

Hermes

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" A Bumper Issue '



Dear Parents

Last week's Friday evening curry night was a roaring success. Chef Miah senior family served up some fantastic dishes for us all, with a spicy curried lamb on the bone, my real favourite. It was an "eat all you can" night and I took that as an order!

Nearly £1000 was raised towards supporting the Children's Ward at DCH. Many thanks to all those who supported the event.

Reuben and Angela came to visit me at the beginning of the week. As you will see from the picture below, Reuben has his own means of getting around and continues to make great progress with his development. Despite facing more difficulties than one could imagine, he has defied every medical prognosis. His determination remains a great inspiration to us all.



I'd like to devote an early paragraph to Laura Guest at the start of this week's Hermes.

Laura arrived at the school in 2011 as a shy and retiring dot of a seventeen year old with the aim of completing an apprenticeship in the Nursery, achieving a Level 3 diploma in Childcare. Not satisfied with this, and with the bit between her teeth, she then went on to take an honours degree which she will complete in May of this year.

Laura is a very talented and hard-working young lady and I was delighted to hear recently that she had been accepted at Bath Spa University to complete a Primary PGCE with QTS. That's the great news. Not so good is that this will be her last few months with us.

Despite having tiny feet, she'll leave huge shoes to fill, such has been her impact in so many different areas of school life.

Lately she has formed a great team with Form 4 and their redoubtable teacher. Some may say she has even persuaded Mrs King to completely re-change her empire, though I wouldn't be so brave!

I know you will want to share our congratulations with Laura when you see her.

We'll be advertising for Laura's replacement later this term.

Moving on, I finally managed to bump into the latest candidate for "best worst injury". The photo below shows Mr Adams and me lining up for the contest with Lynn S, who I think trumps us both. To add to the competition, I also hear that long standing governor, John Chittenden has also entered the arena with a fracture to his upper arm, also done whilst skiing.



Earlier this week Mrs Fernley started training the next wave of international diplomats as they headed to Clayesmore for a Model United Nations Day. A report can be read later in this edition.

With fund raising events starting to move ahead in a bid to raise funds for our guide dog, we have also opened a Just Giving page which can be found at https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Gu ideDogsChallengeSPS. If you have family or friends who are looking to make a small donation to a very worthy cause please do encourage them to visit our page.

The staff Three Peaks Team is still training hard for their May challenge. Thirty miles on foot with 10000ft of ascent and descent, and twelve hours of driving all squeezed into 24 hours is a tough challenge that lies ahead of them. I'm still going with them though my role may be slightly different.



Time for a small moan, if you will allow!

Most parents seem to have accepted that it is sensible to keep the wooden gate by Compass Lobby locked so that we can tighten security in a quiet corner of school. I know it has caused a small problem at drop off and pick up and thank you for your support and understanding.

Recently we've had a few "inmates" jumping over the wall and more than a few parents have started to park on the double yellow lines, getting ever closer to the traffic lights. Do remember if this area is full that there is usually sufficient space by the junior rugby field if you're struggling.

Please don't get in trouble with the local constabulary!

Earlier this week Pupil Voice met up with their co-chair Mrs Thorpe. Pupil Voice is made up of representatives from each class who form a school council. They meet once each half term to put forward new ideas that they have collected from their class mates. Minutes of the meeting are circulated and we do our best to respond in an affirmative manner.

This week the senior girls have asked if they can have improvements made to their changing rooms and if a mirror can be installed. The senior boys asked why there are two sets of girl's toilets in the senior teaching block and none for them - they have to go all the way down two flights of stairs to the changing room. The smaller children asked if the seniors could remember to walk on the left side of the corridor so they don't get squashed when moving around school.

In assembly we were told, "Don't be deft, walk on the left" and "right is wrong and left is right!". They even made posters to go around school.

Form 4 have had an exciting and busy few weeks in school. Seldom has a day gone by when huge practical creations haven't been brought in by overly excited parents eager to get their work marked. We have even had a brilliant WW2 film made by the Henshaw and Carter-Knibbs family. We watched it in

assembly this week. It has also been uploaded on the internet. Go onto Yahoo and Google You Tube. Type in "Spitfire Film" and free entertainment awaits.

It brings back memories of the excellent Munro-Price creation last year.

Today F4 left for an evacuee day at Nothe Fort. Mrs King never misses a trick to dress up, especially if wellies can be worn. We all drew lots to see who was to accompany them. Mrs Wilson drew the short straw and took a bullet for the team!



Finally, Hermes has a slight shift in direction this week. I warmly welcome two new subeditors who have been eager to add their own comments to our weekly circular. I have always hoped Hermes would extend its horizon's beyond the school and be much more community based. Here we go!

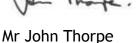
Marina Mendes-Reis is very keen to open a dialogue with us all about nutrition and the benefits to children of getting into good eating habits at an early age. I'm sure you'll read her professional advice with great interest. I think we will also try to run an evening workshop/forum where we can share thoughts and concerns on this topic.

Jo Vaughan is our green-fingered wiz who runs a gardening club each Thursday. She is going to update us all on her, "Notes from a small garden". Watching Jo and her partner in vine, Liz Stein, is great fun. I think they both have a bit more empathy and sympathy for the job of a teacher now, especially with the prospect of deep murky water being a real "swim" hazard. Their garden is looking

great. I must thank Michelle Green from Dorset Curiosity for her help in providing them with a host of vessels to act as planters.

I'd rather like the Belfast sink myself!

Wishing you a lovely weekend ahead.



Headmaster

Fledglings News

This week Fledglings have been learning about the story of Goldilocks and the Three Bears. We particularly enjoyed eating our porridge which was just right!



Getting messy with porridge



Mmmm now what shall I have?



Checking the porridge is made correctly

Nursery News

We have been so busy in Nursery this week.

Spring has begun! Children enjoyed painting daffodils and flowers using their own handprints.



Daffodil hand paintings

The children made their own fruit cups for snack and they went down very well. During this activity they were asked, how many spoons of fruit do they think they will put in their fruit cup?





All the children in Nursery and Reception enjoyed making snake puppets. They were decorated in great detail.



Just one of the many snake puppets

Form 4's News

With WWII being the current topic in Form 4, we have been very busy with our war efforts as you can see.



Molly showing off her many rationing suggestions



Demonstrating lots more beautiful work

We would also like to share some lovely poems written by a couple of F4 pupils.

The Blitz

Planes growling like grandad snoring, Distant bombing like lions roaring.

Scared and frightened by the fires sparking like dishes sizzling.

Planes crashing, lightning bursting, instant bombing never stopping.

Daddy's fighting, mummy's crying, I'm staring wondering where is daddy.

German planes here and there, bombing, bombing never stopping.

The blitz is bad, the war is bad, I wish it would go away.

My house standing there.

I'm wondering if it's there.

Blitzes, blitzes, I hate blitzes.

Go away, go away! My life's ruined because of the BLITZES!

By Holly

The Blitz

B Billowing smoke fills the sky, L Luftwaffe are swarming over the city, I Illuminating factories nearby and T Tearing down homes, Z Zoning in on destroying, with no sense of pity.

By Georgie

The Blitz

The air raid siren is disturbing,
The bombs are deafening.
They come in great numbers,
One after the other 'boom', 'boom'!
The planes overhead frighten me.
They just keep coming.
At least I'm in my shelter,
(Don't know how long for) with my family.
We are all together.

By William

Form 6 News

Our recent Form 6 History lessons have been taken over by our castles topic. It has culminated in fantastic castles а competition. The children had investigate a castle of their choice and study, amongst other things, its defences, how had developed over time, where and how it was built.

As you can see we have some amazing models of castles built from all sorts of materials, cardboard, Lego and cake to name a few!



Our castle competition winners were Lawrence for amazing art work and Lily R with her plasticine creation.

Form 7 Model United Nations Conferences

Bryanston 28th February: Erin, Izzy, Dominic, Tom and Dylan and Sebastian

Clayesmore 7th March: Izzy, Dominic, Khalid, Joseph, Douglas and Lucas

Over the last few weeks, two keen Form 7 teams have been preparing for Model United Nations conferences. For each conference, the teams had to study and adopt the political views of the country they were assigned: first at Bryanston, they were asked to take the role of Venezuela, and then at Clayesmore, they were asked to be Russia.

As delegates of these countries, the students had to research and prepare resolutions on matters such as climate change and alternative energy sources; the conflict in Syria; how best to respond to the threat to world peace posed by North Korea; the rise of xenophobia and human trafficking.

These events were tremendously challenging: to take part effectively, the delegates had to muster the courage needed to speak spontaneously and think on their feet. They had to form alliances, think critically and speak persuasively. Both teams were a credit to the school and learned a great deal in the process.

Form 8 Flying Start Challenge

Flying Start Challenge

On 22nd February, Form 8 carefully loaded up the buses with their gliders and presentations to compete in the Regional Final at Leonardo Helicopters, Yeovilton.

For the past 6 weeks, engineers from Leonardo Helicopters have been working with pupils to teach them the principles of flight. Groups of 4 pupils were challenged to design and construct a simple glider based on reusable materials, capable of carrying a small payload. At the Regional Final, each team completed a number of engineering

challenges, an interview with Navy Flight engineers and a fly off!

Teachers favourite moment (Mrs Brunt & Mrs Sewed), was when Olivia accidentally burst a balloon during a challenge. The explosion was so loud, security came running!



Constructing a rocket balloon

We are pleased to say that seven of the top ten teams who made it through from the Regional Final were from Sunninghill. After three years of competing this is our most successful year to date.



Taking part in a team building engineering test

One team (MLP) is through to the Grand Final on the 22nd March at Fleet Air Arm Museum. They will take part in a poster presentation, two engineering activities as well as the fly off which will close the day. The winners of the fly off will receive the prize of a flight in a glider. The four other teams invited to attend the day will compete in the engineering activities where there are still prizes to be won.



Taking part in a model glider competition

The Grand Final offers opportunities for the young people to receive an address from a prominent engineer, participate in engineering challenges, trivia trails around the museum, explore a glider and helicopter (weather and flight operations permitting) and for those teams that did best at their regional finals, the opportunity to fly their gliders under a Concorde prototype.



The Flying start line-up

All photos courtesy of Dan Rosenbaum, RNAS Yeovilton.

Easter Holiday Club



We are taking bookings for the Easter Holiday Club and running for almost 2 weeks from Tuesday 4th April until Thursday 13th April. Please go to the school website for all the information on activities, booking form, dates and prices.

http://sunninghillprep.co.uk/information/holiday-club/

Music news

Music timetables are on the website in the parent information area.

Kate Hawes will be teaching Strings on Wednesday, Steve Curlett will be teaching Brass on Tuesday.

Thank you Mrs Nolan-Stone

In other news.....

Waterstones Prize Winning Entries

Mrs Fernley reports that The Rotary Club were very kind and complimentary to our children who won at Waterstones last week.

Three schools entered and only Sunninghill pupils won prizes. The two winners have been forwarded to the next round.

She would like to share a couple of their excellent entries.

Reflection

My name is Heulwen; this is my story.

Our life is hard. There isn't enough food for the likes of us-the other villages hunt more than their share, and we are left with the small, diseased creatures that couldn't sustain an infant let alone a village that needs to defend itself.

I don't know what we are doing wrong. We all work hard and respect the gods yet we still struggle. The village past the lagoon are stronger, wealthier and fiercer than us. I have heard they have many treasures: bracelets, necklaces, brooches and that druids roundhouse homes a beautiful mirror in which great power lies; maybe this is the secret to their power.

There is the answer. I must get that mirror for my village, all the suffering will stop, we will be powerful and feared and I will honoured as the one who saved us all from perishing like the diseased animals we are forced to eat.

I can leave at nightfall and take the log boat. The lagoon is only fifty fathoms and once I reach their shoreline the camp is only a short distance. I will circle the camp and enter over the back enforcements, if like our village only the front is guarded, I can slip into the village undetected. With any luck the barley beer will have been running free and the camp will be sleeping more than soundly.

Launching the log boat is far harder than I expected, father and the other men have always made it look so easy but right now, it's as heavy as all the rocks on this beach. In the water though, the boat is making light work with only me to carry and the water glowing in the moon's reflection makes my journey feel full of promise and the shoreline is drawing near.

Beaching the vessel is easy and I quickly slip into the shadows and start to make my way to the back of the settlement. As I hoped there are no guards and scaling the wall proves easier than I expected-perhaps their defences aren't so good after all. Spurred on by this realisation I soon navigate the huts and find the druid's house, a waft of smoke

spirals in tendrils from the chimney and all is silent.

Tentatively pushing the door, the hinges let out a groan and I freeze for a moment-the sound amplified to that of thunder in the quiet of the night- but once again, the gods must be on my side as no soul stirs.

Glancing around, I am dazzled by the wealth of treasures. It is hard to stay focused but the mirror is what I seek and what I am so certain will save us. It is easier to spot than I imagined but its beauty is more than I could ever have dreamt of. I never knew something could shine and shimmer with such lustre; it must truly be a powerful and magical entity. A noise outside startles me back into action and I slip the mirror into the folds of my cloak and retrace my steps back to the shore and the boat.

I cannot believe I have made it. My heart is beating out of my chest and despite the nights chill I am sweating and panting with exhilaration. The sun will soon rise and will bring with it our new beginning as a triumphant and powerful village but first I must take this chance to look closely at the mirror so as to always remember its beauty and that it was once, just mine.

The back is engraved with stunning detail, and as I turn it over in my trembling hands I am temporarily blinded by the light bouncing back at me in reflection. It is like a solid pool of crystal water. As my eyes adjust the reflection makes my blood run cold...

They are coming. I can see it all. It is like looking through a window into their settlement. It is the future and yet I can see it before me in the mirror. This beautiful thing still clutched in my hand is showing me terrible things. They are coming for me, they are coming for us all. Instead of great fortune I have sealed our fate-the reflection of our deaths piercing through my tears as they burn my face and track my shame.

N.A.B A finely decorated iron age mirror was discovered in Langton herring, Dorset in 2010. It was found by a metal detectorist buried with a girl. This story is entirely fictional but was inspired by the discovery.

Reflection

Who do you see, when you look at me? Is it the child I was when I was Three? Is it that scared and vulnerable boy, Who wanted to run away and to cry, Is it the loud, brash and confident brat, Always coiled and ready to attack.

What do you see when you look at me?
Do you see my fears and insecurities?
The ones I hide deep inside and protect at all cost?

The ones that crave attention so assuredly Holding back tears and fears of being lost.

Who do you see when you look at me?

Do you see who one day I could turn out to be?

The hero, the confidant, the trustworthy friend

Or do you see a child with childish ambitions,

Unrealistic, outrageous, unachievable, absurd,

No good reason for it, no evidence has been heard.

What do you see, when you look at me? Is it the adult whom one day I could be? Is it the man who achieves his every goal? Confident, successful the contented soul With riches of friendship, a family that's blessed?

Who or what do you see when you look at me?

Do you first see my eyes, my teeth or my hair?

Do you see my height, my weight, my artistic flair?

Or Is it my anger, my laughter, or fear?

What do you see when you see me here? You will be my best friend, my enemy, my drive,

You will be my guilt, my accuser, my guide, Through waking hours, at the end of the day You will be my judge, my jury, my twelve men so true,

You will reflect my honesty, or treachery in fact the plain truth.

Who do you see in every reflection, Be it in mirror, window or lake, make no mistake together face to face, we will always see it together, I can see you and you will see me, Whomever I turn out to be.

By Khalid Form 7

Book Fayre

The book fayre will be arriving on Wednesday next week and will run until the following Monday 20th March. It will be open every morning break in Compass Lobby.

Catalogues will be coming home on Monday.

World Book Day vouchers can be accepted, so don't forget to bring them along!

Red Nose Day



It's Red Nose Day on Friday 24th March. We would love everyone to please wear red and bring in a donation for this charity.

Nutrition Natter

Hello!

For those who don't know me, my name is Marina and I am the mother of 6 year old Carolina, who is in Form 2.

Professionally, I am a Community Pharmacist and at the moment, I am finishing a Nutritional Therapist course and embarking on a new adventure - a Functional Medicine Practitioner Course.

Like all the parents, when you have a child for the first time you enrol into the most challenging and rewarding role of your life! You can feel you are in a roller coaster ride! You get into a long learning journey of nurturing, insecurity and a range emotions happiness, joy, pride, upset, angry and sometimes unappreciated. We are so often, afraid off not knowing how to make our children happy! We just want to give them a good education, teach them important human values and how to build up relationships and emotional behaviour..... but on the bottom of a long and more important education list, imposed be the nowadays education Institutions, comes teaching and helping them to make the most of healthier choices, with regards to eating and exercise.

I fully share your concerns!!!! In a world that bombards us with so much information and so many new "feel good" and sweet foods, so often, I find myself not really knowing how to advise/persuade my child not to choose a chocolate cake, a bag of Haribo or some chips but to go for a more healthier choice like a piece of fruit or a raw carrot. What do you tell them when all her friends are having the chocolate cake or the bag of Haribo?

How do you do it? In the middle of all your daily responsibilities and thoughts how do you find the time to think about and to explain? Is not perhaps easier to let them have the chocolate cake.....? Also, so often we reward them with sweets? Why? Why don't we have a different approach and reward them with a piece of fruit, a vegetable.....No, we usually go for the Sugar option because we perhaps think they are going to be happier. But what "sugar" is too much? Where should we throw the finishing line?

In a society which is always bombarding us with this sugar based foods offers, how can we resist? How can our children resist and fight back?that is a question it's always in my mind! And I am sure in yours!

Well, in my opinion the only way is to equip our children with the knowledge and tools they need to make their own choices and manage to overcome all the food marketing barriers with a Big Smile! I strongly believe we, as parents and as a nation, need to focus on the young generation to change their habits and hopefully reduce the prevalence of Obesity, Heart Attack, Stroke and Cancer. And the only way I see this happening is, to give our children the knowledge and tools to embrace new healthier choices, like reduce sugar intake, increase vegetables and fruit, sleep better.....so they can carry this lifestyle towards adult life and beyond.

I have asked Mr Thorpe if I could organize with the school some workshops and start sharing on a weekly basis, via the Friday Hermes, some ideas regarding diet and how to improve our children health. I think we could make this fun in a way our children will easily get motivated and start interacting - we could do some weekly quizzes, challenges, etc. Also, in the long term I would like the school to start offering some Nutrition and Cooking classes to our children.

Together let's fight for our children's promising future!!! It's not just about Maths and English. Of course that is important! But how to give the right fuel to your body and mind is equally if not more important!

Thank you for your time and please let's share our concerns and start with a Campaign to make our children Happier from within!!

Regards Marina

"Notes from a small garden"

Thanks to Mr Thorpe for the catchy title...

This week was a busy one in our little patch of garden, we had a very enthusiastic collection of mini gardeners, carrot seeds were liberally sprinkled, rosemary, thyme, sage and mint were planted around our raised beds, and pea sticks were generously distributed amongst the peas that were sown two weeks ago.

It was amazing to see the garlic sprouting forth tiny beautiful green leaves already! We are all avidly watching for signs of growth from our onion sets now.



Sprouting garlic

A wonderful structure was created from willow to support the sweet peas when they appear. Next week I am hoping the sculpture team may up the anti and produce a willow beast of some kind.



Our willow tree sweet pea structure

We even found time for some leaf litter collection to start off our compost, although we may end up with sweet peas growing from the compost bin, as a very enthusiastic gardener today decided the 'pots of earth' should be added to the compost pile, only to discover the pots in question were the ones planted up with seeds last week.. oops!

We had some very generous donations from the Poundbury garden centre this week, they donated all our herb plants and some great seeds, and they have promised more things as we go along, for which we are extremely grateful. For those of you who are not familiar with the centre it's next door to the new Queen Mother statue, opposite the mini Waitrose store, and is a treasure trove of all things green and growing.



Some of our fabulous donations

On the subject of donations, a huge thank you must go to Michelle at The Curiosity Centre on the Grove Trading Estate, another treasure trove of delights, who generously supplied us with lots of ceramic pots, a Belfast sink and even a couple of stone friends that are hiding in the undergrowth!



Spring has definitely sprung!

Thanks to Mrs Hill for her pond duty this week, as the murky depths proved quite enticing in the spring sunshine, let's hope we can soon fill it in and build a lovely poly tunnel instead! (Or maybe a herd of running roe dear, please willow sculptors?)

Let's hope the sun continues to shine next week!

Sports News

U10 Netball v Sherborne Result: 11 - 7 Win

The U10's played a very exciting match against Sherborne Prep on Wednesday at Redlands.

Our girls were a bit muddled in the first quarter, taking five minutes or so to focus on the game and work out which way we were shooting, which let Sherborne get ahead. We pulled back in the second quarter with excellent marking from the defence and some lovely centre passes between Gemma, Nikita and Esme. Erin and Jessie worked hard in defence with some brilliant intercepting and good back line passes.

At half time we were 5-3 down so made a few changes to the team which seemed to boost energy levels and create a stronger attacking side. Nikita and Esme shot some super goals, with lovely passes out of the D to re-position themselves just as we'd practised. We were 6-6 after the third quarter so it was all to play for.

Sherborne tried hard to pull ahead in the final quarter but our defence was too good and with quick, accurate passing between Eleni, Gemma, Nikita and Esme, we finished the game with an 11-7 lead. Well done to everyone, a super game!

The Contribution award goes to Erin for fantastic marking and intercepting.

U11 Leweston Netball Tournament Results:

V Knighton H 3- 2 Loss V Bradford Abbas 7 -0 Win V leweston 0-1 Loss V Sandroyd 1 -3 Loss V Wells CS 1 - 4 Loss V Sherborne 0 - 5 Loss V Hanford 0 -12 Loss

Final Position: 6th

This was the first tournament the girls had played and it was a tough one. The weather wasn't good with rain most of the time. 7 matches of 10mins one way was a challenge to work hard and keep our discipline on court. We started well with 2 wins and a 1 - 0 defeat which really we should have won.

Our centre passes worked well and our passing down the court was good at times but we didn't use the space effectively and at times we were muddling each other. I could not fault the enthusiasm but if we had played at our best we should have been looking at 5th/4th final placing.

Tallulah made some excellent interceptions as GK and Olivia worked hard as GD. They both need to throw the ball harder to our centre court players. Lily B and Lily R were everywhere on court and kept everyone going. Many congratulations to Lily B as she was awarded our player of the tournament.

Poppy, Amalia and Frida were our shooters and all started well but they all needed much more movement to get that ball in the circle. A tough afternoon but lots of game play and experience.

Contribution award: Lily B for her award as our player of the tournament.

U12 Netball v Sherborne Result: 10 - 15 Loss

A wet and windy day not ideal for netball, but both teams endeavoured to produce a fast and end-to-end game. Unfortunately Sunninghill were slow to get going and ultimately then trailed Sherborne throughout the game.

The marking in defence greatly improved from the second quarter and this enabled Sunninghill to start scoring some balls. In view of the conditions, goal shooting was excellent with some longer range goals from both Hannah and Erin. The midfield was very competitive and we do need to be a little more positive in our movement and getting hold of the ball here.

I was pleased with the effort of the whole team and their continued improvement.

Contribution award goes to Erin for excellent all round play

U13 Netball v Sherborne Result: 10 - 31 Loss

Playing in far from ideal conditions, with only a bare minimum of 7 players (due to absences) and without a pitch side coach the girls performed admirably.

I managed to watch the last few minutes of their match and I was impressed. All had their heads up, playing with great skill and enthusiasm.

Speaking to the Sherborne coach, we were very slow starting but after the first quarter the team played their hearts out and matched their opponents in a very exciting game. Watching those last few minutes, I was amazed to learn the score line!

Contribution award goes to the whole team for their excellent efforts and resilience.

U13 Clayesmore Rugby 7's Tournament Result: 8th out of 11 teams

A very wet and muddy day greeted Sunninghill's Form 8 rugby 7's squad at Clayesmore School.

The team eventually came away 8th out of 11 schools.

Each of the pool games were close affairs, but the odd missed tackle and wayward pass/kick saw our opposition benefit. In the plate semi-final we met a strong Sherborne school who after a close first half, ran away with it winning 25 - 5.

Scores throughout the day from Brook, Cal, Kieran, Jordi and James helped the boys come away with no injuries, very dirty kit and their heads held high.

Contribution Brook, Jordi and Cal for continued effort and good skills in difficult conditions

U11/10A Hockey v St Mary's Swanage Result: 4 - 1 Win

The boys were excited to face a new school. They needed to bring their A game today which they certainly did. Tactically the boys performed very well by pressing high and using the width of the pitch. Excellent through balls and short passes helped create beautiful goals from Stanley and Robert. The team played with a lot of energy and were well organised in defence.

It was delightful to see the forwards help defend when needed, and the defenders help attack when the team controlled play.

Contribution award goes to Stanley for his incredible energy and team work.

U11/10B Hockey v St Mary's Swanage Result: 0 - 0 Draw

What an exciting fixture! The game was tight from the start with Swanage trying to get an early goal. Kian, William and Daniel defended well clearing any danger. Archie, Ben and Gabriel displayed some excellent hockey skills in opponent's defensive area and were unfortunate not to score. Swanage tried to push for the goal near the end of the match but Harry made sure nothing would go past him during this fixture with an incredible save on the goal line.

It was extremely pleasing to see all the players work so hard for the team.

Contribution award goes to Kian for his calm and solid defending.

Lost and Found

Amelia G has lost her named raincoat and her water bottle. Please look out for them.

Please remember to name all clothes and equipment so they can be returned to the correct child. If you are missing any named clothes please check in the lost property box, now situated outside the boys changing room and girls' toilets.

Please check that your child only brings home their uniform each week, and please return any items not belonging to your child. Thank you.

Multi-coloured Swap Shop

Don't forget the swap shop in Compass Lobby - swap and return your books, wellies and trainers.

This is working very well - thank you to everyone who is swapping!

Second Hand Uniform Shop

Our second hand uniform shop is based in our medical room at the front of the school. Please contact me if you would like to buy any uniform.

If you would like to sell or donate any **good quality uniform**, please ensure everything is washed/dry cleaned before leaving it with me. Please remember to remove your child's name labels.

We sell second hand uniform with proceeds going to our PTFA. If you would like to receive 50% of the sale of your items please clearly label and price each item. Please pin or use luggage labels (sticky labels tend to fall off and get lost!). If you would like to donate the clothes, no labelling is required.

We only sell clothes with the school logo on, so if you have any trousers, shirts or blouses you no longer require and please take them to your local charity shop.

Dates for your Diaries - Mar 2017

All sports fixtures are on the school website

Weds 15th Book Fayre commences until 20th

Thurs 16th Forms 5 -8 Skiing Club

Fri 17th Form 3 Assembly

Parent and Toddler

Form 5 & 6 West Dorset County Swim Gala

Form 2 Skiing

Form 6 Maiden Castle Care Home Form 8 Flying Start / Lion's Lair

Form 8 responsibilities Spring Term:

Head Boy: Harry Young
Head Girl: Meredith Perry

Sports: Teisha Barrey &

Kieran Williams

Outdoor Ed: Bonnie Davenport &

James Cook

English: Brook Michael-Beale
Maths: Elliot Raybould &

Teisha Barrey

Science: Jamie Barrington Humanities: Peter Message

Art: Rachel Williams-Schoeller

& Hannah Stanhope

IT: Brook Michael-Beale,

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Blake & Xan Airy

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