



# NEWSLETTER



## MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD



Dear Parents, Grandparents and Guardians,

Welcome to our final newsletter of the spring term. I never cease to be amazed at how quickly time passes here at Millfield Prep. I said to the pupils in an assembly in early March that the weeks would rush by as there has been so much going on, and that it would be the summer term before we knew it - I should have listened to my own advice as I find myself still trying to catch up with all that has gone on recently!

Even up until the last minute of the term, MPS has continued to motor on at full speed. We've had dodgeball tournaments, the brilliant Edgarley Relays, music exams and the usual array of sporting fixtures over the past few days.

Without a doubt, though, the Spring Concert was the highlight of the week for many of us last night. I said at the time to the hundreds who were lucky enough to watch the concert that we need to remind ourselves sometimes of just what a feat it is to build such an

amazing culture of enjoying singing in a school. Mrs Sturges and her team do an incredible job making music fun for all and last night really demonstrated that. Over 300 pupils (that's approaching two thirds of the school) were involved in one choir or another! From the superb *Blackbird* by Edgarley Voices, the Senior Choir of over 100 pupils, to the fantastic Young Voices choir, featuring our guests from local schools who sang a *Nile Rodgers medley* (and getting the audience showing us their best moves). The passion, the quality and the smiles from those who took part were all outstanding. Well done to everyone who performed; it was a triumph of an evening and Mrs Sturges, Mr Hall and the entire music department should be hugely proud.

I very much enjoyed the Easter Concert, and it was a pleasure to see so many of you there. I mentioned at the end of the concert that our ISI inspection report has just been received and I look forward to publishing that to you all within the next few days. We are extremely proud of the report, and it rounds off what has been another brilliant term.

Have a lovely Easter and I hope that you all manage to get some relaxing family time, wherever you may be.

Yours,  
Dan

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## PICTURE OF THE WEEK

This week's Picture of the Week is this excellent landscape painting by **Luke S.**



## SPRING CONCERT

A fantastic way to end an eventful term! There are more photos from the concert in the pages below...



# MAY FAIR

Families are invited to the May Fair, taking place on Monday 1 May between 12.30-3.15pm. Lessons will take place in the morning and the May Fair will officially start at 12.30pm, with Maypole dancing from the Pre-Prep pupils.

The May Fair will then finish at 3.15pm and pupils will finish school for the day. There will be no clubs or sports after school on Monday 1 May.

Pupils are allowed to be in sports kit.

Pupils will be running their own stalls, and the Parents and Friends Association will be running a number of stalls including a cake stall. Please can you drop off any donations in the dining hall on the morning of the May Fair, and ensure that the products have the ingredients clearly labelled as we are a nut free site.



## EASTER SERVICE

Today's service was a great opportunity for the staff and pupils to reflect on what has been an eventful term. Thank you to those who joined us, we hope you enjoyed the service.



# SPRING CONCERT

On Thursday 30 March, we welcomed parents and friends to the Sports Hall for our much-anticipated Spring Concert. We are so proud of the fact that our pupils have embraced music and singing and, as a result of having over 300 children participating in nine different choirs throughout the school, we decided to make this year's event a choral concert. We were delighted to have three whole year groups taking part. Year 2 sang two songs with energy and enthusiasm and were fantastic in showcasing all the hard work from their music lessons; Year 3 gave a beautiful rendition of *Skye Boat Song* and the Year 6s all played their ukuleles and gave a great performance of *It Could Have Been Me*. In addition to this, we had some incredible performances from our Junior Choir, newly established Music Tour Choir (set to head to Belgium in the summer), Edgarley Voices, Chamber Choir and the 130 strong Senior Choir, who raised the roof with a rousing performance of *Let the River Run* and the effortlessly infectious *Pompeii*. The evening was rounded-off in style by the Young Voices Choir who were joined by the children from our newly implemented Saturday Music Service (aimed at children who attend primary schools in the local area). They gave an uplifting performance of two songs from the amazing Young Voices concert held in Birmingham earlier this term - *Message* and the *Nile Rodgers Disco Medley* - the latter ended with the whole audience on their feet and having a wonderful time as Mr Hall expertly lead them in some incredible dance moves! Seeing just how excited and engaged all the children were during the concert was exceptionally moving and it was clear that they enjoyed their performances every bit as much as the audience! Thanks must go to all the staff who helped make the concert such a success, to parents and friends for supporting the event and to all the pupils for their wonderful performances! To those who were unable to join us, or those who simply want to enjoy the performances again, the concert will be made available on the school YouTube channel and a link will be released on our social media channels soon. Well done again to everyone involved - you can all be hugely proud of yourselves!



There are pupils who have been awarded music cultural colours for this term at Millfield Prep.

## Music Colours

### Full

1. Hugo B
2. Freddie G
3. George H
4. Amber J
5. Enid M
6. Jason S
7. Laurie S
8. Morolayo A
9. Amelia B
10. Lily S
11. Frederick H
12. Megan B

### Half

1. Tumi M
2. Sam X
3. Lucia M
4. Barnaby D
5. Alice S
6. Sofia V
7. Liberty W
8. Charlie L

## MX MUSICAL THEATRE

Congratulations to **Jessica H**, who has been accepted into MX Musical Theatre training academy. MX is an amazing opportunity for experienced young children who love to perform and dream of being on stage. It is a professional musical theatre school run by people who have been there and experienced it themselves. It sounds like an incredibly exciting opportunity and we look forward to hearing about Jessica's future theatrical endeavours! Well done.



## We have a new Saxophone & Clarinet Teacher joining MPS in Summer 2023

Mrs Christine Roberts from the  
Senior School will now be teaching in the  
Prep School, if you would like your son or daughter  
to have a free trial,  
please contact Mrs Kew on [kew.j@millfieldprep.com](mailto:kew.j@millfieldprep.com)

We also have ensemble opportunities with Junior and Senior Wind Bands, weekly

# PARENTS AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

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To celebrate the relaunch of our Parents & Friends Association (P&FA), we would like to extend an invitation to all Prep and Pre-Prep parents to join us on Thursday 27 April at the Shayler Pavilion for drinks and canapes from 6-7:30pm. The evening will give you the chance to meet members of the P&FA Committee and to find out more about our plans to create a broader range of social and professional networking opportunities for parents. Whilst this is not a fundraising event, you will also hear about school fundraisers and the work of the Millfield Foundation (in which the P&FA sits), this year's Giving Day and Brilliance Dinner and their plans to support more life changing transformational bursaries at Millfield.

To register your interest please contact [cook.a@millfieldschool.com](mailto:cook.a@millfieldschool.com)

Kindest regards

Andrew Cook

Head of Alumni & Foundation

Sarah Hughes

Chair of the P&FA

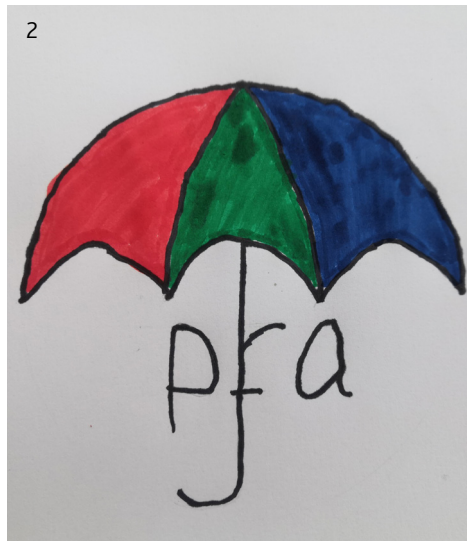
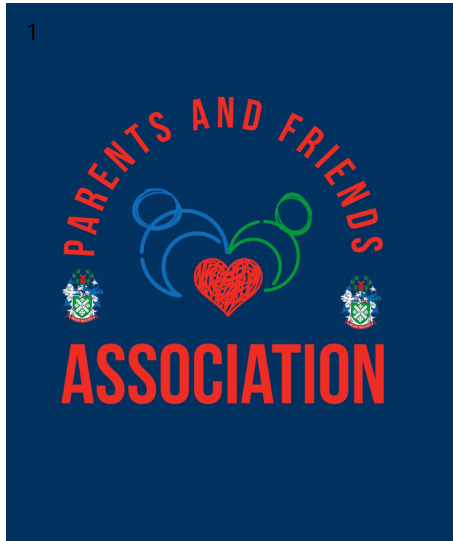
## LOGO COMPETITION

The Parents and Friends Association are also pleased to announce the winners of the Logo Competition:

First place: **Dixie C**

Second place: **Freya W**

Third place: **Jessica H**



## THE OWLET

The latest issue of the Owlet is now available to read! The spring term edition focuses on key skills for literacy, tips for active reading and academic endeavour. Click the Owlet logo in the photo below to access the full version.



# JUNIOR AWARDS

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This week, Miffy, Chota and Oreo have been awarded to worthy winners in the Juniors. Oreo has been awarded to **Ethan J** for his growth mindset which has helped him to achieve so much this term. Chota has been awarded to **Georgina F** for the kindness she displays to all of those she comes across and the extremely patient help she gives to others in knitting club. Miffy has been awarded to **Evelyn D** for showing kindness and care towards both her peers and staff in all she does. Well done to all!



## LINGUISTS OF THE WEEK

This week's Linguists of the week are **Anson T** and **Joy X** for their continuous achievements in Spanish. Between them they speak ten languages!



## UKMT INTERMEDIATE MATHS CHALLENGE

Four Year 8 mathematicians took part in the UKMT Intermediate Maths Challenge earlier in the term. This challenge is aimed at pupils in Years 10 and 11 and encourages mathematical reasoning, precision of thought, fluency in using mathematical techniques and problem solving. They achieved some excellent results with **Joshua S** achieving a Bronze certificate and **Jason S** achieving Silver and Best in School, only three points off reaching the follow-on round. An outstanding achievement!



## WORD OF THE WEEK

Each word will have three potential meanings and the first pupil to email Mrs Crispin ([crispin.g@millfieldschool.com](mailto:crispin.g@millfieldschool.com)) with the correct answer, will win a merit and a small prize.

Latin: **apprehendo**

- 1) I follow
- 2) I take hold of
- 3) I learn



# POSTER COMPETITION

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**Maya S J D C** recently won the Lions Clubs Peace Poster competition for the South West! This year's theme was 'Lead with Compassion' and we are delighted that Maya's design was selected to be the winner.



# POETRY COMPETITION

**Emily W** won a Young Writer's prize for her poem *Up and Down* in the Yeovil Community Arts Association. The judges stated it was "a touching poem that reminds us to face new challenges with the courage to try again."



## Up and Down - a poem by Emily W

Up and down everywhere, twirling through the air.

Tucks, straddles, twists and turns, upside down without a care.

It takes time to learn the moves, it's harder than it looks.

Falling down and getting up, you can't learn this from books.

Training for the competitions, it's what I'm working for.

But sometimes things don't go to plan and I wanted to do more.

Deep breaths you need and bravery to head back to the gym.

It's what you need to do to try next time and maybe I will win!

# EAL PERSONALITY COMPETITION

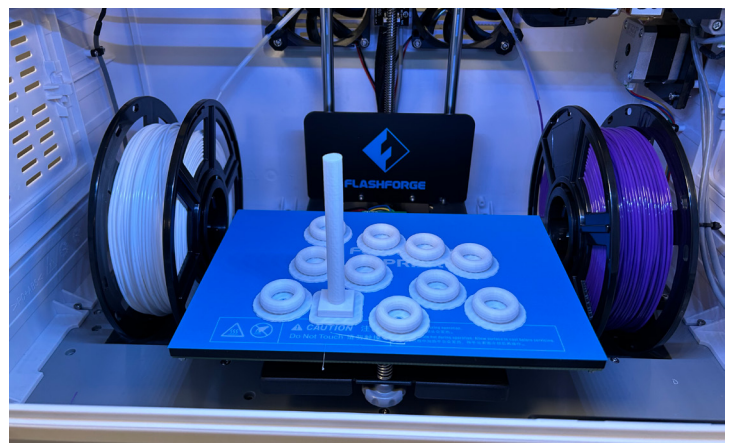
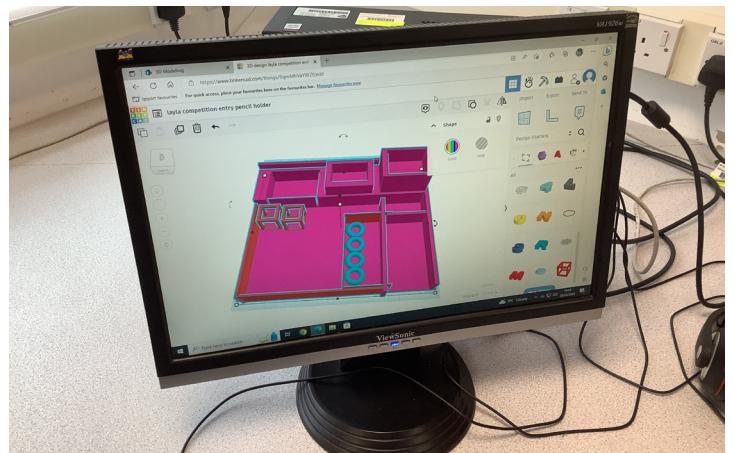
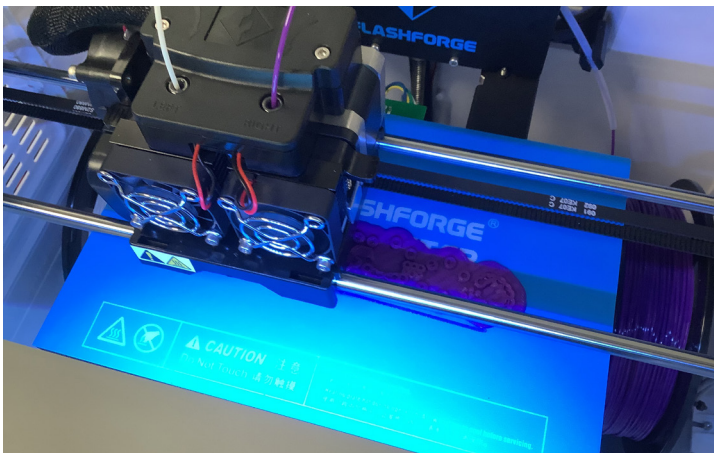
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On Saturday 25 March, the EAL department hosted the EAL Personalities Competition 2023. The morning allowed the opportunity for pupils to perform a 5-minute presentation to their peers about something they are passionate about. Topics ranged from favourite sports and hobbies, including skiing and hunting, to explaining traditions from their own countries and sharing the foods they miss the most whilst studying in England. The competition challenged the pupils to speak confidently and publicly, answer difficult questions, and manage a slideshow presentation. The event was a lovely celebration of all their hard work and really was a testament to all the effort they put into their individual projects. The competition was split between two age groups, Year 6 and 7 in one grouping and Year 8 in another. The finalists from Year 6 and 7 were **Martin F B, Aleksandr G, Henry F, Guillermo N A, Gonzalo M S** and **Angus H** and from Year 8 were **Maxi Nj, Guillermo R M, Jacobo C F, Karnele M** and **Caterina P**. Taking the win for the Year 6 and 7 category was Martin, who gave a detailed presentation titled My Golfing Story. His speech included a history of the sport, fun facts, and his own personal experiences. The judges were impressed with the variety of his presentation and his confidence whilst presenting. The Year 8 competition was won by Karnele, who performed her project entitled Football is More Than That! She explored the complexities of female football players navigating the male-dominated environment and eloquently spoke about her own experiences within the sport, her passion was clear. The deciding factor for Karnele's win was her success in giving detailed answers to the judges questions and expressing her desire for women's football to be awarded the same standards, in terms of pay and popularity, as men's football. The competition was a lovely way to celebrate the end of term and each pupil who performed helped to make the event a success. Everyone who participated should feel immensely proud of themselves.



## ICT

Year 5 have been learning about 3D modelling this term. To end the unit, there was a competition to design something to be used in school, the winners of which would be printed out. We were treated to everything from fidget toys to stationery organisers. The 3D printers have been whizzing away and creations are springing to life!



# POP ART

Year 6 have been creating some Andy Warhol inspired Pop Art during their computing and ICT lessons this week.



## KNITTING CLUB

The knitters continue to show their artistic skills at knitting club!



## HUMANITIES

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Our Year 6 pupils have just completed a humanities unit focussing on the history of mankind. They created and presented museums with various artefacts, showing when various tools and pieces of equipment came into use.



## CHESS CLUB

Following three weeks of intense competition, the chess club members were divided into two. The seeded players fought it out for the Club Champion Easter 2023 trophy. Two hard fought semi-finals saw **Charles N** and **Kaden F** progress against **Kruze F** and **Arthur P** respectively. The eagerly anticipated final saw a dominant Kaden crowned as champion, maintaining his 100% record achieved over 13 competitive matches during March. An amazing achievement.

The unseeded players fought it out for places in the Easter competition. After two eventful semi-finals, **Jacob H** finally overcame **Olga P** to set up a finale with **Henry F**, who beat **Sean W**. The final was a close-run match until Jacob missed an opportunity to take Henry's queen with his bishop, and Henry did not look back from there, going on to win in style.



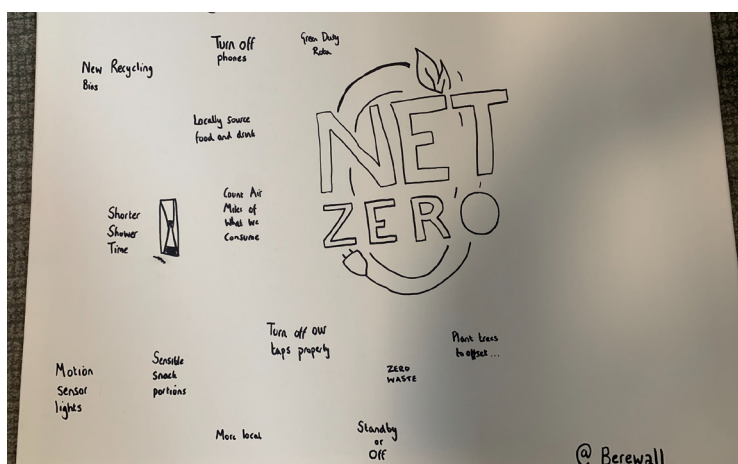
## YEAR 8 MONITORS

If you are in Year 8 and would like to become a Monitor for the summer term, this will be your last opportunity to apply. Please write Miss Sharp a letter or email, explaining why you would make a great Monitor (School, Music or Chapel) and what you would bring to the role. Applications are due by Wednesday 26 April.

# BOARDING LIFE

## BEREWALL

The Berewall boys have raced through the final week of term. Packing, packing and more packing have been the focus of the past few days. Last weekend saw us enjoy a steak night and we celebrated with **Rayaan** on his 13th birthday. The doughnut tower was very spectacular and did not last long! The boys have started to get a taste of the lighter evenings after the clocks changed...roll on summer! When we return after easter, we will all make an effort on thinking about 'Net Zero'. The boys created a poster with some ideas on how we can help in house. Have a very Happy Easter and we look forward to seeing you all soon.



## CHAMPION

As we race towards the end of term, Champion girls enjoyed a very lazy Sunday morning in house. The Chartwells catering van supplied some delicious breakfast snacks up at Chestnut and even the rain didn't deter the hungry girls! Speaking of rain, we held our Easter Egg hunt in what seemed like monsoon conditions. Undeterred, the girls raced around the tree house to find as many chocolate eggs as they could – a maximum of six each and there were still a few left at the end! With the longer evenings, there was still time to splash in puddles. The packing started at the weekend and on Tuesday, we said a fond farewell to Mrs Blair, who starts her maternity leave this week; the girls have been guessing names for the baby and there are some lovely ideas. Wishing all our Champion families a relaxing Easter break.



The final Wednesday of term was a busy night for the boys! They started by sweeping the whole campus in groups to collect any stray kit. It started as a Chestnut mission but quickly became a whole school job. They collected six bin bags of lost property! It took a while to sort it into the correct groups and it has all now been delivered back to the group tutors, boarding houses or lost property. The boys then went on an Easter egg hunt. Sadly, the torrential rain meant we had to do it inside, however, it didn't spoil the fun as they hunted high and low to collect five different numbered eggs. They then exchanged these for an Easter egg. The Easter theme continued with Mini Egg-filled nests and hot cross buns for snacks.



## HOLLIES

The anticipation of Easter and the accompanying holidays has been building this week, kicked-off by the making of Easter egg pop-up cards with a chick inside. After a lazy morning in house and a visit from the breakfast van on Sunday, many of the girls continued the Easter crafts, joined a climbing session or played multi-sports. The day ended with a bingo session for the whole of the boarding community – lucky that Hollies had a practice last week! The Easter Bunny made an early appearance this week and delivered Easter Eggs for the girls, a nice surprise to wake up to! Finally, Happy Birthday to **Hope** and **Vaasvi** who have celebrated their birthdays this week with amazing cakes, pizza and Chinese takeaways. Happy Easter to all of the Hollies girls and their families!





## EDGARLEY MANOR

We made it to the final week of term! I think the boys are ready for the break to recharge and reset. We had a lovely last weekend together, which consisted of a Chinese takeaway, before tuck and a movie. The boys also enjoyed baking (and then eating) Easter biscuits. The tennis net was put up this week, and the boys put it straight to the test. Happy Easter to you all!



# BRILLIANT BOARDERS

## CHESTNUT

Our Brilliant Boarder for this half term is **Albie**. Albie started with us mid-way through the autumn term but has coped with the abrupt start remarkably well. He has shown great resilience when dealing with his homesickness and has fully immersed himself in Millfield Prep life. He has been a fantastic role model and buddy to new flexi/occasional boarders and has warmly welcomed boys who have stayed with us on a taster visit. He is always keen to offer to help and sets an amazing example to others despite his young age.



## HOLLIES

**Katie** has been a Brilliant Boarder in Hollies this term. She is always keen to get involved in activities in house. She is kind and helpful to others and always has a smile to offer. Well done Katie!



## EDGARLEY MANOR



Our Brilliant Boarder for this term is **Gonzalo**! He is positive and helpful around the house and is good company to be around. Gonzalo is working so hard at organising himself and being independent. He pleases our matrons every day with how tidy he keeps his dorm and how nicely his bed is made in the morning. Keep this up Gonzalo!

## BEREWALL

The Berewall Brilliant Boarder for this half term is **Riccardo**. Riccardo has suffered with some homesickness and has found this hard at times. He has grown in confidence and shown us some great resilience, especially when he was poorly. His sense of humour was amazing, considering he was a long way from home! He is constantly reliable with his evening routine and very kind and considerate to his peers. Very much deserved, well done Riccardo!



## CHAMPION

Our Brilliant Boarder for this half term is **Tasha**. Tasha loves helping to put the junior boarders to bed; they tell Mrs L how much they enjoy Tasha's company and their chats in the evening. Tasha is always happy to help and makes a mean cup of tea too! Well done Tasha.



# SPORTING NEWS

## SPORTS COLOURS

Sports colours are awarded each term and are seasonal. Cricket and sailing for example will be awarded in the summer term. It is important to note that colours are only awarded to Year 8 pupils and although performance is an element, other important factors are: dedication, discipline, and behaviour.

### Hockey Colours

#### Full

1. Joshua S
2. Barnaby D
3. Max E
4. Seb G
5. Rupert J
6. Alexander T
7. George L
8. Ethan W-B
9. Ryan M
10. Hugo B
11. Tom B

#### Half

1. Rhodri M
2. Adam S
3. Herbie C
4. Cello J-R
5. Harry J
6. Thomas K
7. Ollie L

### Rugby Full Colours -

1. Daniel C
2. George L
3. Ollie L
4. Jack S
5. Edward W

### Netball Colours

#### Full

1. Morolayo A
2. Megan B
3. Jasmine C
4. Agi C
5. Tumi M
6. Lola S
7. Livi S
8. Vienna T
9. Gracie T

#### Half

1. Eleanor E
2. Nancy M
3. Tilly C

### Football Colours

#### Full

1. Tinashe D
2. Jacobo C F
3. Ethan W-B
4. Rupert J
5. Lola L-F
6. Saskia W
7. Karmele M

#### Half

1. Alex T
2. Daniel C
3. Jacob G
4. Henry M
5. Ben W
6. Dere P
7. Daniel A
8. Tristan A
9. Seb G
10. Maxi N
11. Guille R M
12. Archie W
13. Monty K
14. Ellie D
15. Laura L

### Climbing Full Colours

1. Harry J

### Tennis Full Colours

1. Xavier B
2. Valentina B
3. Ben B
4. Thomas K

### Riding Colours

#### Full

1. Emily G
2. Lola S
3. Livi S
4. Vaasvi K
5. Tommy F G
6. Jasmine C
7. Jack G

#### Half

1. Saskia W
2. Larissa M
3. Soha C
4. Sophie B



Level 3 sports leaders at Millfield hosted a dodgeball festival for the Year 3 and 4 pupils! For part of their course, Millfield students had to organise and run a sporting event. It was great to see the two schools combining for an exciting afternoon of sport.



## HOCKEY

The U11 girls completed a remarkable season at the West Finals. Already County and West IAPS Champions, they played against the county qualifiers from the West of England. Winning the group, the girls defeated Castle Court, Kings Hall and in the final Hereford Cathedral to be crowned champions! All ten girls were superb!



Twelve of the Millfield Prep golfers headed to Weston-super-Mare Golf Club for the Somerset Schools U18 Championships last week. **Alexander L**, **Jack I** and **Tate S-D** were out in the first three groups, all playing solid golf. Jack led the way with a gross 87, finishing one under his handicap with Tate just one shot behind, finishing 11th and 14th respectively in the boy's Nett Championship with Alexander in 33rd. **Zane B**, **Martin F B**, **Oliver H** and **Maria M A** were the next golfers out. Martin and Oliver had some good runs of holes but were caught out in the wind and finished 40th and 36th. Maria played very steadily the whole way until a tricky 17th hole cost her a chance of a top two finish. It was still a good start to the season finishing in 6th in the girl's Nett Championship. Zane had started slowly, but played brilliantly on the back nine holes to shoot 78, finishing 9th in the U18s gross championship and 6th in the Nett Championship. **Max M**, **Jamie M**, **Harriet I** and **Lucia M M** all played some good golf with Jamie securing the best finish of 24th in the Nett Championship. **Georgie P** in Year 5 played some brilliant golf right from the first tee shot and scored an amazing nine under her handicap, to become the Somerset Schools Girls Nett Champion! Well done to all the golfers showing great form before a very busy summer term of events.



## BOULDERING

The team had their final session of the boulder league last week, with The Climbing Academy in Bristol. They have competed in four sessions, climbing 20 routes each time! **Harry J** finished sixth out of over 35 competitors in the Year 7-9 category. Well done! Look out for climbing options on the SOCS sign-up list for next term.



The final Wednesday of the term is the traditional Clive Thomas Memorial Relays. We had thirty teams line-up to take on the challenge of four 1.8km laps of the Manor golf course. The grounds team prepared a perfect course for the runners. It is a testing lap with quite a few slopes to power up. The team from QEGS, who had travelled all the way from Cumbria, were the first team back in the Year 8 boys race. Our Year 6 boys team was first in their race and second overall. Our Year 8 girls teams finished first and second. The Year 7s also won their sections. It was a great end to the cross country season and nice to remember Clive Thomas, who was the previous Head of athletics at Millfield Prep School. Thank you to all the staff who helped the event run smoothly, to the chartwells team for a filling post race snack and to all the parents who have supported through the season. We now move to the track and will start running in smaller, but faster circles!



## TENNIS



Millfield Prep had three pupils who represented their County last Sunday in the U9 County Cup, held at Blackbrook Pavilion, Taunton. Somerset girls finished second to Avon, having defeated Devon 5-1. **Willow S** and **Isabella W** were competing as part of the Somerset team. Isabella, currently in Year 2, was competing up and won her singles match against a more experienced opponent. The boys finished third, but were not outclassed. **Noah F**, currently in Year 3, was competing in the team.



Tennis coach, Julie Sinkins, (second from the left) competed at the World Team Tennis Championships in Turkey. The Great Britain over 50's team won bronze, having defeated Switzerland in the third place play-off. They also beat the No.1 seeds Spain in the quarter-final!

Everyone rode brilliantly and had great fun at the Easter Show Jumping Competition. Well done everyone and have a lovely Easter holidays!

Class 1. Poles 1st **Tabby** on Geoff  
2nd **Rulin** on Mr Cow

Class 2. X poles 1st **Tabby** on Geoff  
2nd **Soha** on Louella

Class 3 70cm 1st **Zoe** on Indie  
2nd **Jack** on Charlie  
3rd **Larissa** on Piper

Class 4 80cm 1st **Jack** on Charlie  
2nd **Hattie** on Elvis  
3rd **Zoe** on Indie  
4th **Vaasvi** on Piper  
5th **Ella** on Cindy

Class 5 90cm 1st **Sarah** on Sonny  
2nd **Ella** on Cindy  
3rd **Hattie** on Elvis



Larissa M on Piper.



Jack G on Charlie.



Everley S-D had another busy, but successful weekend with BD Youth training on Saturday and competition at Mendip plains on Sunday. Everley gained a first and second place in the novice test. Well done!



Prep riders enjoying a Easter egg hunt after the Show Jumping competition!



## Millfield Rugby Sevens

We can now say that the Millfield Rugby Sevens is truly an international tournament, with Dubai College coming along to be part of the U13 tournament. A great day, with teams coming from all over the UK to be part of the tournaments. It was the first year that the U12s played for the Winners Rose Shield with the 3rd Place Shield being up for grabs. The U12s again played good rugby and there is excitement about what the boys can do in the years to come. They went through to the Winners Rose Shield matches, but unfortunately came up just short, losing out to a strong Caldicott team. The U13s played superbly, winning their group matches and getting through to the Winners Group. Here, they continued their good form and played with vigour to end up winning the Frazer Mackenzie Andrew Winners Bowl.

## Rosslyn Park Sevens

The U13s played in their last rugby sevens tournament of the year down in London at the National Schools competition. With the chance to play teams from all over the country, including two Scottish teams, who had dominated for the first two terms. The boys were up for the challenge, continuing to play with ferocious defence, and went on to win all five matches and come out unbeaten at Rosslyn Park.

This means the U13 boys have not lost a match of rugby sevens this term. But the measure of success from the coaches involved has not been the wins, but the massive progress in the way the boys have played. They have been great all term, taken on board the key points, played with intensity and made good decisions on the pitch as a team.



The U13A and U12A both faced Downend School on Wednesday. From individual brilliance and good teamwork to strong challenges, both matches had it all. The U13s just lost 3-2 with the U12s winning 2-1.



The U13B team had a great battle in muddy conditions against a strong Beechen Cliff side. Great leadership from **Guillermo** and **Ollie**, combined with some great saves, saw us hold out a 2-1 win. Millfield managed to play some beautiful football at times, despite the rough conditions, which was amazing to see. Special mention to Guillermo, who put in some strong challenges and distributed the ball brilliantly throughout the game. The boys were outstanding and dug deep together to see out the win.

An enjoyable final match of the term for the U12C team against Beechen Cliff, which was played in a terrific spirit. Everyone made positive contributions to the team performance - **Riccardo** pulled off a string of fine saves and **Kevin** was outstanding in defence. Millfield scored two well-worked goals thanks to **Will** and **Ziggy**, before the visitors eventually ran out 6-2 winners.





## FENCING

Last week, over the course of three days, a group of Year 8 Fencers joined the Senior School Fencing squad at the National Public Schools Fencing Championships. Over the course of the three days (14, 15, 16 March) the pupils competed in the Mount Hayes Age Group alongside Year 9s.

Overall, the Millfield pupils secured second place combined in their age group, with some great individual results. Millfield Fencing won thirteen categories this year, including the overall Public Schools Trophy, for the 10th consecutive year.

A massive well done to all of the pupils involved.

Prep School Results:

2nd Place Boys Mount Hayes Overall -

**Hunter K**

**Jason S**

**Harry W**

**Frederick H**

**Max E**

Boys Mount Hayes Epee -

18th **Hunter K**

72nd **Jason S**

Boys Mount Hayes Foil -

20th **Hunter K**

61st **Max E**

70th **Jason S**

93rd **Frederick H**

Boys Mount Hayes Sabre -

14th **Hunter K**

16th **Jason S**

23rd **Harry W**

31st **Frederick H**



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# NEWSLETTER



## MESSAGE FROM MR JORY



As we come to the end of another busy term, it is with great pride that I can look back at the many achievements and successes of the children, in and out of the classroom. During our celebration assemblies on Friday, we asked the children what they have enjoyed and in the photo below, you can see some of their highlights!

This week has been all about Easter and they have all been busy bunnies; baking, making and creating. The Easter Egg entries were Egg-cellent and Egg-stremely hard to judge. A big thank you to Mr Thornburn for judging the competition. Well done to everyone who entered, you will receive a token for your house team and a special well done to **Hugo, Mimi** and **Hamish**. I am sure you all had fun making them and thank you to all the parents who helped with the creations and for all of the continued support during this term. You can see the entries in the following pages.

Reverend Kitto joined us for a special assembly, where we learnt all about the key days and symbols relating to Easter. Ask your child what symbols they can remember, or what is special about Palm Sunday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday.

On Wednesday, Pre-Prep was full of Easter fun and games, with biscuit decorating, face painting, carrot throwing, egg and spoon racing, decoration making, hot chocolate bunnies and egg hunting. It was a lovely afternoon and it was great that so many families were able to join us and get so involved. Thanks to the catering team for the refreshments.

The Year 2 pupils performed amazingly, singing two songs on Thursday in the Spring Concert - they were so confident to stand up in front of a large audience and sing so beautifully. Thank you to Mr Rowntree!

Finally, thank you to all the staff who have made the spring term so memorable, with so many experiences and opportunities for the children. We look forward to sharing more of your children's learning with you during the summer term. On behalf of all the staff, I would like to wish you an enjoyable Easter break and look forward to hearing about all your adventures when we return on Monday 24 April.

Best wishes,  
Mr Jory



## EASTER PLAY

Reception have enjoyed the story of *We are going on an Easter Egg hunt* so much, that they have created their own version. Click the photo below to watch their full performance!



## EASTER ACTIVITIES

Tadpoles have been busy doing lots of Easter activities this week. The pupils have decorated their Easter cards, made Easter egg sun catchers and some yummy chocolate rice crispy nests. They have also been making the most of the sunshine and have been enjoying water play in the garden.



# MR BUNNY'S CHOCOLATE FACTORY

Last week, the Frogs fell in love with the story *Mr Bunny's Chocolate Factory*. The story is about a greedy bunny who makes the chicken workers work in unreasonable conditions. The chickens revolt and demand better working conditions. In the end, Mr Bunny sees the error of his ways and makes the chocolate factory a better and happier place. The children wanted to turn the role play area into Mr Bunny's Chocolate Factory; so out came the cardboard, paints and scissors! The children have loved acting out the story, being the chickens or Mr Bunny. As chickens, they've been pretending to eat chocolate, stirring the vat of chocolate, wrapping eggs, protesting and searching for Debbie (the missing chicken who fell in the vat of chocolate). Together they have retold the story and had lots of fun!



This week, the Frogs have also enjoyed some Easter-themed baking. They made some shortbread biscuits and decorated them to look like baby spring lambs.



## EASTER BOOKS

This week, Reception have been making Easter books - the children then shared their books with the Frogs. The pupils have been working really hard and are very proud of their creations.



The Reception children have also been doing lots of Easter inspired activities. They have used bunnies, chicks and eggs to help in their maths and phonics lessons and had fun decorating chicks to sit in the Easter tree.



## EASTER FAIR

Thank you to everyone that attended Millfield Pre-Prep's Easter Fair on Wednesday. The children had lots of fun and it was lovely to see them engaging with you in their classrooms.





## STABLE FUN

Pre-Prep pupils had great fun at the stables - everyone had a great time!



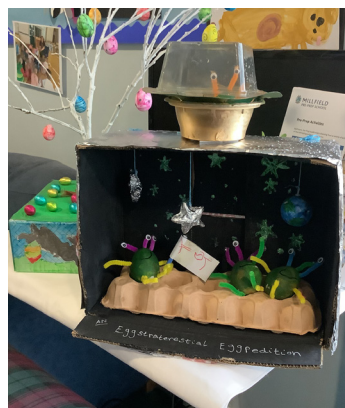
# PALM SUNDAY

In Year 1, pupils have been learning about Palm Sunday, which is a special day before Easter. The children decorated their own palm leaves and told Mr Young what they would do if Jesus came to school. The children then learnt the story and retold it to Reception.

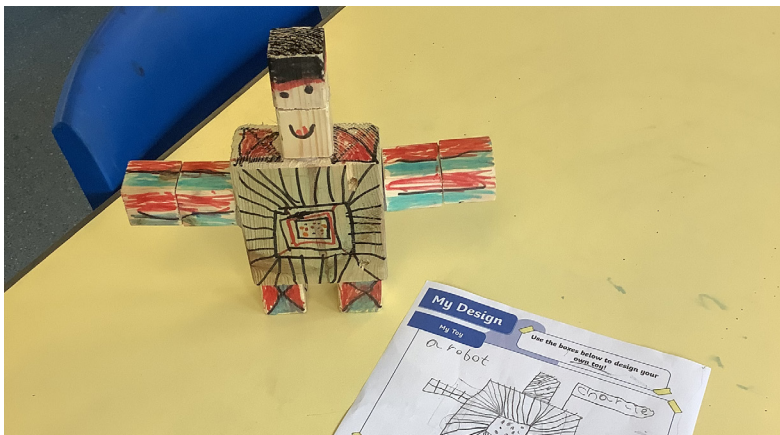
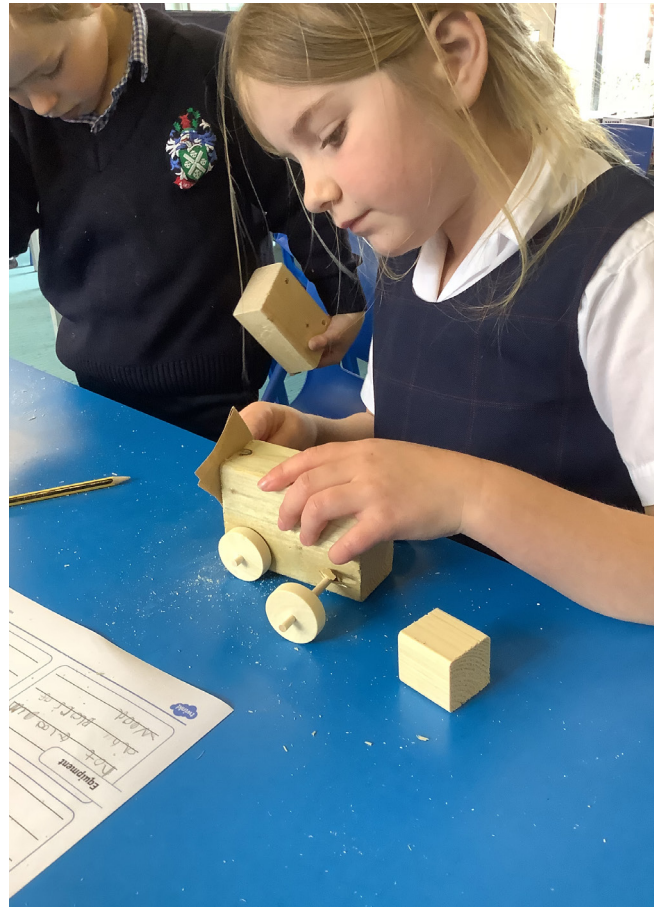
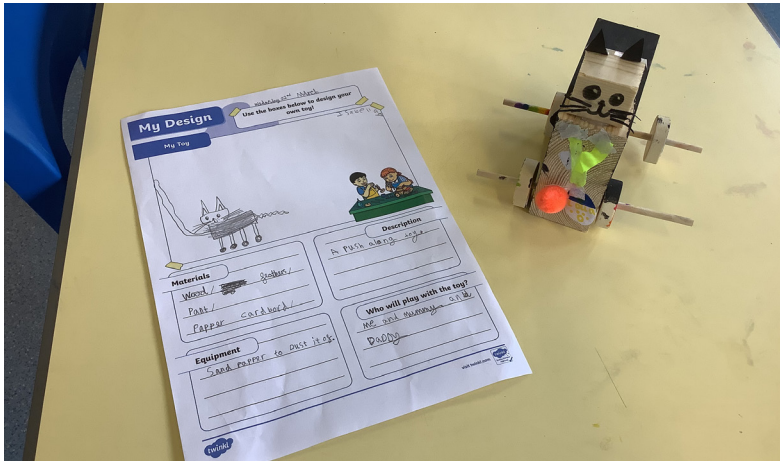


## PRE-PREP

## EASTER EGG ENTRIES



Our topic this term has been all about toys, both old and new. We have discussed the differences between them and how they move and what materials they are made from. The children have designed and made their own wooden toy using a variety of materials and resources.



# MINIS NEWS



## MINIS EASTER

Our Minis had a lovely time in Forest School climbing our rope bridge, reaching for the Easter eggs hanging above it, and going on a spring texture hunt. They particularly enjoyed finding something prickly - ouch! Our Easter chick cards and clay bunnies looked fantastic and we enjoyed rolling our clay round and round to make the tails, and up and down to make the ears. It was certainly very busy making burrows for all our bunnies and scooping up the eggs in our nets at our water play station. Everyone enjoyed hot cross buns on the fire and hopping along to our parachute song. What a wonderful way to end our spring term. Happy Easter Minis!

