

Hermes

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“A Technicolour Week!”



Dear Parents

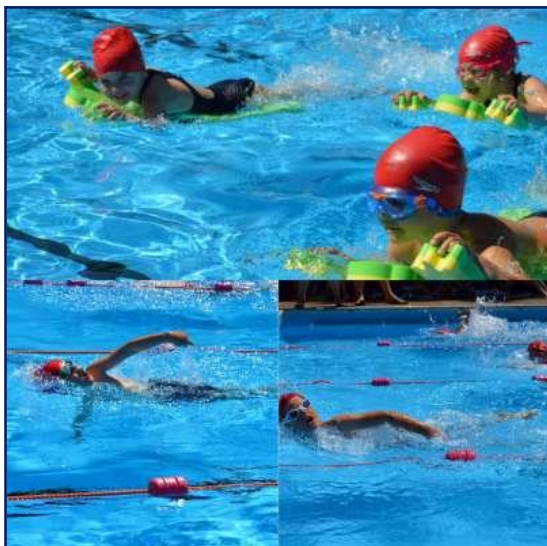
Welcome to a Broadway Hermes.

As you will know, we are right in the middle of Joseph performances and this morning is our only opportunity to keep our “463 not out” innings going.

Today’s Hermes might be somewhat briefer than normal weeks, when I usually have the chance to reflect at leisure late on a Thursday evening.

I can hear some of your saying, “pew”!

On top of rehearsing for Joseph we’ve had some brilliant house swimming galas this week.



The Junior Prep gala saw our youngest children demonstrating great sportsmanship and some excellent skills. Their parents were very impressed and even volunteered to compete in a staff vs parent race. Maybe next year?



The senior gala was hotly contested with some brilliant races taking place. The result hung in the balance until the final relay, with Maumbury ending up eventual victors. DQ’s featured rather too prominently and Mrs Wilson and Mr Adams tell me these may have played a significant factor in deciding the winning team!

Yesterday saw our final Class Reps meeting of the year. I thanked the Reps on behalf of all the parents for the time they freely give up to represent the views of each class. My understanding is that each of the Class Reps are happy to move up an age group, with the Form 8 rep free from their sentence. Topics of conversation were far reaching though packed lunches and meals at lunchtime occupied a significant proportion of the discussion.

And so to last night’s show!

Such are the demands of putting on a performance which includes the whole school, that we set ourselves the challenge of amazing you once every two years. Whilst the Lion King took several months to bring to fruition, this time we set ourselves the challenge of putting on a show in just two weeks.

An incredibly appreciative audience were dazzled by the array of talent on offer and the first night went as well as we could have hoped for and more. Even the oven-like conditions couldn't dampen the enthusiasm of the cast and staff.

I wish Mrs Moss and the cast a brilliant final two performances later today. There are still a few tickets left for the matinee at 2.30pm if you would like to join us.

We also managed to squeeze in the Form 7 hustings this morning. This is the annual opportunity for current Form 7s to put themselves forward for leadership and prefect roles next year. Their performances were excellent which is staggering considering many had key roles in Joseph too. We will notify children of their roles early next week.

Later today you will also receive a copy of our recent ISI Compliance Inspection. It will also be available on the school website.

Finally, please do make sure you closely follow the diary for next week as there is so much going on:

The first event is an invitation to join us (for the very first time) to our end of term assembly at 9am on Monday morning, where we hand out endeavour awards and sporting and musical colours. There will also be performances from the junior choir, wind band and the staff choir too. A breakfast will follow at 9.50am.

Tuesday is a full day of sports events for all three stages. Do remember your trainers for the parent's race!

Wednesday afternoon is mixed house sporting events in the afternoon, for the Form 5's and above. Supporters are welcome.

Reports will also be available on the Parent Portal on Wednesday. You will be notified by Clarion when they are ready. Amidst everything else that is going on I must truly thank the staff for burning the midnight oil to get these ready for you before we break up. Don't forget, we send them out to you early just in case you wish to talk to us about any issues of concern.

Thursday is "come up for air" day where we all "gird our loins" before the emotional roller coaster of the last day!

Finally, the last day of the term.

Can I politely remind all parents that the Leavers Service is at 9.30am at St. Peter's Church and Prize Giving is at 11am back at school. Both events are compulsory for all children from Reception upwards and apologies should be received by email for all those unable to make it. Mr Charles Jardine will be the Guest Speaker this year. Charles is a distinguished artist and CEO of a charity called Fishing for Schools. Those of you who attended the most excellent KDUK ball will remember Charles as the auctioneer.

Have a brilliant show later today!



Mr John Thorpe
Headmaster

Fledglings

Fledglings are gripped by World Cup fever! Two budding super stars in the making already demonstrating excellent coordination and ball skills, it's a goal!



Nursery

As it was a lovely sunny day we decided to make a trip to Salisbury Fields to enjoy some of the play equipment as well as having a little walk to observe the environment around us! Once we were in the play area, the girls ran to the equipment but showed good behaviour by taking turns and awareness for their own safety - we all had a lovely time!



During Creative Arts week, we have enjoyed some 'splatter painting' using spray bottles. Our big pictures looked really effective!



Fledglings & Nursery

Fledglings and Nursery were very proud to receive our fundraising certificate from Save the Children.



Well done to all who took part in our Muddy Puddles Walk. A big thank you to our generous sponsors, the parents, family and their friends.



On Wednesday Fledglings and Nursery again joined forces and hosted a teddy bears' picnic. Current children and their parents and families joining us in September enjoyed a lovely time in the sunshine.



In other news.....

Lion's Lair and the Summer Fayre

All of the teams were at the Summer Fayre on Saturday selling their business ideas including a few from the winning team, Simple as Science!



Winning Formulae

Lucy (Form 3) took Rosie, her puppy, along to the Summer Fayre with her 1st Prize Rosette from the Summer Fayre. Rosie won 'the dog the judge would most like to take home' category which was lovely as she followed in her mum Ivy's footsteps as she won it last year!

Rosie continued her success by getting a 4th Prize in the puppy category at the Kingston Maurward Open Day!

Congratulations to Lucy and Rosie!



PTFA Notes from the Chair



A big thank you to everyone who supported and helped make our **PTFA Summer Fayre** a successful event last Saturday. PTFA Committee members, Class Reps, parents & family members and Sunninghill staff all came together and put on a great show. I've received many glowing comments, summed up as 'the best ever!'. Well done everyone! I was sorry to miss this one due to a prior booking in my diary. Particular mention requests have reached me in thanks for exceptional efforts made - to David

Frake and family who organised, set up, purchased stock and ran the bar all day, keeping everyone refreshed. And to the BBQ team who cooked all day long and stayed on to do all the clear up too. As ever, our fayre maestro Julie Hansen stepped gallantly into the breach and oversaw the whole affair, keeping Mr T on track too, no mean feat, thank you very much Julie.



The Grand Raffle was a big success and it wouldn't have been possible without the generous donations from supporting businesses, thank you all:

Liz Sedwards of No.8 Beauty
Belle Modelle of Brewery Square
Partners in Design
Ben Edmonds of Ben Edmonds Therapy Yard
First Class Fitness
Poundbury Wealth Management
C G Fry
Symonds and Sampson
Bride Valley Vineyard
Feast on the Farm (Pop up dining)

Members of the Sunninghill staff who regularly go above and beyond in support of PTFA events and activities all worked their magic - Eileen, Mandy, Lydia, Les and Ray, Kerry and their teams. Thank you all very much.

Final Summer Fayre monies are being tallied and I will let you all know our fundraising achievements as soon as I can.

And the calendar rolls forward to **Joseph** this week. Thank you to the PTFA volunteers who gave time to help serve refreshments, Steve & Heather Ray, Carol & Tom Krosnar, Kate Hopps, Denise Bevan, Deirdre Hume, David Frake and Sue, Sophia Radford Wilson, Jonathan Strover and others who lent a hand on the fly.

The final plug of this academic year for support please - we are running a PTFA tent serving refreshments throughout Sports Day on Tuesday 3 July. Thanks to those who have already volunteered....and can I ask for some more helping hands please, slots as follows:

Sports Day 3 July

9.00am	Nursery Sports Day
11.00am	Junior Prep Sports Day
2.00pm	Senior Sports Day

Hospitality throughout all events

Please drop me a line if you can give some time ☺

Calling all **Amazon Smile** shoppers....old, new and curious. Sunninghill Prep PTFA are now registered - which means as you shop, you can select PTFA as your charity the first time you go to Amazon Smile or use this link

<https://smile.amazon.co.uk/ch/296074-0>

From then on, just using smile.amazon.co.uk as you shop will always support the PTFA. And it's totally discreet - PTFA receives 0.5% of all purchases, transferred to the PTFA bank account on a quarterly basis without visibility of shopping activity. Please take a minute to register, thank you very much.

The final week of the year has reached us - let's enjoy all it has to in store!

Lynn Strover
PTFA Chair

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ALUMNI Update

Guy Madgwick



I think fondly of my time at Sunninghill with Miss Norton and Miss Murray (though I was certainly not a favourite of the latter!). I went on to Hardyes School in 1971, graduated with a Geology degree from Oxford Brookes in 1982, Worked as a petroleum geologist in the North Sea and Middle East for Amoco before joining the power industry in 1990 after gaining an MSc from Loughborough University. I undertook an MBA at Warwick and have worked in Renewable Energy for the last 15 years very successfully having been the Managing Director of 3 companies.

Jane Madgwick BSc MSc
(BSc Ecology 2:1 at York University, MSc Conservation at University College London)



Since 2004, Jane has been CEO of Wetlands International, leading a network of 20 offices operating in over 100 countries. The main focus of the organisation is in the developing world -on rivers and lakes, peatlands, deltas and coasts. Wetlands International builds knowledge and facilitates action to safeguard and restore wetlands for biodiversity conservation, water security, disaster risk reduction, climate resilience and livelihoods. By working with governments, companies, knowledge institutes and civil society organisations, Wetlands International brokers knowledge and leverages change at a landscape scale. Jane is prominent in building partnerships and global dialogues that enable ecosystem-based solutions, contributing to achieve a safe and secure world. Jane was a Member of the Clinton Global Initiative and special advisor on Environmental Stewardship, since 2012, receiving two “awards of excellence” from President Clinton for Wetlands International’s contributions to tackling environmental and climate challenges.

Previously Jane worked for WWF in Europe and Australia and for the Broads Authority, UK. Here some further info of work before Wetlands International:

I was Director of Conservation for the Broads National Park, UK (1989-1999), responsible for establishing the necessary research, policies and practices to resolve conflicts between agriculture, tourism and conservation in this complex and fragile wetland system.

As the first Director of the WWF European, Middle East and North Africa Freshwater Programme (1999-2001) I designed and set in motion a pan-European initiative that enabled staff working in over 20 countries.

As Regional Director, WWF Australia (2001-2004), I established the national freshwater programme and developed and managed a staff team and four major ecoregional initiatives dealing with terrestrial, marine and freshwater conservation priorities in West Australia, from scratch.

I led an Anglo-Somali expedition “Somalia Research Project” to document the value of

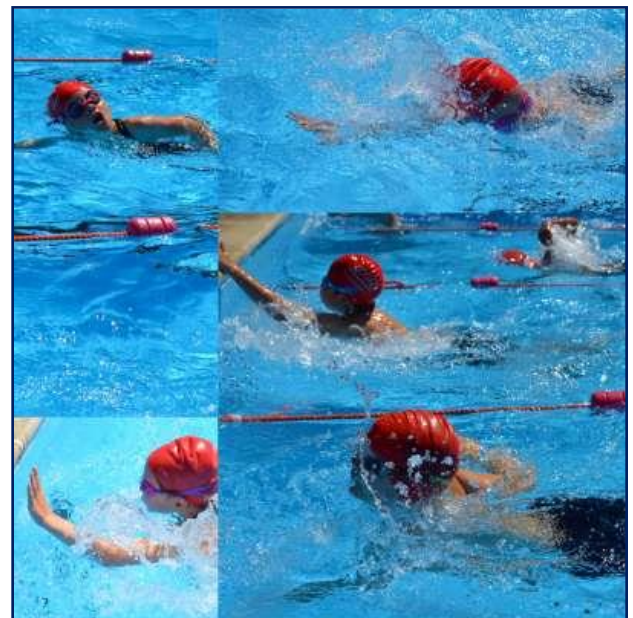
forests of southern Somalia’s Jubba river in 1986 and participated in ecological research expeditions in North Yemen, Belize and Australia prior to that.

Sports News

Both inter-house swimming galas were very successful and held in beautiful sunshine. Congratulations to all who took part.

Inter-house Junior Prep Swimming Gala Results:

First -	Ridgeway
Second -	Frome
Third -	Purbeck
Fourth -	Maumbury



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Weekly Diary

WHOLE SCHOOL DIARY OF EVENTS	2nd	End of Year Assembly/Music Ensemble 9.00 am
		Form 8 Bike Ride to Weymouth
	3rd	Nursery Sports Day 9.00 am
		Junior Sports Day 11.00 am
		Senior Sports Day 2.00 pm
	4th	ABRSM Music Exams
		Inter House Mixed Cricket & Rounders 2.15 pm
	5th	Form 8 Thomas Hardy Move Up Day
		After School Sailing
	6th	End of Year Service St Peter's Church 9.30 am
		Speech Day & Prizegiving 11.00 am
		Drinks & Canapes on the Lawn 12.30 pm
		Term Ends 12.30 pm
		Form 8 Lunch 1.00 pm
LETTERS ON THE PORTAL	Menu - 2nd July	
	Music Timetable	
Fledglings	No letters	
Nursery	No letters	
Reception	No letters	
Form 1	No letters	
Form 2	No letters	
Form 3	No letters	
Form 4	No letters	
Form 5	No letters	
Form 6	French Trip information for September	
Form 7	No letters	
Form 8	Bike Ride to Weymouth	