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*Spring has officially Sprung!*



*Two budding doctors!*

Dear Parents

Last weekend's Six nations rugby championship reached a superb finale with Wales ending up worthy champions and England scraping to a draw in the dying moments of the game.

There is hope on the horizon for a resurgent England because former Sunninghill pupil, Landy Bailey, received his England U18 cap recently.



Landy was a protégé of ex-Dorchester RUFC stalwart, Mike Sprules. The school and town can gain great pride from his achievements.

Whilst we remember Landy as a brilliant rugby player, we were just as proud of his wonderfully warm character and his humble nature. He was a great role model to our younger children and we wish him well as his rugby career progresses.

Last Friday's PTFA barn dance mirrored the first held a year ago. A small number of eager parents and staff had a most brilliant evening together. The live band was superb, the hog roast was beyond tasty and the bar well attended. A big thank you to the PTFA and staff reps for their hard work in getting the evening organised and to all those who attended.

Budding actors and actresses have been aiming for stardom this week as the whole school has been in a LAMDA-ing frenzy, shepherded by the ever present Mrs Moss. Individual and team performances seem to have gone very well and we await their results with baited breath. If Mrs Moss isn't busy enough with all her school and family roles she has also just started her National Professional Qualification for Senior Leadership qualification (NPQSL) which is really going to tax her knowledge and understanding, not to mention her resilience under pressure.

Not to be outdone, the Form 7s and Mrs Fernley headed off to the big smoke this week to see a professional performance of Romeo and Juliet at the Globe Theatre. They certainly seemed to have had a fantastic day out and we hope this will inspire them as they begin to think about joining the Shakespeare in School festival when they start their final year in school.

Earlier in the week I thought a very early birthday present had arrived for me. A brand new skid-steer digger was sitting in the car park. I felt certain it must be for me but alas no. Les and Ray were doing some remedial work to the huge piles of slowly rotting leaves on the far side of the rugby pitch and had called in for mechanical assistance to make the huge task slightly easier.



Much of the well-rotted mulch can be seen carefully deposited around school by Liz, who continues to weave her magic in everything she touches. You can't help to notice the rapidly maturing rockery as you walk up the school drive. It is beginning to look very beautiful and certainly seems to be heralding spring.



Mobile phones and worries over inappropriate use of social media continue to occupy much of our time in school. Mrs Carr and Mr Stazicker are in the process of writing a lengthy tome to you which will not only provide worried parents with good advice and best practice, but also reinforce the agreed boundaries for phone use in school.

Looking ahead to the final week of the term, effort grades will wing their way to you by Wednesday. Our end of term assembly will take place on Thursday, rapidly followed by the PTFA Easter egg hunt. Please do try to join us for the end of term Easter service next Friday afternoon at 2.30pm in St. Peter's Church. To tempt you in, hot cross buns and tea and coffee will be served back at school afterwards.



Finally, in today's assembly Form 6 shared with us their bucket list of exciting things to do and tried to encourage us all to cut down our screen time and be more creative and active.

I'll second and third that!

Wishing you a wonderful weekend with your family.

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "John Thorpe".

Mr John Thorpe  
Headmaster



## ***Nursery***

Nursery have been busy making some pretty plant pots to take home for Easter! Soon, we will plant something inside them. Well done, everyone, they look great!



We have been for a 'spring walk' around the school grounds. Using our checklists on our clipboards we were able to tick off anything we could see, such as flowers, birds and trees.



The children have all made some brilliant Easter cards ready to take home next week! They have been given the choice of making a marble-painted bunny, or a chick using collage materials.



## ***Form 1 – on the slopes***



## ***Form 2***

Mr Hall came in this week to talk to the children about life as a doctor today. The children asked questions and enjoyed plaster casting a friend's arm.

It was Tuesday March 20<sup>th</sup> and Form 2's topic was Florence Nightingale, so Mr Hall, a surgeon, came in.

He showed us all how to put a plaster cast on each other and everyone had a whale of a time!

We asked lots of questions. He said he had to train for 14 years!!!

I think it's better to be a doctor now than in Florence's time because thanks to her, hospitals are cleaner and more hygienic.

Mr Hall has to wash his hands for 3 full minutes before an operation and wear brand new clothes every time!

Thank you for coming to tell us all about it Mr Hall we loved it!!!

*Tabitha*



Albi:

I went climbing up Mount Everest and did a front flip. I landed perfectly but I went too fast and crashed to the ground and broke my arm!



*Mrs Thorpe in disguise!*

### ***Form 3 & 4***

Kinetic Kate, from Fun Science came and spent last Friday afternoon with Forms 3 and 4. The children learnt all about electricity, made their own torches and carried out their own erupting experiments!

On Tuesday we all had broken arms and Mrs Thorpe asked us to write about what had happened.....

Roxana:

I broke my arm because my sister pushed me out of an aeroplane and I landed on a trampoline in someone's garden. I bounced off the trampoline and broke my arm!

Millie:

I was pretending to be a monkey and jumping on the bed. I went so high I nearly touched the ceiling but then I fell off on my arm BANG!!



Thanks Kate for such a fantastic, hands-on Friday enrichment!





## ***Form 7 & 8 Visitor***

Clive Stafford-Smith is an international human right lawyer who often works in America. He has founded a charity called 'Reprieve'. It is a non-profit organization to help people that cannot afford a lawyer. He has just got back from Syria after he re-joined two children with their mother. He came in to talk to Form 7 and 8 about the story of some of his top cases. We all found his talk inspirational and fascinating.

*Freya and Gabriel*



## ***The Globe Trip***

The whole experience was spectacular. The theatre was much better than others and the play was really enjoyable. Unlike other plays from Shakespeare, it seemed easier to understand.

*Eleni*



Watching Romeo and Juliet in the Globe was amazing because they made it very interesting by using props and making it humorous. Also, I enjoyed how they used the Shakespearean language but we all could still understand it.

*Lily*

## ***Form 7***



Form 7 are currently looking at 'Responsible and Sustainable Energy Use' – a topic of increasingly high importance for future generations – in their STEM Creative Curriculum. Initially we looked at the role of solar panels and how much electrical energy they can release. This was followed by a visit to the Bio Digester at Rainbow Farm near Martinstown. This was followed up by a

really informative talk from one of our fathers, Steffen Taschner, a renowned expert in this field. He was also able to give pupils an insight into possible STEM careers in this area.

This week we visited a Passivhaus by very kind invitation of the Pank family. We are indebted to Sarah Pank for both the visit and her prior presentation showing the planning and construction of their home.



You will see from the small selection of letters below, that the pupils have genuinely been enthused and inspired by this topic. Next week they will carry out an energy audit within school and, after looking at some of our energy bills, try to put forward some ideas for reducing them. The Bursar has (readily) agreed to these ideas being presented to the Governors.

*Sue Brunt*



Dear Mrs Pank

Thank you for coming into our school and giving us a fascinating talk about your Passivhaus. I really enjoyed learning about how you designed it from scratch and also the fact that the insulating material was recycled newspaper blew me away. I also found the heat recovery unit especially interesting, the fact that it can take cold air, filter it and then move it around the house is unbelievable. I've also learnt that timber is the best building material and also the cheapest.

I would also like to say thank you for letting us into your home so we could see and feel what it's like to live in a Passivhaus. Another special thank you to Freddie for baking those delicious cookies for us. Finally just a big thank you in general for all the time and effort you put into this, the quiz (which I really enjoyed by the way), the talk in school and finally the effort into building the house itself it is utterly fascinating and effective.

*Thank you. Harry*



Dear Sarah,

Thank so much for your effort firstly on coming into school to teach us about Passivhaus, it was a great experience and we learnt a lot about how they work. Thank you for welcoming us into your home and going

through the trouble of making us brilliant badges, quizzes and for buying delicious chocolates. Also please tell Freddie that his biscuits were really tasty and thank you having the thought to make the biscuits for us. It was really thoughtful in letting us come into your home and let us look around. Your house was beautiful and amazing and really clever. We learnt so much about how a Passivhaus is built and how it works, your speech was really informative and clear. You made the visit interesting and fun for everybody.

*Meena and Freya*

Dear Mrs Pank

As we have learnt, responsible energy use is vital to preserving our future. The effort you and your family have put in to your incredible Passivhaus House is amazing. We all need to our bit for the environment and you, in Dorset, are leading the way.

Thank you for taking the time to come into school on Thursday and tutor us on all the great details- from design and planning to modern day features. The fact that even the insulating material was recycled newspaper you really are incredible. The Heat exchange unit was really fascinating. Thank you for telling us about your aims for an electric car, solar panels and a battery.

Thanks to Freddie for baking the cookies [they were delicious by the way] and thanks to you for the drinks and chocolate and spending so much time preparing the house for our visit. The quiz was quite fun and I enjoyed writing the answers. My favourite part was when we were told about the filters in each room and how the house is a stable structure. Other interesting things include:

- How timber is great for the job
- Triple glazed windows
- The Heat Exchange Unit
- Solar Power

- Electric Cars
- Plans and designs of the house
- Plans for the garden

Thank you for letting us into your house to truly see and feel what a Passivhaus is like. An overall thank you for absolutely everything; I certainly enjoyed! I love the idea of living in a Passivhaus and would love to help design one!

THANK YOU!!!!!!

My Question:

What are the future plans for Passivhaus's in the U.K?

*From Henry*

Dear Sarah

Thank you very much for coming to our school and showing us around your Passivhaus. We really enjoyed it and found it very interesting. Thank you for organizing the quiz, badges and giving us snacks. It has inspired us to make another Passivhaus in the future and to become more eco-friendly. Your house was very beautiful, modern, cozy and warm. It was very interesting how your house is unique and insulated by recycled newspaper, had triple glazed windows and the main structure was built from Timber. We found it clever how one machine can pump filtered, heated and fresh air around your house. We also love that it is one of the most beautiful houses but had no heating and was more affordable.

*From Megan and Lily*

## ***Music News***

Congratulations to everyone who performed at the informal concert on Thursday and we are very much looking forward to the Formal Concert at 7.00 pm this evening in the Drawing Room.



# Sports News

**Team:** *U8 Netball v Sandroyd*  
**Venue:** *SPS*  
**Result:** *1 – 0 loss*

It was nice to play this game at SPS and although we lost by one goal we had most of the play. The team were missing Kitty and Katy who give us a bit of height but we had some great passing moves to get the ball into our circle so many times. No-one was able to score and this was such a shame as the team deserved a few goals for their efforts. Clara and Kitty's passing was strong, Anna jumped to intercept the ball in defence, Izzy and Iris were unlucky when shooting and Scarlett got into some good spaces on court. This was our last game of the term so a big well done to everyone for making progress and trying hard to improve your skills.

**Contribution Award:** *Kitty T and Clara for their strong passing and Kitty T for her determination.*

**Team** *U9 Netball v Sandroyd*  
**Venue:** *SPS*  
**Result:** *11 – 0 loss*

Sandroyd were a very strong team who worked well to get the ball up the court and could score goals from nearly every part of the circle.

Sunninghill tried really hard to mark but the opposition were very good at dodging and getting free. Mirabelle and Lucy worked hard to get free when SPS had the ball but often the pass was not accurate.

Isadora stuck to her opponent but found it hard to get the ball. Maggie and Carolina needed to try to move to a space more. Flora continued to intercept passes but sometimes her pass let her down.

Having said all of that, I was very proud of the girls because they did not give up and were smiling and happy at the end.

**Contribution Award:** *Sandroyd awarded this to Mirabelle and I totally agree!*

**Team:** *U10 Netball*  
**Venue:** *Clayesmore*  
**Result:** *7 - 3 loss*

The Sunninghill team started well, but Sandroyd managed to take the lead in the first quarter after two successful shots. They had a strong shooter and Amelia did well to keep up with her. As time progressed Sunninghill became more assertive, Amelia continuing to make good interceptions in defence. Katie supporting backline throw-ins by driving forward to receive the pass. Play soon made its way into the attacking third where Imogen moved effectively in the circle working well with an injured Polina who was holding her space under the post. Sunninghill improved their marking and put pressure on Sandroyd players, but once again our shooting let us down. Final score was 7-3 to Sandroyd.

**Contribution Award:** *Amelia for her improved defensive skills and Katie for using space and driving forward to receive the ball.*

**Team:** *U11 Netball v Sandroyd*  
**Venue:** *Redlands*  
**Result:** *2 -1 win*

A really fast and competitive match with Sunninghill justifiably finishing as narrow winners.

The home team took an early lead after some crisp passing in mid court. The scoreboard then took a rest for 2 quarters – the players did anything but rest!

It was end – to – end stuff with the game played at a really high pace (sometimes a little too fast).



Sunninghill were encouraged to spread the play better and subsequently created several chances but were unable to put the ball in the net. Georgie, Iola and Bea worked hard both with possession. Zuzanna was outstanding all game 'leaping like a salmon' to outplay a much taller opponent.

Poppy had a very strong game in defence intercepting several passes and along with Mia did enough to limit the Sandroyd shooters to a solitary goal.

After Sandroyd had levelled the score, the final quarter saw a frantic bid by both teams for glory. In a nail biting last few minutes Sunninghill managed to convert one of their chances and hold on for a well - deserved 2 – 1 win.

An excellent way to finish the Netball season!

***Contribution Award: Zuzanna for her immense energy and total commitment throughout the game.***

***Team: U12 Netball***  
***Venue: Sandroyd***  
***Result: 16 – 14 win***

After a long drive the girls needed a few minutes to settle down and get into game mode. However, a positive first couple of minutes made them focus on the task ahead and they ended the first third 3-1 up. They continued to fight for the ball in the second third using their height to their advantage.

They were also acutely aware of the speed of the Claysmore girls and their passing. Score 6-5 at half time. The girls did well not to panic in the third and at one point went three goals down but gained the lead before the whistle. A dominating display in the last quarter gave a 16-14 win. The opposition chose Gemma and Freya as their girls of the match and they receive the contribution award. A fantastic last match, well done everyone.

***Contribution Award: Gemma & Freya***

***Team: U13 Netball***  
***Venue: Sandroyd***  
***Result: loss***

A challenging last game for the Year 8 girls, playing a very quick and well drilled opposition. We started well and were only 4 – 1 down after the first quarter but Sandroyd were faster and a little more determined and pulled away convincingly by half time. All credit to our girls who kept going and at times played some very good netball. Well done everyone for your good humour and your enthusiasm. We all enjoyed the sausage, chips, beans, donuts and hot chocolate for match teas.

***Contribution Award: The opposition chose Tallulah in defence and Poppy in attack.***

***Team: U8 Hockey v Yarrells***  
***Venue: Redlands***  
***Result: 4 – 1 loss***

The match started well with each team eagerly pursuing the ball with purpose. An early break through by Charlie Fl allowed the home team to score through Charlie Fa. Though the game was tight in the midfield, they had one player who had the natural ability to rush past our defenders and score all of their goals. The final score did not reflect the closeness of the game. Their goals all came from the same unfortunate method. Each player was exceptional in their position, especially Charlie Fa and Xavier.

***Contribution Award: Charlie Fa and Xavier.***

***Team: U9 Hockey v Yarrells***  
***Venue: Redlands***  
***Result: 3 – 0 win***  
***1 – 1 draw***

Sunninghill were really up for their last fixture of the term. The boys were focussed and determined to give Yarrells a battle and they certainly did that. Oscar and Freddie

kept a tight defensive line whilst Max, Felix and Mark worked hard in midfield. Alex scored another three goals to add to his impressive goal scoring tally.

In their second match Yarrells put a fresh team on the pitch whilst the Sunninghill players had to go out there again. None the less they worked hard and controlled the ball for most of the time. Lovely individual skills were displayed although the team were a little passive in terms of pressing and closing down opponents. Yarrells scored off their only counter attack but Sunninghill fought hard and Oscar equalised after great play from Felix.

A lovely afternoon of hockey at Redlands and an excellent end to the hockey fixtures.

***Contribution Award: Felix for pressing high and regaining any lost balls.***

**Team: U10/11/12/13A Hockey**  
**Venue: Redlands (v Yarrells)**  
**Result: 4 – 1 win**

Sunninghill started the game strong and took control of the midfield within minutes. Finding space by long range passing was devastating the Yarrells defence and the players supported each other when they needed to. Josh and Henry played well on the wings, driving the ball into the D. Henry, Valentine and Tom scored excellent goals whilst Nathan, Tom and Josh came extremely close.

Lawrence also ended the hockey term strong with another solid performance in goal.

**Contribution award goes to Henry for his excellent passing and tactical awareness.**

**Team: U10/11/12/13B Hockey**  
**Venue: Redlands (v Yarrells)**  
**Result: 4 – 1 win**

The game was finely balanced at half time with SPS having taken a slender lead just before half time.

In the second half Sunninghill played with greater width and fluidity, quickly flicking the ball into space for players to run onto.

William B-K was particularly impressive in goal, especially as he was representing a much older age group. You would never have known.

Goals were scored by Tymon G (2x) Gabriel O'D and Harry A.

***Contribution Award: goes to Harry A for his excellent and reliable play in defence in the first half and for scoring an excellent goal when he moved up into attack in the second half.***

**Team: U10/11/12/13C Hockey**  
**Venue: SPS (v Yarrells)**  
**Result: 2 – 0 loss**

This turned out to be a one sided game and our super goalie Harri had to put up with a spectator role. We spent the entire game camped in their half and took a while to convert opportunities into goals. However two great goals from James and Sam gave us a very comfortable win. Our hockey skills paid dividends in our final match of the season. Always good to finish on a high.

***Contribution Award: Orlando always on the attack, in the right place and a constant threat to their defence.***



**Team:** U10/11/12/13D Hockey  
**Venue:** SPS (v Yarrells)  
**Result:** 1 – 0 win

Another game another quiet match for Harri in goal. We played really well and showed some sweet skills with the stick. We scored early doors with Leo putting straight through the goalie's legs for a nutmeg goal! We passed well and Daniel in particular kept the gate shut at the back – he was a titan in defence. We kept a clean sheet and finished the season with a win.

**Contribution Award:** Leo - a lovely finish at the start that was the highlight of the game.

## Area Swimming Gala



Sixteen Form 5 and 6 swimmers went up to 1610 to compete in this year's area swim gala. The competition was tough and there were some very exciting close races. As a team we compete for the Small School's trophy which we have won for the last three years. After ten events we were behind Salway Ash School who are our nearest rivals. Some great swimming in the relays pulled us ahead and we managed to retain the trophy for a fourth year. A big well done to everyone who swam so well, particularly those who are not regular club swimmers.

Congratulations to all those who will be swimming in the County Finals.

### Results

#### **First Places**

Holly	50m Breast stroke and 50m Freestyle
Poppy	25m Butterfly
Sam	25m Butterfly
Harri	100m Freestyle

#### **Girls Form 6** - 4 x 25m Mixed Relay and Freestyle Relay

Poppy  
Holly  
Mia  
Zuzanna

#### **Boys Form 6** - 4 x 25m Freestyle Relay

Valentine  
Gethyn  
William  
Harri

All these swimmers will represent West Dorset at the Primary Form 5/6 Final at the Littledown Sports Centre on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June. So please keep this date free.

#### **Second Places**

William St	50m Breast stroke
William Sm	50m Freestyle
Harri	25m Butterfly
Poppy	100m Freestyle

#### **Form 6 Boys** Mixed Relay

Valentine  
Gethyn  
William St  
Harri

#### **Form 5 Boys** Mixed Relay

Sam  
Theo Sa  
Tom  
William Sm

These swimmers will be reserves for the final.

**Final Scores:**  
**St Osmunds - 128**  
**Sunninghill - 105**  
**Salway Ash - 93**  
**DMS – 78**  
**Bridport - 51**  
**Thorner's - 50**

### ***IAPS swimming Gala***

It is a qualifying round for the National Finals.

Competition was tough and races were close. Great experience to swim at Millfield and we await times to see if any of our swimmers qualify for the finals.



### ***Weymouth Hockey***

Weymouth girls played 3 close matches at Bournemouth with a last minute goal in the final match and a place at the regional finals in Bristol at end of April.



Megan , Freya and Gemma from Form 7 help make up the winning girls team .

### ***Netball Youth Camp***

Netball Youth Camp is being run in Blandford during the Easter holidays. Details are below.

**Love Netball?**  
**Beat the holiday boredom**  
**and Book your Netball**  
**Youth Camp place today!**

  
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**Date:** Tuesday 16th April 2019 (9am - 5pm)  
**Venue:** Blandford Leisure Centre, DT11 7DB  
**Price:** Members £40, Non Members £50

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TODAY**



## ***Form 8 Responsibilities for the Spring Term***

Head Boy – Tom  
Head Girl – Poppy  
Sports Captains – Lawrence & Tallulah

### **Prefects:**

ICT – Lawrence & Olivia  
Art – Jessie  
M&D – Clara & Lily  
Outdoor Ed – Atlanta & Frida  
STEM – Verity & Poppy  
Languages – Lea & Amalia  
Humanities – Olivia  
Eco – Jessie & Verity  
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	25th	<b>NO CLUBS THIS WEEK</b>
<b>WHOLE SCHOOL</b>		Forms 5 & 6 Girls Netball Practice - SPS 11.00 am
<b>DIARY OF EVENTS</b>		Forms 7 & 8 Girls Netball Practice -SPS 2.30 pm
	26th	Form 8 girls HPV injections 9.00 am
		Form 8 to Arne Nature Reserve 1.15 - 5.00 pm
		Forms 3 & 4 Mixed Inter House Hockey 2.15 pm
		Form 7 visit by Mr West, energy audit 2.50 pm
		Form 3 Residential Meeting 4.00 pm, Form 3 classroom
	27th	Form 8 (select) Flying Start Grand Final, Yeovilton 8.30 - 5.30 pm
		Form 2 Forest School
		Form 4 Forest School
		Inter House Netball 2.30 pm @ Redlands
		Inter House Hockey 2.30 pm
		Form 5 Residential Meeting 4.30 pm, Geography room
	28th	End of term assembly - parents welcome - 9.00 am
		Easter Egg Hunt 10.00 am
		Forms 7 & 8 Parents Sex Education Talk from 5.00 pm
	29th	Nursery & Fledglings Kingston Maurward 9.45 - 12.30 pm
		Reception Forest School 10.00 - 12.15 pm
		Easter Service St Peter's Church - all welcome 2.30 pm
		Spring Term ends at 4.00 pm with no prep club provision
<b>LETTERS ON THE PORTAL</b>	Music Timetable- Week 11	
	Menu - Week 11	
<b>Fledglings</b>	No letters	
<b>Nursery</b>	No letters	
<b>Reception</b>	No letters	
<b>Form 1</b>	No letters	
<b>Form 2</b>	No letters	
<b>Form 3</b>	Residential letter/Parking Permit letter	
<b>Form 4</b>	Parking Permit letter	
<b>Form 5</b>	Residential letter/Parking Permit letter	
<b>Form 6</b>	Parking Permit letter	
<b>Form 7</b>	Parking Permit letter/PSHCE Sex Education letter	
<b>Form 8</b>	Parking Permit letter/PSHCE Sex Education letter	