



To The Parents

Transition

It was a pleasure to host our Information Evening for Year 2 parents earlier this week and announce the positive developments we have planned for this crucial transition point in the Junior School. The move from Year 2 to Year 3 is where the children experience the greatest number of changes during their primary school journey. Expectations, both academically and personally are very different, as one of the key objectives of Year 3 is to prepare the children for Year 4 and beyond. It is also a year of consolidation as the children build on their past learning from infants. There are also changes in terms of pace of work, homework, the House system, PE/Games, uniform, school day and more.

In order to manage this process better and ensure that transition is as smooth as possible, the role of the Year 3 Form Teacher will be much more influential both in terms of the academic and pastoral provision. They will teach their children around 75% of their timetable including the all-important core subjects of maths and English, enabling a more consistent approach to teaching, and therefore greater progress to be made. The Form Teacher will also see their children at the beginning and end of the school day, providing an extra level of pastoral care and helping the children cope with the many changes and challenges they will face. In fact, we felt that this was important for all our pupils and have built this provision into the whole school timetable for September.

The children at PGJS respond impressively well to the challenges, curricular and co-curricular, we set them and it is our belief that challenge is a key element of education. This does, however, have to be underpinned by strong pastoral care and our commitment to providing that is a core value of the School.

PS Hopkinson

Staying Safe



I used to think I was quite computer savvy and remember how excited I was at the launch of the world wide web and internet access. I would sit in front of my computer screen and watch in marvel as a picture sent via e-mail would download, line by line; often taking a good hour. These days I get frustrated if a whole folder of photos does not download instantly! Technology has advanced at an alarming rate and I have long since given up trying to keep pace with the latest trends and technologies. Our children on the other hand have known no other world and are fully immersed and at home in our techno society.

On the back of this tidal wave of technological progress and innovation has come a whole new world of danger, as those with bad intentions have found numerous ways of exploiting the largely un-policed world wide web, and just as we, as responsible parents seek to protect our children from the dangers of the physical world we must also do the same to protect them in the virtual world.

Thankfully, organisations like the Child Exploitation and Online Protection Centre (CEOP) are on hand to advise both children and adults on how to stay safe on the internet. Three representatives from CEOP were in PGS earlier this week, working with pupils, staff and parents on raising awareness of the potential dangers and how to best protect against them.

As Head of the Junior School and a parent of two internet savvy children I strongly advise you to visit their website, which is full of useful advice and resources to help keep your child safe online. Their address is: <http://www.ceop.police.uk/>

Rory's Report of the Week

Now that Rory has his name back he is encouraging children to write a special report for inclusion in his weekly newsletter. If your child's story is selected they will receive a prestigious badge to wear on their blazer. The first winner is Charlotte Howard 3G and her fantastic report on tennis:

Outside of school I play tennis 10 times a week. For the second year in a row, I have been chosen to play for Portsmouth Tennis Academy's Aegon team. This means we go to all different clubs in different towns to play matches against them; and I'm the only girl in the team!

Our first matches were against Basingstoke. I had to play four boys and I beat all of them! The rest of my team also won – so we beat them sixteen - love.

After the matches we all had a yummy, scrummy match tea. The next matches we played were against Winchester, last weekend. They were a lot tougher and I won two out of four of my matches. Our team won ten-six in the end, which meant over all we were the winners!

After that we had sandwiches and chips. They were delicious! I've still got seven matches to play. So wish me good luck!



Nursery News



Teddy Bears were everywhere in Nursery this week. The children brought a favourite teddy from home to show to friends. Luckily the weather was good on Thursday afternoon so everyone could enjoy a Teddy Bear's picnic. All kinds of bears and soft toys came to the picnic, there was even an octopus and a kangaroo! The picnic food was chosen and prepared by some of the children. All the children enjoyed the treat and even the Teddy Bears behaved!

Summer Fete

1Y are running a tombola bottle stall for the summer fete. All contributions are welcome. Please give any contributions to the Junior School office or to Chrissy Robinson, 07882 452515. Chrissy will collect if you have too many to deliver!

Second Hand School Uniform Sale

There will be a second hand school uniform sale on Wednesday 22nd June at 3.00pm. Items for sale (in good condition) are to be left in the Junior School Office by Friday 10th June. All items must be labelled with name and class. All monies for sold items are to be collected in named envelopes from the Junior School Office. Items not sold should also be collected. 20% of sales will go to the JSA. For further information please telephone Susan Lilley on 07794 147030.

House Spelling Competition

Last week we had the first round of the House Spelling competition. During House meetings, all pupils took part in the quiz and made the best efforts they could to spell 10 different words. When all the results were finalised, the following pupils had made it through to the final on Tuesday 17th May at 10.55am in the David Russell Theatre. Good luck!

Year 3 finalists

Hudson – Emily Nelson, Ahtini Aranan

Jerrard – Emily Curwood, Ben Nash

Nicol – Claudia Bishop, Anna Caldwell, Zavier Barfoot

Privett – Poppy Herbert, Rory Buckeridge

Year 4 finalists

Hudson – Bhooshitha Balaji, Edward Campkin

Jerrard – Isaac Hillier, Georgina Lewis

Nicol – Ben Priory, Ben Steggall

Privett – Robert Quinn, Robert Mitchell

Year 5 finalists

Hudson – Sam Elliott, Emma Watkins

Jerrard – Emily Whitehead, Oliver Nash

Nicol – Patrick Kirwan, Chi-Yuung Lim

Privett – Lorne Gibson, Nicholas Ng

Year 6 finalists

Hudson – Tom Ross, Bella Barrington-Clark

Jerrard – Loren Dean, Thomas Matthews

Nicol – Patrick Caldwell, Ajay Patel

Privett – Alex Dassow, Amy Stokely

No Parking or stopping in the Bus Stop

Parents are reminded that stopping and parking outside the main entrance at the start of the school day and between 3.15 and 4.45 pm poses a significant risk to the safety of the pupils at the school. We ask that parents refrain from using the bus stop and under no circumstances should park and obstruct the main entrance.

Fete Programme Front Cover Competition

All pupils will bring home today an entry form with full details for this competition. All entries must be back to the Junior School Office by the 27th May.

PGS Beach Clean



Walk along a UK beach and, on average, you'll find 2000 pieces of litter per kilometre. Beach litter is now a problem on a global scale and has major impact on wildlife.

We will be meeting at 9.45am on Sunday 15th May at the public car park on the beach between Gunner Point and the Ferry on Hayling Island, but not in the Ferry Boat Inn pub car park. The pick will begin at 10.00am after we have had a health and safety briefing; clear instructions will also be given on exactly how the 'pick' is to be carried out. The event will be finished by 11.00/11.15 and pupils can be picked up from the car park where they were dropped off.

Remember: a completed consent form must be handed in to Mrs Dean on or before Sunday 13th March. If you have already filled one in, it will cover you for the year.

Mrs C L Dean

Co-ordinator of Year 6 and Geography

Lasallian Developing World Project - Sponsored Walk

The Bayco- Walker family are going to Rwanda on a Lasallian Developing World Project. Together with other volunteers, the Walker family including Sam Bayco-Walker (3J) will be working with local Rwandan builders over three weeks in August to help to build a teachers' accommodation block for a boarding school in Nyanza, Rwanda. The group aims to raise £22,400 to cover the costs of the project and the travelling costs and food for the volunteers. Sam will be taking part in a (section of a) 20 mile sponsored walk on 29th May. If you would like to sponsor him please visit our just giving page www.justgiving.com/Walker-family



HEADTEACHER'S AWARDS

The following Head Teacher's Awards were awarded:

Harry Jones for making very good progress with his writing, **Dominic Chew** for working with great commitment in order to improve the expression in his reading, **Jaden McCoy** for excellent work in maths, **Robert Quinn** for excellent independent research in geography, **Edward James** and **Michael Stylianou** for excellent partitioning of 2 digit numbers in maths, **Emma Hale** for excellent partitioning of numbers to 30 in maths, **Evie McAuley** for an excellent recount of the Royal Wedding, **Jonathan Yang** for an excellent and informative recount of the Royal Wedding, **Victoria Toh** for excellent work in maths, **Ethan Simmonds** for excellent maths work, **Jack Hussey** for excellent progress in English comprehension

ROLL OF HONOUR KS2

The following pupils signed the Honours Book this week:

English: Rebecca Hawdon (x3), Abigail Wood (x2), Archie Bennett, Antonia Phillips, Finley Howe-Walsh, Emily Whitehead, Akaljeet Singhaal, Syed Chowdhury, George Whelan, Will Donworth, Emily Clark, Omar Talaat, Aimon Haba, Verity Glading, Emily Curwood

English Homework: Antonia Phillips, Benjamin Thomas, Dominic Chew, Jack Anson, Tristram Randall, Alexander Gibson, Sasha Wells, Mia Austin, Jack Hussey, Thomas Crundwell, Ethne Leaver, Grace Saunders, Joseph Hopkinson, Claudia Bishop, Tara Bell, Sophie Jennings

Maths: George Whelan (x2), Nicholas Ng (x2), Maxwell Gumm, Mani Noor-Spencer, Harry Davis-Marks, Jack Nisbet, Arthur Fry, Lorne Gibson, Will Donworth, Alexandre Sautreau, Oliver Saunders, Joseph Hopkinson, Alice Robertson, Oliver Thomas, Omar Talaat, Priya Badial, Verity Glading

Mental Maths: Lorne Gibson
Maths Homework: Jozef Wragg
Science: Joe Copsey, Sam Gale, Samara Materna, Alistair Wilson, Oliver Wisbey, Mia Glover
RS: Amy Stokely, Joseph Hopkinson, Joseph Russell, Oliver Thomas, Alice Robertson
Geography: Finley Howe-Walsh, Oliver Saunders
French: Patrick Kirwan, Antonia Phillips
Music: Syed Chowdhury
Reading: Archie Bennett, Abigail Wood, Grace Acklam, Mani Noor-Spencer, Rebecca Hawdon, Milly Henderson, Jack Hussey, Thomas Crundwell, Molly Gibb, Clemmie Gumm
Spelling: Dominic Chew, Jevon Hannah
Dance: Jack Hussey, Thomas Crundwell
A super Newspaper: Emily Clark

KS1 HONOURS

The following pupils signed the Honours Book this week:

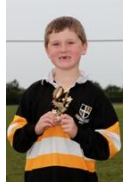
George Buckle, Abi-Mae Budgen, Daniel Perkins, Poppy Titheridge, Evie Baskcomb, Tahir Choudhury, Maria Deter, Arthur Guillo, William Percival, Alexander Stocks, Eve Tanner, Erica Currie, Isabella Devereux, Oliver Evans, Oliver, Fraser-Harris, Lucinda Hawdon, Judith Jellicoe, Mei-Ling Reader, Monty Wingham, Miles Webb, Thomas Lockyer, George Tolcher, Clara Matthews, Amelie Parker, Christian Clark, Douglas Henderson, George Summerskill, Solomon Haba, Theo Roseblade, Adam Robinson, Thomas Moore, Amber Bradley, Evan Cole, Toby Foord, Bella Digby, Chi-Yiing Lim, Joshua Scott, Michael Stylianou, Verity McStay, Avinandan Sengupta, Hannah Millerchip, Omar Chowdhury, James Christensen, Ashwin Elanchcheliyan, Caleb Hillier

PUPILS' ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to:

Ben Jones (3S) who has been awarded his red belt in Judo.

Max Povey (10) who has been presented with the trophy for Under 7s Most Progressed Player of the Year at Portsmouth Junior Rugby Football Club.



George Buckle (RY) who has been awarded Manager's Player of the Year for Under 5s at Denmead Football Club.

Patrick Caldwell (6S) and **Anna Caldwell** (3J) for gaining their Gold belt in Choi Kwang Do and for being promoted to the Black Belt Academy.

Sophia Caldwell (RY) for gaining her Yellow belt in Choi Kwang Do.

Frazer Mackenzie (3P) on being awarded Player's Player of the 2010/11 season and also Coaches Player Runner-Up 2010/11 season at Portsmouth Rugby Club. Also, congratulations to Frazer on finishing Portsmouth Junior RFC Top Try Scorer with 35 tries.

George Downing (4P) who has successfully passed Stage 3 of the RYA Youth Sailing Scheme.

Evie Chapman (1Y) for achieving Level 1 of the ASA National Swim Awards.



Adam Heyes (2M) for being awarded Player of the Year, **Tom Shahrn** (2M) for being awarded

Most Improved Player and **Henry Buckle** (2Y) for being awarded Player with the Best Attitude – all at the Denmead Football Club U7s.

RED BADGE

Congratulations to **Dominic Chew** for gaining his Red Badge.

MENU WEEK 4



Results

Boys' Football

Team	Opposition	Score
U11	Portsmouth Schools Knockout – Final v Wimborne	Match held at Fratton Park Lost 0-3

Girls' Rounders

Team	Opposition	Score
U11A	Twyford	Won 23-16
U11B	Twyford	Won 14-12
U10A	Amesbury	Won 13.5-5
U10B	Amesbury	Won 20.5-7.5

Fixtures

Sat 14 May

U11A, U11B, U10A & U9A Rounders v Ryde at Governors' Green – 1000

Wed 18 May

U11, U10 & U9 Athletics at Westbourne House (a)-1400
U11 & U10 Cricket v Sherbourne House (h)-1430

Thu 19 May

U9A & B Rounders v Amesbury (h)-1430
U9 & U8 Cricket v Sherbourne House (h)-1430

Answerphone System

In the event of uncertainty due to inclement weather please check above sports arrangements using the answerphone system. Please phone the School on Saturday morning from 8.00 a.m. On weekday games days please phone from 1.30 p.m. **The number to ring is 02392 364266.** In **EMERGENCIES ONLY** please ring the following number: **07738 958314**

HILSEA GAMES

There will be games sessions for **KEYSTAGE 2 PUPILS** at Hilsea this Saturday from 0900 to 1000. Saturday morning games are voluntary. There will be cricket for the boys and rounders for the girls.

Sport for All

On Wednesday every Year 6 girl headed off to Hilsea for rounders matches against St Ives. With 9 in each team except one, St Ives willingly lent us one player to complete our teams.

In the sunshine and watched by various parents and friends, all four games got underway. It was wonderful to see the standard of all four matches with evidence of the girls' hard work in lessons being demonstrated in their fantastic fielding in all matches.

The last match to finish was Miss Illiffe's team who battled on for a hard fought victory, the final score of 24-22. The whole team was outstanding, working together to keep calm in a close match.

Mrs Ruth Evans' team also won, working hard to limit the opposition putting the St Ives girls under huge pressure in the field as they tried to match the PGS scoring effort. The star of the team was Emma Priory, who both batted and fielded superbly.



Mrs Dean's 'dream team' continued as they started last week with another win. Their fielding was superb and their team work excellent. Naeve Molho worked tirelessly as bowler constantly putting pressure on St Ives in what proved to be the closest match of the day. Holly White was awarded team colours for her efforts in the field. The final score was 9.5-6.

Mrs Evans' A team won 12.5 to 6 rounders in a match that was dominated by very tight fielding. Both teams were outstanding in their throwing accuracy preventing many scoring opportunities. Finally, PGS managed to create a few more scoring opportunities to allow a comfortable win. Eve Stainton and Lydia Buckeridge were awarded team colours for their efforts on the rounders pitch!

It was wonderful to have every Year 6 girl out on the rounders pitches at Hilsea playing inter school fixtures. This represents, in my mind, the very best of junior school sport. All girls enjoyed the afternoon and they were a credit to the school and their families in their rounders play, team spirit and excellent behaviour.

Mrs A Evans

Parking

We would like to remind all parents to drive and park sensibly around school. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Website

You can view a digital version of *The Lion* on the school website @ www.pgs.org.uk

Photographs

Photographs from a number of Junior School events can be found at <http://rossyoung.co.uk/pgs2010>.

Sainsbury's and Tesco Vouchers

We are collecting *Sainsbury's* and *Tesco* vouchers. Collection boxes are located in the Junior School Office

Quiz Corner

Mrs Budgen's Brain Boggler:

How can you make this string of numbers total 236 without adding any other numbers?

68 + 99 + 18

Answer from last week:

Ted Stin is a Dentist