

Hermes

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Family Matters



Form 4 - High Ropes



Dear Parents

There's a lot to report on this week so I'll dive straight in with news of babies. Emma and Duncan Sleightholme's twins have recently been christened and the Peppers have also welcomed a new addition. I must congratulate both families on behalf of all our community.



Community has featured significantly in school this week. Your class reps have met to bring to my attention issues that they would like clarification on. They always bring a number of good ideas to share too. One in particular is going to come to fruition at the beginning of next week, and that relates to a community notice board. This will be located alongside the anti-bullying notice board in Compass Lobby. It will be a place where you can list items for sale or perhaps advertise services or social events.

The reps noted that they did not think their children were drinking as much water as they should during the day and that filled water bottles seem to be untouched. We will do our very best to encourage children to keep hydrated all day long.

Safe entry and exit from school and ease of parking was brought to my attention and whether speed bumps on the straight part of our drive might be a useful deterrent to those who might drive too fast. It was also queried where teachers were meant to park and why there were so many spaces alongside the kitchen area of school.

I shared with class reps that the size of the School from Form 1 to Form 8 totalled 144 pupils giving us an average class size of 18. This represents an optimum number for us that balances class size against revenue.

In the classroom this week there has been a real need for drastic crowd control to curb bad behaviour, though not of the human type. The maths room has been blitzed by hundreds and hundreds of ladybirds that have very sadly required the services of a “special” visitor. We’re hoping normal service will be resumed shortly.



I was quite amazed by the brilliant creations produced by a girl in Form 6 this week. Accompanied by her good friend Molly B, Katie S brought me some of the flies she has tied. Earlier in the week she had told me about her lovely grandpa and his career as a professional fly tyer and how he had taught her to tie her own flies. The ones she bought in were quite exquisite and much better than my own. She is now condemned to a life of chatting about flies with her teacher. I hope she is patient!



On Tuesday afternoon we welcomed our good friends from St. Mary’s School in Swanage. They arrived with two teams for a game of football and were supervised by none other than Joe Gadson, who used to be a football coach at Sunninghill. Also watching the game was celebrated local artist and former parent Julian Bailey.



Julian very kindly brought in a limited edition print for the raffle to be held during our charity dinner on the 18th December. More details of this in coming weeks. Julian also told us about his latest exhibition taking place at Dukes Gallery in Dorchester. Details attached.

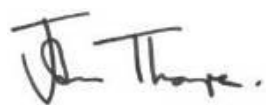


The Form 4s seem to be having a great time at Brenscombe outdoor centre on the Isle of Purbeck. They have been raft building and climbing at Dancing Ledges. They have also enjoyed an exciting night walk and the high ropes course.

Form 3s delivered a wonderful assembly this morning which gave the school lots of advice on how to be a good friend. They also told us about the penguin houses they had built for the Sealife Centre.

Finally, we held our first Open Morning of the year. We welcomed seven new families to school who were interested in a range of age groups. More details of this as their interest in the school develops. I must thank Form 6 for being brilliant tour guides.

Wishing you a happy weekend ahead. At least the rain is due to arrive!



Mr John Thorpe
Headmaster

Fledglings

We had some keen gardeners down in Fledglings this week, it was a team effort to harvest the sunflowers and replace them with onions. We enjoyed exploring the shiny bulbs and pushing them down into the compost. On Thursday our friends brought in an abandoned nest they'd found in their nana's garden, how exciting!



Nursery

This week we have been learning all about our senses, and we started every morning with a song about the 5 senses. We walked along a 'sensory path'. The children really enjoyed doing this and were really good at 'having a go'!

We also had a go at making our own fruit kebabs, using our tongues to eat and taste different flavours!



We were using our senses to touch the moon sand.

They also made chocolate apples in Monday's session. Part of the learning was to understand what the word 'Melt' means when melting the chocolate.

In the picture Phineas is very pleased with his decorated chocolate apple that he made with Miss Livesey.



Let's Explore with Reception & Nursery

We were using our senses. We tasted different flavour jelly and then used our senses of smell and sight to check if we had tasted correctly!



Form 2

We have been learning about Katie Morag and her life on Struay. In one of the stories we have been following Katie's adventures on Baking Day and decided to do a survey to see which are our favourite cakes/biscuits etc. We had a lot of fun tasting the goodies and now will be making block graphs to show our findings!



Ballet with Miss Emilie



Miss Emilie

Form 3

The boys and girls have been designing nest boxes, in conjunction with the Sea Life Centre to produce designs on two nest boxes for their fairy penguins. Representatives from the Centre came in with the nest boxes and told the class all about the fairy penguins. They will be on display in Weymouth, where they have 20 pairs of fairy penguins. The boys and girls are very proud of their designs.



Music News

We are holding our first music assembly of the term next Friday 12th October. Some of our music ensembles alongside the music peri's will be performing. All parents welcome. Breakfast will follow in the Drawing Room.

Clubs

Hockey & Ball Skills



Cookery



Art



Martial Arts



Children and staff in educational settings are particularly susceptible to the spread of infections, such as seasonal influenza (flu) and gut infections (such as norovirus) which increase over the winter months. Outbreaks often occur due to the close contact between children and staff. However, the impact can be reduced by following the advice provided and by adopting good infection control practices.

It is important that all children from aged 2 to 9 years are immunised against flu. Children develop the same range of symptoms as adults and can become very ill, or even die, from flu, but if young children become unwell they are also particularly likely to spread infections to other vulnerable people. Immunising children against flu can therefore protect them, their families, and also the wider community in which they live.

Children aged 2 and 3 years old are offered the vaccine via their GP, whilst those aged 4 - 9 years (Reception to Year 5) will be

offered the vaccine at school, via their local school aged immunisation provider. The date for this year is Tuesday 6th November. Please complete and return the form which has been sent home with your child this week. Children and staff in at-risk groups of any age are also offered immunisation via their GP.

Lydia

Sports News

Hockey

Team: U8 v Knighton House
Date: 2nd October
Venue: Away
Result: 3 - 1 Win

The team played Knighton House away. The girls were extremely excited as this was their very first away match. They started strongly and Izzy had soon scored the first goal, set up by Katy. There was noticeable improvement in the team's positioning and passing on the pitch from last week. Iris, Clara and Anna showed good control of the ball, keeping possession when tackled. Izzy really shone playing an attacking role and scored all 3 goals, gaining her the contribution award.

Contribution Award: Izzy S for scoring all three goals!



Holiday Club

Don't forget to make your booking for the Half Term Holiday Club. We are open for one week of the holidays from Monday 22nd to Friday 26th October. Full details and booking forms on the website link below and places are filling up fast so please do not leave it until the last minute!

<https://sunninghillprep.co.uk/information/holiday-club/>

Sports Club - Forms 5 - 8

Mr Willemse and Mr Thorpe will be running a 3-day Sports Club during the second week of half term. Please sign up as soon as possible to enable us to run it.

Lost Property

Tabitha in Form 2 has lost a pair of pink and blue Clark's trainers with her name in.

Team: U9 v Knighton House
Date: 2nd October
Venue: Away
Result: 1 - 0 loss

We were very excited to play our first away game and got stuck in right from the start. Unfortunately, KH girls started quickly too and were ferocious tacklers and this led to a quick goal.

After the goal, SPS were a little stunned and did not really tackle for a quarter. However, after a little team talk, SPS started to tackle hard and move the ball up the pitch. Mirabelle made some excellent passes to space but no one got on the end of them. It was end to end play with Flora tackling well and Maggie trying to play round the opposition. Isadora and Carolina worked hard and Lucy gave us lots of space but SPS were unable to get a shot. We now need to work on passing and moving the ball up the pitch.

Team: U10 v Dumpton
Date: 3rd October
Venue: SPS
Result: 5 - 0 loss

We played a well organised Dumpton team and unfortunately we went two goals down in the first few minutes. Izzy made some great saves and cleared the ball very well. We then started to play with a lot more confidence with Imogen clearing and moving the ball very well. We began the 2nd half with more confidence and determination having moved Imogen to centre midfield. We played into their D a few times but were unable to score a goal. In the meantime Dumpton scored 3 more goals in the 2nd half.

Contribution Award: Imogen for playing well in two positions and showing good hockey skills.

Team: U11 v Dumpton
Date: 3rd October
Venue: SPS
Result: 2 - 2 draw

We began a little hesitantly but soon settled to play some good hockey. Unfortunately Dumpton managed to get a breakaway goal but we kept our shape and passed the ball well with Lola playing a pivotal role in midfield. We attacked down the left with Georgie playing really well and creating problems for their defence. Dumpton scored their 2nd goal just before half time. We began the 2nd half well with Poppy making some great clearances from defence. As we kept attacking, Georgie found Indie who passed to Zuzanna who scored a great goal from the right. We kept pressing and in the final couple of minutes the same scenario occurred but with Zuzanna hitting the ball into the goal as she was falling! A great goal.

Contribution Award: Poppy for really improved play. Georgie for tirelessly working for the team.

Team: U12/13A v Dumpton
Date: 3rd October
Venue: Away
Result: 0 - 0 draw

This was a very evenly matched game although we pressed the Dumpton goal and were very unlucky not to score in the first half. Megan came close with a good shot which the goalkeeper saved with her stick. Erin and Atlanta were tremendous in defence, tackling well and passing the ball to get our attack going. Amalia did not have a shot to save as GK. So many times we got that ball goal bound. We just didn't manage to get a clean strike and the Dumpton defence scrambled the ball away. More composure and balance on the ball is needed using our skill to get into a shooting position. We really deserved to win as we were the stronger side. Well done to everyone.

Contribution Award: Atlanta for some brilliant defensive work and Megan for using her skills.

Team: U12/13B v Dumpton
Date: 3rd October
Venue: Away
Result: 5 - 0 loss

A game where for the majority of the time, despite a lot of effort on a hot afternoon, we did not perform anywhere near the best of our ability.

The start of the match seemed to set the tone. From our pushback, we contrived to pass the ball back into the D where we gave Dumpton the ball for a shot on goal (which fortunately went wide). The first half saw Dumpton very much on the front foot and they fully deserved their 3-0 lead at half time. Only some strong tackling from Jessie and Clara in defence stopped further goals.

In the second half the team were asked to keep possession once we had the ball. Gradually we came more into the game and it was a more even half. Some positional changes in the last quarter saw the team make further improvements. Olivia made some strong tackles and her ball distribution

was better, Jessie continued to fight for every ball out on the wing and Clara's dogged determination foiled several Dumpton attacks.

Contribution Award: Olivia for determined play throughout.

Football

Team: U8 v St Mary's, Swanage
Date: 2nd October
Venue: SPS
Result: 1 - 2 loss

Sunninghill started the match strong controlling the ball in the St Mary's half. Rex scored an excellent goal in the bottom corner. Momentum changed at the end of the first half and play was from end to end. Lovely defending from Oliver and Gregory kept their opponents at bay. The players produced some great passes but need to continue to use more width of the pitch. Harvey made a strong impact in his first match. In the second half Sunninghill started to lose shape and concentration which enabled St Mary's to equalise.

Team: U9 v St Mary's, Swanage
Date: 2nd October
Venue: SPS
Result: 5 - 2 loss

We started the game slightly timid and allowed St Mary's time on the ball which enabled them to pass the ball around. After a stern team talk from the manager the Form 4's came out of the blocks strong and started to fight back. They showed far more commitment and desire to win the ball. Two lovely goals were scored and although the score might not suggest, the match finished more even. Well done.

Team: U13/12 Football v Yarrells
Date: 3rd October
Venue: Away
Result: 4 - 0 (A) loss
4 - 0 (B) loss

We put out two evenly matched teams picked by our two team captains Tom and Nathan, knowing that if we had two we could substitute from one to the other as required. As the results show no tinkering was required as the team choices were spot on. Having a blend of youth and experience helped both; the youth rose to the occasion under the support and leadership of the experienced.

Both teams and all players without exception played well. I was particularly impressed with Aidan and Tom's involvement and reading of the game in defence. Lawrence was also immense in defence. Joshua's intelligent running was on another level from the last match and Tymon as ever always found space and was a constant danger.

Contribution Awards:

Ben - Defender last week, striker this. Hit the post twice and crossbar and very unlucky not to have a hat trick.
Gabriel - for his hat trick and showed great skill and attitude.

Team: U11 BCS Football Tournament
Date: 3rd October
Venue: SPS

The U11's played in a football tournament with fierce competition on Wednesday. They all worked extremely hard and improved as the tournament went on. They defended well as a unit and tried to attack by spreading out and using the wings. Valentine and Gethyn scored stunning goals whilst Sam, Archie and William moved the ball around well. The highlight was our match against BCS when the team was 0-1 down and Valentine managed to equalise in the dying seconds of the match. The game went to a penalty shootout which Sunninghill won after an amazing save from Max J.

Well done to all the boys for their fantastic attitude.



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Form 8 Responsibilities for the Autumn Term

<i>Head Boy</i>	Lawrence
<i>Head Girl</i>	Verity
<i>Sports Captains</i>	Amalia & Nathan

Prefects:

<i>ICT</i>	Lawrence and Olivia
<i>Art</i>	Jessie
<i>M&D</i>	Clara and Lily B
<i>Outdoor Ed</i>	Atlanta and Frida
<i>STEM</i>	Verity and Poppy
<i>Languages</i>	Lea and Amalia
<i>Humanities</i>	Olivia
<i>Eco</i>	Jessie and Verity
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Whatever its mood, water in paintings can carry light, energy and a kind of soul. The four painters in **Currents** are drawn to paint water again and again, for the joy of it, the power and forocity of it, the contemplative force of it and for its deep unknowable mysteries. Essential for life, but associated with danger, water plays a much greater role for all of us than we really realise. It seems likely to demand more of our attention in the future as the climate changes. To look at, it is of course endlessly fascinating both in reality and in the powerful two-dimensional illusion of art.

Bringing together the work of four eminent contemporary painters, **Currents** will sweep you up into the tide of the present moment. For Janette Kerr, water is deeply dynamic, whipped up by the wind and portrayed in energetic expressionist brush strokes. Vanessa Gardiner's water is often a well of opaque turquoise blue with geometrically divided areas of froth and shadow. Julian Bailey's joyous seas seem to sparkle and move with thick impasto paint and quick gestural brush strokes. Luke Elwes' Ganga paintings turn the surface of water into a shimmering meditation.

As a maritime warehouse, Sladers Yard has always been connected to the sea. It has been converted into a gallery and café by Petter Southall who started working wood as a boat builder and whose furniture is filled with the echoes of boat shapes and boatbuilding techniques. With the sea outside the door here at West Bay and water in all its forms on the walls, you are invited to dip in and immerse yourself in one artist's vision after another.

View the paintings online at www.sladersyard.co.uk
Please follow the links for more information.



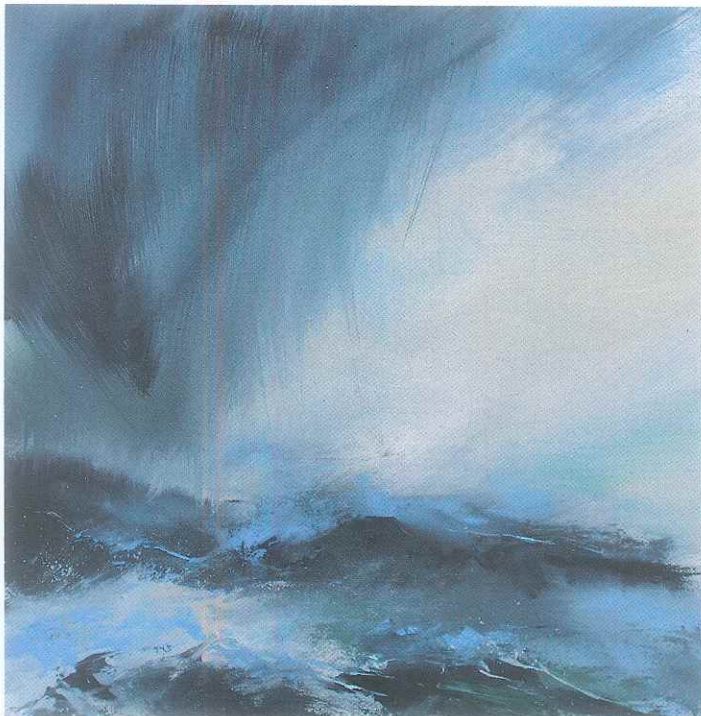
currents: JULIAN BAILEY
LUKE ELWES VANESSA GARDINER
JANETTE KERR PPRWA RSA Hon
PETTER SOUTHALL furniture
Saturday 22 September to Sunday 11 November 2018

SLADERS YARD



Current by Luke Elwes
oil on linen, 102 x 102 cm

Front: Winter Sailing by
Julian Bailey oil on board
46 x 49 cm



From dark to light and
back again by Janette Kerr
PPRWA RSA Hon oil on board
30 x 30 cm

Right: Wave Line 3 by
Vanessa Gardiner, acrylic
on board, 107 x 122 cm



currents

ways of seeing water

new paintings by **Julian Bailey**, **Luke Elwes**,
Vanessa Gardiner, **Janette Kerr** PPRWA RSA Hon

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Julian Bailey

Recent work in oil and gouache

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at Duke's Gallery, Dorchester

Private view
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5.30 – 7.30

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Saturday 8th December 9.30 – 12

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Weekly Diary

WHOLE SCHOOL DIARY OF EVENTS	8th	
	9th	Form 3 & 4 Maiden Castle trip 9.30 am
		U8 & U9 Hockey v Sandroyd (H) 2.15 pm
		U8 & U9 Football v BCS (A) @ Castle Court 2 .15 pm
		Form 7 Parents' Evening 4.45 - 7.00 pm
	10th	Form 8 Shakespeare Workshop
		U12/13A & B Hockey v Clayesmore (A) 2.00 pm
		U11 Hockey v Clayesmore (H) 2.45 pm
		U10 Hockey v Clayesmore (H) 2.15 pm
		U13/12 Rugby v Salisbury Cathedral @ DRC 2.30 pm
		U11 Rugby v Salisbury Cathedral @ DRC 2.30 pm
		U10 Rugby v Salisbury Cathedral @ SPS 2.30 pm
	11th	Reception - Form 4 Swimming
		Form 5 Military Keep visit 1.30 pm
		After School Sailing
		PTFA Wine Tasting Event 7.00 pm
	12th	Music Assembly 8.30 am
		All parents invited for our weekly Friday assembly 8.30 am
		<i>Please book breakfast with Megan by Wednesday</i>
		Form 3 Stokewater Meadow trip 9.00 am
		Parent & Toddler Group
		Reception Library visit 2.00 pm
		Form 5 - 8 Sports afternoon
LETTERS ON THE PORTAL		Menu - 8th October
		Music Timetable - Week 6
		Sports Fixtures
		Annual Medical Update form
Fledglings		No letters
Nursery		No letters
Reception		Nasal Flu Sprays
Form 1		Nasal Flu Sprays
Form 2		Nasal Flu Sprays
Form 3		Nasal Flu Sprays/Stokewater Meadows
Form 4		Nasal Flu Sprays
Form 5		Nasal Flu Sprays/Form 5 Boys - Rugby tour
Form 6		No letters
Form 7		No letters
Form 8		No letters