grown up or for some reason have not read any Lemony Snickett you will not know that he explains some complicated words in a bit of a funny way. He also tells some very sad stories which are nothing to do with TaeKwonDo so I am not even going to try to tell you about them here. (Mr Barrett wouldn't let me)

Two of the main belief systems in Korea are Confucianism and Buddhism and they are very very old (that to say they are a lot older than Mrs Pope. Lots older). Confucius was Chinese but his ideas were so profound (which means deep, but here means very clever and very hard for us to think about, not deep like a swimming pool) that they spread from China to other countries like Japan and Korea (you could look at a map to see how far that is, don't expect me to know the distance).

So, confucianism is a philosophy (a system of thinking) named after confucius. (if mr whitlock was a philosopher instead of a policeman we might have had whitlockianism but maybe it is just as well that he joined the force as this is quite hard to say).

Confucianism sets out rules for good living. (imagine a really big version of the rules we have in the dojang for keeping you safe – it is a bit like that). It is about how to be a good person and how to run a good society and have a good government. Just to make it even more complicated it also contains some stuff that explains how the world is and why human beings are the way they are (see, i told you it was clever). A central idea in Confucianism is 'Li'. This is really complicated (which here means it makes my brain hurt) because it does not translate as just one English word. It is about being polite, having respect for people (so no name calling), behaving correctly (so no nose picking either), being honest (not telling lies), and loyal (like not letting your friends down when they need you). The aim is to be an "exemplary person" (which here means think of the person who is the best at everything but also really nice and imagine someone even better and nicer).

People can show they understand Li by behaving properly towards other people (like looking after people who are your guests – I am sure you know how to do that). But is also about internalizing the good ideas (Mr Snickett might say that internalizing means 'having something on the inside', but please do not think this means you have to eat a philosopher – I am sure they do not taste good and anyway this would not be a nice thing to do). A simpler way of understanding this (which here means in the only way I can try to make this complicated idea easier to think about and stop my brain hurting) would be to say that this is a bit like how wearing a dobok on the outside does not make you good at TaeKwondo (you have practice and know your patterns and theory).

A motto from Confucius is "Do not do to others what you would not like them to do to you" (which is a version of another saying that you might know).

So far a lot of this philosophy stuff has been about an individual (that means one person, like you but maybe with cleaner feet because they have not been running in the Badger Farm dojang) being good. The really clever thing about Confucianism is that it is also about having a good society (which here means lots of people, some of them with dirty feet and some others with cleaner ones). Confucians think that a good king or leader (one with lots of that Li stuff we talked about earlier) can help make a whole society good. (I don't think they say anything about making feet cleaner but I am not an expert). Confucius thought that if everyone learnt to behave in all the good ways this would be better than having laws (because laws only really work if you punish people after they do wrong things, and as your Mum and Dad will tell you it is much much better if you don't do the bad thing in the first place. Isn't it?).

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(with some help from Lemony Snickett.

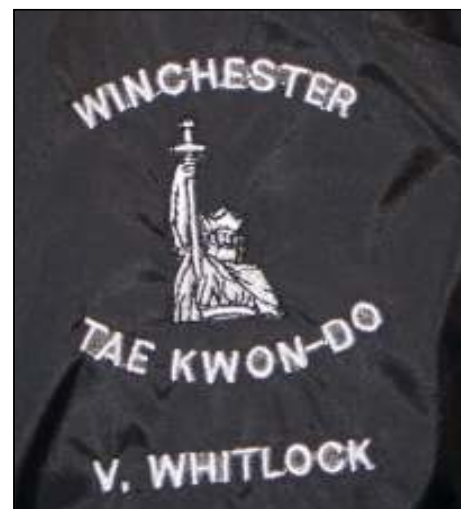
Now in the Lemony Snickett books he usually ends the story because something bad happens (and he wants to write another book). I am going to end this because otherwise I will get the sack (which here means lose my job because I should be doing something else). Also because I am pretty sure Mr Barrett has never read any Lemony Snickett and might not put this in footnotes if it is too long.

I should just add that I have tried to make this very hard subject interesting (which here means shamelessly borrowing from Mr Snickett's way of writing). I am pretty sure that most of what I have written is true but this is not really for your grading (especially the bit about the dirty feet) and if any of you happen to have a real live philosopher in your family they may know much more than me.

Cathy Pope

## WINCHESTER TAE KWON-DO JACKETS

- Embroidered with club logo
- Embroidered with your name
- 100% Nylon Outer
- 100% Polyester Mesh Inner
- 100% Nylon lining to sleeves
- Premier sports styling, concealed hood
- Showerproof/windproof
- Air vents at underarms
- Two front zip pockets
- Full zip front, fully lined
- Elasticated draw cord hem
- Elasticated cuffs

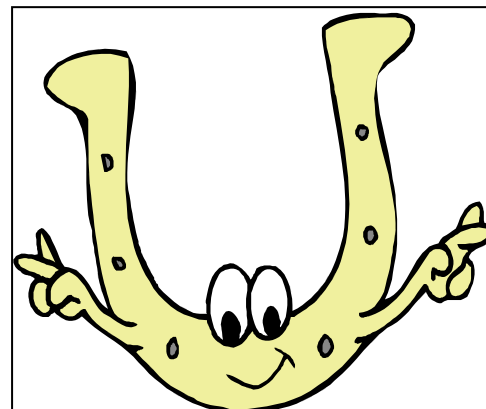


**MEMBERS ONLY**

## BEST WISHES

**SIMON REID  
ELLIOTT POPE**

**In your Black Belt Grading  
Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> April**



## TOURNAMENT SHIELD

Congratulations to Arnold on winning the shield last year. This year's table so far:

Ellie	GOLLEY	10	<p style="text-align: center; margin: 0;"><b>Rules</b></p> <p><b>SPECTATING AND PARTICIPATING:</b>            1 point for each tournament attended.            1 point for each event entered            1 point for officiating (in official dress)</p> <p><b>SPARRING:</b>            1 point for each bout won            1 extra point for a medal</p> <p><b>PATTERNS:</b>            1 point for reaching the finals            1 point for 3rd, 2 points 2nd, 3 points 1st</p> <p><b>DESTRUCTION:</b>            1 point for reaching next round (if applicable)            1 extra point for next rounds (if applicable)            3 points for 1st place.</p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> Only a maximum of 3 points may be awarded for this event.</p>
Arnold	MORETO	9	
David	SMITH	8	
David	FRANCIS	5	
Lauren	GOLLEY	5	
James	WALLIS	5	
William	CHRISTIE	4	
Katy	GOODYEAR	2	
Emma	PAYNE	2	

## CHARITY DEMO

Well done all those who took part.

With the money from the demo, the lost property fund, and a bit to make it a nice round number:

**£250**

Will be donated to McMillan Cancer Relief – details in next issue

Thanks to all parents, friends, and other spectators for your generosity.

Thanks to Kevin & Sheilagh for presenting the Chris Morris Student of the Year Award

Chris Barrett