FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Monday 10 February
09:30 Yr 9 Physics Education Access Day at Rutherford Appleton Laboratories
14:00 Middle School Swimming Gala, Mountbatten Centre
17:00 Yrs 11, 12 & 13 trip to watch Netball Super League, Guildford Sports Park
19:30 Yr 9 German Exchange Parents’ Information Evening, Willis Room

Tuesday 11 February
09:00 Yr 12 Geography Fieldtrip to various places in Portsmouth and Southsea
09:10 Yrs 12 & 13 Spanish Oral Exam Prep with Professor Standish
13:00 Yr 11 Aspirations Meeting, Headmaster’s Study - Smith
13:15 Lunchtime Concert (Singers), Rotunda
14:00 Oxbridge Admissions Conference, DRT
19:00 Community Choir Rehearsal, Rotunda

Wednesday 12 February
Grades Review for Yrs 7-13 and Yr 11 Mock Exams Tutor Time
10:00 Yr 12 English visit to Chawton House Library
13:00 Yr 11 Aspirations Meeting, Headmaster’s Study - Whitcombe
18:00 Yr 13 Parents’ Evening, Bawtree Building

Thursday 13 February
Safer Internet Day
Yr 9 History Trip to National Army Museum, London
Yr 9 History Trip to Ypres (one day)
Yr 9 History Trip to Ypres departs (returns 15.02.14)
08:00 Yr 8 Physics Education Access Day at Rutherford Appleton Laboratories
09:00 Yr 11 Drama trip to see The Woman In Black, Fortune Theatre, London
13:00 Yr 10 NFL trip to St Jude’s Junior School
16:30 Developing E-Safety Skills for Pupils - A Guide for Parents from Years 2 - 13, DRT

Friday 14 February
INSET Day
Yrs 10 & 11 Revision Roadshow, Old Gym

DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD PRESENTATIONS
Last Friday evening we celebrated the inaugural PGS DoE Award Presentation Evening, where we were delighted to welcome Mr Rupert Younger, High Sheriff of Hampshire as our guest of honour. The evening was a fitting celebration of the achievements of our pupils and a chance to hear a little of the enormous range of activities they undertake as part of their award programme. It was wonderful to hear the pride with which students spoke of their achievements.

DEsert STORM
Last week Year 9 pupils took part in the Lockheed Martin Engineering Challenge Day. With the help of a team of eleven engineers from Lockheed Martin, pupils spent the day constructing crane systems to rescue a Merlin helicopter from the desert. They had to solve problems and overcome challenges such as budget constraints, material availability and the lack of time to evolve all their ideas before the day ended. It was a tremendous experience for the pupils.

SAFER INTERNET DAY
On Thursday 13 February at 18:30 in the DRT, we are hosting an event focusing on ‘Developing E-Safety skills for pupils - a guide for parents’. The evening will include presentations and workshops on topics ranging from introducing the internet to younger children to managing your online profile. All parents are welcome to attend, please click here to request tickets from the Senior School Reception.

SCHOOL LETTERS
Eastwood House Charity Day, 6 March
2014 PGS Careers and Gap Year Convention, 27 February
Yr 11 History Revision Classes, March - May 2014
Yr 12 English Trip to Chawton House Library, 12 February
Sixth Form Drama and English Trip to see King Lear, 1 May

BEYOND PGS
Pupils from Years 10 to 13 and their parents are warmly invited to visit our Careers and Gap Year Convention on Thursday 27 February, from 18:00 - 20:00 in the Bawtree Building. This is an invaluable opportunity for pupils and parents to discuss career options with representatives from over 40 professions and 8 gap year organisations. Full details of the evening are included in the MyPGS letter.

SOUTH COAST RUGBY SEVENS
Unfortunately, we have had to cancel the tournament this Sunday. The unrelenting rain has taken its toll on the pitches at Hilsea. Fingers crossed for 2015!

FAREWELL FIFTEEN
Last Saturday the Year 13 boys played their last 15-a-side game for the school, and treated the crowd to some champagne rugby. The current 1st XV has had a fantastic playing record over their seven years at PGS and Saturday was a fitting way for them to sign off.

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