



# NEWSLETTER



## MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD



Dear Parents, Grandparents and Guardians,

In the blink of an eye, we have reached half term and I am again left wondering where the time has gone! We have enjoyed a really positive week here at MPS and the added glorious weather has been a great bonus.

This week has seen various Giving Day events and activities which the children and staff have thoroughly enjoyed. Beat The Teacher games proved extremely popular on Monday and Tuesday and it was a particular pleasure to hear that the Year 8 girls smashed the staff in the 5-a-side football on the MUGA – I could hear the cheers from my office! I emailed parents yesterday about the importance of Giving Day in helping to secure the future of transformational bursaries at Millfield. Thank you to those who have given so generously.

Yesterday was a cracking day for the school which started with a marathon celebration Assembly – there were so many things to give out or congratulate the pupils on that we overran by 20 minutes into period 1! The range of successes was truly outstanding. From UK Maths Challenge certificates to music exam results, from Goblin kit car building to a number of national champions and even our girls' senior development cricket team defeating Wales in one of their fixtures – there can surely be few other prep schools in the land where pupils achieve such a breadth of accolades at such high levels of performance. It really was inspiring to be part of.

Last night's superb Summer Concert also reminded us of the musical talent, and the passion for music, that exists here. I mentioned the quality, the diversity and the enjoyment that the performances brought to the audience last night – it was another really powerful example of how lucky I feel to lead a school with such committed pupils and staff who contribute in so many areas. Thank you and well done to all involved.

Well done to all those who took part in our Inter-House Athletics event on the track at Millfield today. By the time you read this I would imagine all the races will have been run and many records broken. I know the children have been reminded that although the desire for good results and podium finishes are natural, personal bests and simply competing to the best of one's ability for a House are even more important. It was great to see many of you there, enjoying the events.

I do hope you and your families enjoy some special time together this half term. As ever, I have encouraged the children to try to get a proper break before the busy and exciting final few weeks of the school year are upon us.

Finally, I wanted to publicly note the contribution of a much-loved member of the MPS and Millfield team who finishes their time with us today. Tom Punchard has been a stalwart of the Grounds and Gardens team for a staggering 25 years. We are blessed with incredible pitches and facilities here at MPS but Tom has been one of the reasons why they always look so immaculate. We will miss him, but we wish him all the best as he takes on a much-deserved Head of Grounds role elsewhere. Thanks again, Tom, for all you have contributed.

Have a lovely half term everyone!

Yours,  
Dan

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## PICTURE OF THE WEEK

This week's Picture of the Week is this fantastic mandala painting by **Matilda R-C** in Year 4.



## PARENT NOTICES

### Book Amnesty

Please could you have a search for any school library books over the half term break and return them to J4 after the holidays. We are in the process of reorganising the Junior library and reading area and need to know how many shelves are needed. The Junior library books will have a coloured sticker on the spine (green, red, light blue, yellow, pink or dark blue) and will have a sticker inside the back cover with a quiz number and other details on it.

# INTER-HOUSE ATHLETICS



# GIVING DAY

Thank you to parents who have donated to Giving Day 2023. If you have been unable to donate thus far, you can still support those children who, without our Foundation, would not be able to have the opportunity of a life-changing Millfield education. Every contribution really does count, to change a young person's life. To make a donation click [here](#).



# GIVING DAY - BEAT THE TEACHER

In the build-up to Giving Day, pupils were challenging the teachers in different activities. Some (very) competitive netball, football and chess matches helped to build excitement for the big day.





# MILLFIELD GIVING DAY

Our dedicated Giving Day website is live and allows anybody connected with Millfield to find out more, spread the word, and donate! Last year Giving Day brought together the whole Millfield community for over 35 hours of fun and exciting challenges raising over £220,000 through your generous donations.

As part of Giving Day, we are proud to announce the launch of our 'Case for Support', a document summarising the department's long-term goals and intentions of preserving the Millfield Mix and discovering brilliance in every child, a copy of which can be found via the Giving Day link below.

Please do visit our [Giving Day website](#)

We look forward to seeing everyone who is attending the Millfield Brilliance Dinner on Friday 26 May, a sold out event.

Thank you for all your continued support.

# WORD OF THE WEEK

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

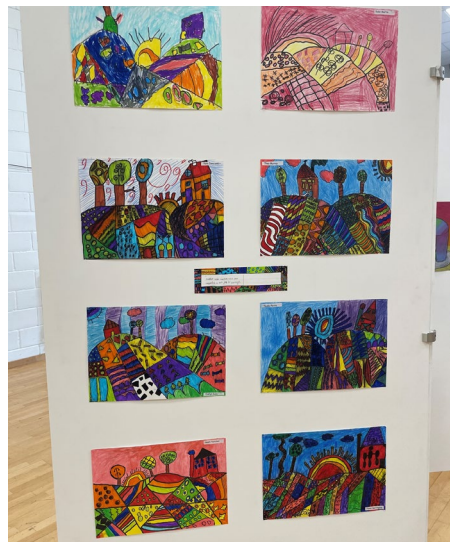
Spanish: **La huerta**

- 1) vegetable garden
- 2) park
- 3) football pitch



# ART EXHIBITION

Last week, Years 3-5 had the opportunity to display some recent art work that they had created. The art was on display for parents, pupils and teachers to see in the assembly hall and it was an opportunity for those in Year 3 to see how they will progress as they move through the Juniors. The event was well attended and the children were proud to be able to show off their work. Well done to all of the pupils who took part.



As part of their current topic of study in humanities, our Year 6 children went on a field trip to a number of villages in our local area to examine how the land is used. They put their maps work, completed in class, into context and enjoyed their morning off-site, working in teams and asking lots of questions about the local environment.

## COMMUNITY CONCERT

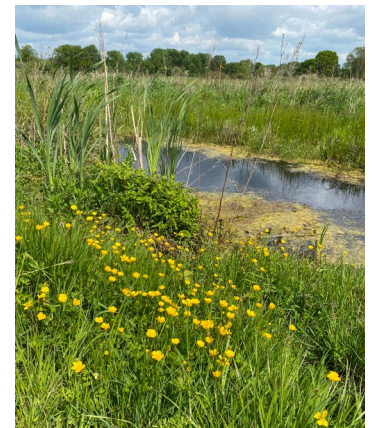
On Tuesday, selected musicians were taken to the Anchor retirement community in Shepton Mallet to put on a concert for the residents. The pupils played absolutely beautifully, and it was clear that everyone hugely enjoyed listening to the wide variety of music. We were treated to delicious cakes and biscuits afterwards and we had a wonderful time chatting to some of the residents. The pupils were a credit to themselves, and the school and they are to be congratulated on their exemplary behaviour. Well done!

**Tom B, Hugo B, Freddie G, Frederick H, Karmele M, Amber J, Enid M, Jason S, Sam X.**



# SHAPWICK NATURE RESERVE

Year 8 pupils have been busy volunteering at Shapwick on a Wednesday afternoon. Recently, we have been asked to set up a survey to help find out about harvest mice, wood mice and voles. Step one was to put stakes into the ground spacing them evenly along the hedgerows. Step two involved learning how to set the humane traps and fill them with straw, seeds and pieces of apple to keep any little creature happy, until it is released back into the wild. Step three will be when volunteers at the nature reserve check the traps early in the morning to see what is living along the hedgerows, weigh each animal, check it's gender and general health before releasing it. The pupils learnt a lot and we are looking forward to receiving an update from the reserve about what they find.



# YEAR 6 CHICKS AND PRE-PREP

Year 6 enjoyed cuddles with the Pre-Prep chicks this morning.



# YEAR 6 CLAY CREATURES

Year 6 had fun in multis on Wednesday afternoon making some clay creatures! Have a look for them if you go down to the woods.



# YEAR 6 READING

6HRP have enjoyed some outdoor reading in Group Tutor time this week. We watched the Moorhen chicks on the pond and tried out lots of spots to find the comfiest bit of the logs!



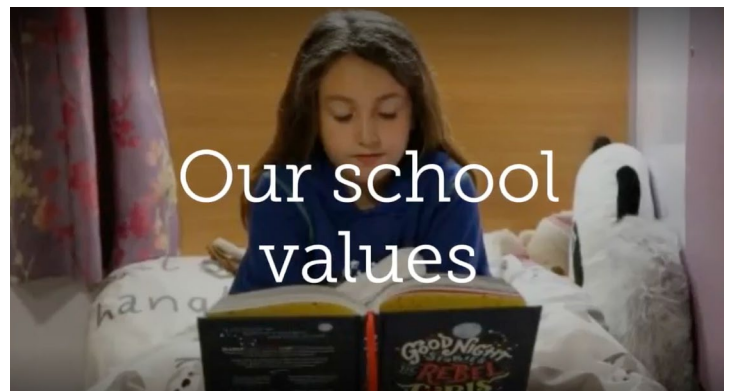


# COMPUTING & ICT

During their weekly Computing & ICT lessons this half term, Year 7 have been developing their presentation graphics skills and have looked at a number of software solutions – PowerPoint, Sway and Adobe Express to name a few. The pupils have discussed what makes a good presentation and what to include, and probably more importantly, what not to include in their finished presentations.

Follow the link below to some examples of work completed by the pupils on the theme of the Millfield Prep School Values, created using Adobe Express.

[CLICK HERE](#)



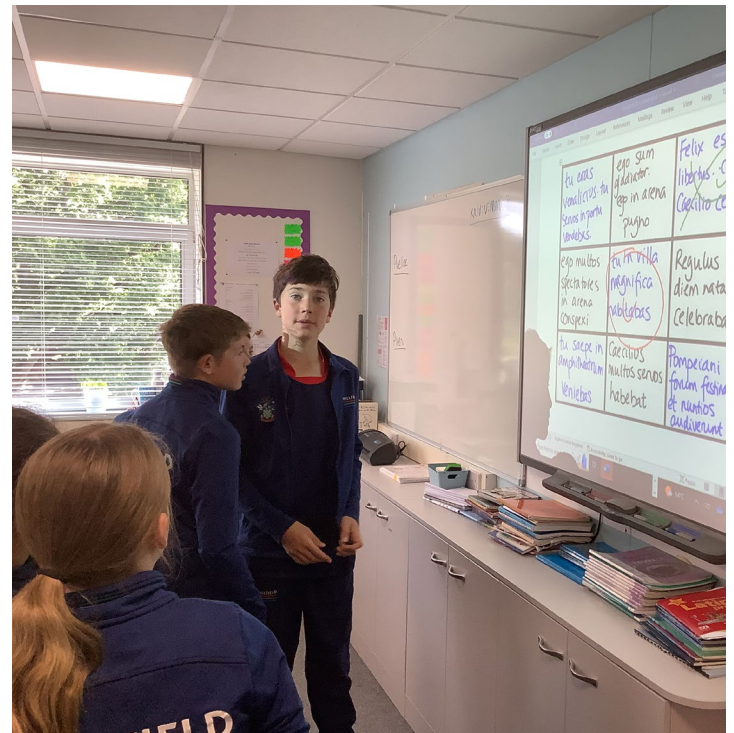
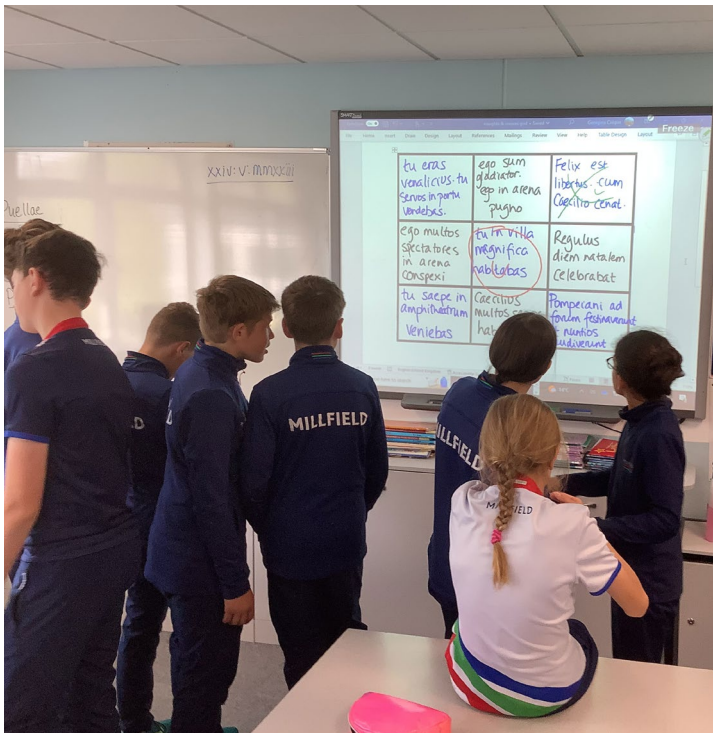
# YEAR 8 MATHS

Year 8s have been studying the topic of 'Speed, Distance, Time' this week and have been calculating their average speed out on the track. They were also able to identify in which distance-interval of their run, they had their greatest average speed. They went on to record and graph their results back in the classroom.



# YEAR 7 LATIN

In their Latin revision lesson Year 7 pupils worked out how to decode sentences in teams to support their preparation for assessments after half term.



# BOARDING LIFE

## EDGARLEY MANOR

We have had a very busy week full of birthdays, which has been fantastic! We have celebrated with pizza, a Chinese takeaway, cake and doughnuts galore! Wishing a happy birthdays to **Monty, Gary and Aleks!** On Saturday the weather was warm, so instead of hot chocolate, the boys came back to make themselves lovely smoothies using all sorts of fruit. The boys had a whale of a time at Dorset Adventure Park on Sunday. They came back buzzing with excitement, and bags full of wet, muddy clothes! We would like to wish all our families a lovely sun-filled half term.



## CHAMPION

The weeks are racing by and we are already approaching half term! This weekend the older Champion girls paid a visit to a local supermarket. Lots of discounts were discovered and the minibus was pretty quiet on the return journey as they munched their way through some of their goodies. Mrs S brought the Pre-Prep chicks down to Champion and the girls adored them! We made sure to count them in afterwards as some of the girls seemed quite keen to acquire a new pet! On Wednesday, **Bella** celebrated her 12th birthday, the singing was loud (very loud) as the girls enjoyed an amazing cake with hidden sweets inside! We hope all our Champion families have a relaxing half term break.



We welcomed **Rose G** in Year 6 for a taster visit.



This week Mr French has started his new career as a Blue Peter presenter. He has been mending the basketball backboard with the help of some of the boys. The school nutritionist popped in to give the boys some helpful tips and advice to make sure the food they eat keeps them healthy and fuels their bodies efficiently. On Wednesday evening our two Heads of House went head-to-head in a Team Luke vs Team Luc baseball game as the sun set behind the Tor.



## BEREWALL

The time is certainly flying by! The Berewall boys have been extremely busy and there does not seem to be enough hours in the day! Last Friday, we celebrated with **Jamie** on his 13th birthday. Jamie treated his friends to pizza and cakes, and in return they treated him to some awesome singing! Birthdays are always a highlight for us to celebrate...the cakes are just a bonus! The half term will give our boys a chance to recharge, ready for one more push. A special mention to **Jason**, who has put in some incredible commitment throughout the last two years, with early mornings and weekend competitions. He achieved a bronze in his latest fencing competition...well done Jason, we are very proud of you!



## HOLLIES

To prepare for Sports, the girls visited the athletics track. Being competitive as ever, they have been giving each other tips and challenges! The weekend visit to the water park was enjoyed by all. A mud run was followed by fun on the inflatable course on the lake. Those left with any energy continued on the slippy slide and created their own pizzas and meringue before a welcome rest watching a film.







# SPORTING NEWS

## CRICKET

This week, the U12 girls' cricket team took on Somerset in a 20/20 match. The girls batted first with Izzy Glyn-Jones, **Emma C** and **Bella L** all hitting over 20 runs each in their innings. Somerset's bowling and fielding was superb, but the girls fought hard to reach 123 runs off their allocated overs. MPS set about defending their total with some tight bowling, but Somerset were edging closer and closer. A superb catch from Emma and some efficient bowling, meant that Somerset fell just short from their 20 overs. A great game, played in good spirits. Well done, girls!



Team huddle for the MPS girls, following their match against the full Welsh U13 National Team. In the first match, the girls restricted the visitors to 59, with **Emelia H** bowling a superb three overs for just two runs. Against a strong bowling side, **Lola L-F** and **Erin D** put on 50 for the first wicket and set-up a very fine victory. In the second game, they were all out in the last over, setting Wales 80 to win. Some powerful batting from Wales saw them win with three overs remaining.

The U13Bs have had two excellent wins this week, scoring 365 runs over two games and taking all 20 wickets. The powerful batting has been led by **George H**, **George L** and **Ryan M**, with excellent bowling and fielding backing up the batsmen. Well done to all involved. Ryan 60 and 25\*, George 49 and George 50\*.



The U11 development squad played Dorset on Saturday. Millfield opened the batting with **Florie** (Captain) and **Hattie**. Florie made 16 of 18 balls, hitting two lovely fours. The girls improved throughout the day, with **Naledi** bowling two overs for nine runs. But **Rahila** was the star of the show, bowling two overs for one run and in her first over bowling a maiden. Special well done to **Tammy** on becoming second top scorer in the Millfield team. 16

Congratulations to our senior development girls cricket team, who have made a brilliant start to the season! Having previously defeated Gloucestershire and Somerset, we hosted Dorset on the main ground in two 15-over games. In the first match, we gifted our visitors more than 60 'extras' with wides, no balls and byes. This left us the daunting prospect of chasing 102. However, an assured opening partnership of 70 runs between **Lola** and **Erin** set a superb platform and **Tilly**, batting number three, hit a quick-fire 20 to achieve an exciting victory with an over remaining. In the second match the girls bowled much straighter, restricting Dorset to 72. They lost four quick wickets before **Eleanor** and **Gracie T** established a winning partnership. Special mention to **Grace F** who added to her two wickets with a remarkable four run outs.

Congratulations to the U11 boys' cricket team who were crowned IAPS champions on Tuesday! Thank you and well done to everyone who was involved in a fantastic day of cricket.



On Thursday, our U11 junior development cricket team played in the IAPS finals at Kings' Taunton. In the group stages, the girls batted superbly, setting imposing targets and taking regular wickets to place top of the group. They then had a very close game against Hazelgrove. Despite losing early wickets, they managed to bat all of their overs and reached a competitive 58. Some excellent bowling and brave fielding restricted Hazelgrove to 48. This effectively meant that the next game was a final against a strong team from Surrey. Batting first, the girls scored exactly 50. Again, the bowling was outstanding and they managed to win by five runs. This meant that the U11 girls and boys are both IAPS regional champions. Congratulations to Mr Beal and all concerned.



## TRAMPOLINING

More images of Millfield Prep pupils at IAPS last week.





**Dotti** and Billy in cross country schooling.



**Soha** having fun with Charlie



Wednesday afternoon multi's riding sessions.



A massive congratulations to **Livi** and **Lola**, who who won at the Devon County show for the BS Somerset team.



**Creston** riding this afternoon - this is his first time on a horse!



**Sass** and Lady.



A win for **Dotti S** and Billy in the 60cm. In the 70cm **Saskia W** and Lady came third. The 80cm winning team was **Saskia W** on Lady, **Jack G** on Charlie and **Sarah H** on Sonny. Individual results were, first **Jack G** on Charlie and second **Sarah H** on Sonny. The 90cm winning team was **Sarah H**, **Tommy FG** and **Vaasvi K**. The 90cm Individual placings were third place **Vaasvi K** on Quin and sixth place **Sarah H** on Sonny. The 1m individual placings were first place **Vaasvi K** on Quin and **Tommy FG**.

Well done to everyone, please check out the equestrain [MPS Instagram](#) for some lovely clips from the day.



## PENTATHLON

On Sunday 14 May, Millfield attended the South West Discover Laser Run at Leweston School. This is a fabulous grassroots event, encouraging children new to the sport to give it a go! I am very proud of the Year 3s and 4s, for most this was their first laser run! We had a great day with lots of effort and smiles, well done!

### Results

#### Year 3 girls

- 2nd **Evelyn D**
- 3rd **Grace S**
- 5th **Isobel R**
- Overall team 1st

#### Year 3 boys

- 1st **Ethan J**
- 2nd **Dylan P**
- 3rd **Teddy P**
- 4th **Zac D**
- 5th **Finn S**
- Overall team 1st

#### Year 4 girls

- 2nd **Willow S**

#### Year 4 boys

- 1st **Rohan D**

#### Year 5 boys

- 3rd **Harry G**

#### Year 6 Girls

- 1st **Elsie S**
- 6th **Ameila Ss**

#### Year 6 boys

- 3rd **Elliott W**
- 4th **Hugh M**

#### Year 7 Girls

- 1st **Lois M**
- 2nd **Emilia H**

**Eva D** 1st in the U15 open category

#### Year 7 Boys

- 1st **Hayden R**
- 4th **Henry M**

#### Year 8 boys

- 1st **Mateo E**
- 2nd **Maxi N**

On Saturday 20 and Sunday 21 May, Millfield hosted the annual IAPS National Fencing Championships.

This year's event boasted over 250 entries throughout the weekend, with prep schools from around the country competing. It was a great weekend of hardwork, triumphs and a fantastic display of teamwork and friendship amongst the Millfield fencers. For many this was their first ever fencing competition. Others took a leading role for the group. A special well done to those that competed across all three disciplines across both days, helping the overall school position. All of the pupils hard work paid off, with Millfield Prep School winning the following:

Overall Winning School 2023  
Winning Girls School 2023

Individual results

U11 Girls Champion at arms  
**Eva D**

U13 Boys Sabre  
3rd **Jason S**  
6th **Harry W**  
9th **Joe T**  
11th **Muhammad I**  
12th **Hunter K**  
15th **Theo T**  
17th **Frederick H**

U13 Girls Sabre  
2nd **Maddie M**  
3rd **Eva D**  
3rd **Doris F**

U11 Boys Sabre  
3rd **Kruze K**  
16th **Elliot L**  
19th **Hugh M**

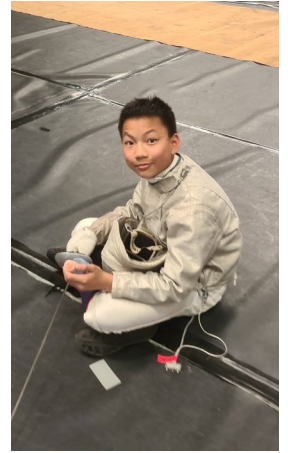
U13 Girls Epee  
5th **Ruby B**  
7th **Iona M**  
8th **Eva D**  
9th **Isabelle P**

U13 Boys Epee  
5th **Gary G**  
6th **Hunter K**  
8th **Alex T**  
10th **Jason S**  
12th **Henry F**  
15th **Sam J**  
16th **Frederick H**  
17th **Muhammad I**  
18th **Matthew L**  
19th **Kevin J**  
20th **Theo T**

U11 Boys Epee  
6th **Kruze F**  
18th **Arther P**  
29th **Hugh M**  
31st **Creston DN**  
32nd **Elliot L**  
33rd **Hamish C**

U13 Boys Foil  
11th **Hunter K**  
12th **Jason S**  
13th **Max E**  
21st **Muhammad I**  
27th **Kevin J**  
31st **Joe T**

U13 Girls Foil  
3rd **Eva D**





The golfers have had a busy and very successful couple of weeks. The IAPS golf tournament was held at Minchinhampton Golf Club with a team of nine pupils all competing individually and in teams of three. The U13s team of **Edward W** (10th individually in U13s), **Oli H** (11th individually in U13s) and **Maria MA** played solidly with the team finishing in 3rd place overall and Maria claiming 3rd place in the Girls Championship. **George W** (5th in U10s), **Tate S-D** (7th in U12s) and **Alexander L** (9th in U12s) all played excellently to finish runners up in the U12 Team Championship. They were only beaten by the other Millfield Prep team of **Martin FB**, **Zane B** and **Jack I**. Martin had one of his best ever rounds shooting one over gross to become the Individual Boys IAPS Champion and also win the U11 age category. Zane played steadily and finished third in the U12s just one shot behind first place. Jack started slowly but showed great character on the back nine holes to finish fifth in the U12s. With three such strong performances this meant Martin, Zane and Jack not only won the U12 Team Championships but were the best team including U13 teams by an amazing 25 shots!

The next event was held at Pyrford Lakes Golf Club where Zane, Martin, Jack, Tate and Alexander were joined by **Jamie M** to play in the ISGA Salver. Zane top scored with an 82 gross and joined forces with Martin scoring 83 to finish in second place in the team championship just one shot behind the winners. Tate played really steady golf scoring 84 and joined forces with Jack to finish in 10th place and Alexander and Jamie both played well to finish in 12th place.

The final event of this half term was held at the beautiful Sunningdale Heath Golf Club where Tate, George and Maria were joined by **Lucia MM**, **Tristan A** and **Hattie I** to play in the Independent Schools Golf Association tournament. There was a lot of good scores with Maria playing the best to finish three under her handicap and finish in first place for the girls event. The pupils played individually and in pairs. Maria was partnered with Lucia and they finished in 17th position on the same score as Hattie and Tristan. George and Tate both played excellent golf to secure a 12th place finish.



**Jack & Hattie** at the Somerset Junior Golf Jamboree at Worlebury. They were a part of the winning team for Burnham & Berrow with best 3 of 4 scores to count. Year 9 **Ffion L** and Lincoln (not Millfield) made up the team.

Jack shot a steady 86 off the whites in difficult scoring conditions with his 34 points coming 5th overall. Hattie shot 96 gross, 43 points, highest individual score of the day, 7 under her handicap, Ffion did not have her best day having to use Hattie's clubs as hers were at school! Lincoln had 33 points to complete the winning team score of 110.

# SWIMMING

Year 2 **Isabella W** won an award for swimming a mile (48 lengths) which is incredible. Isabella was very pleased with her achievement and she is looking forward to joining the Millfield squad in September.



Our sailors travelled down to Portland to compete in the IAPS sailing regatta at the Weymouth and Portland national sailing academy. It was a lovely day, with light but consistent winds, with 35 boats entering the water. All participants did really well, against a strong field of sailors across the country. Our top boat was **Noelle D** and **Ella D**, who placed third.

To see the results, [click this link](#).



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## HOCKEY COURSE

Double Olympic medallist, Susannah Townsend, MBE is excited to be leading a brand-new hockey camp at Millfield! She has an extensive twelve-year career, having represented Great Britain & England 188 times. Susannah's coaching philosophy and values aim to inspire and develop players through innovative and intimate technical pitch sessions, strength & conditioning, nutritional talks and much more. Susannah will be supported by Millfield Hockey coaches along with an accompanying coach. Discover more on the Millfield Enterprises website and book your place now.

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The residential option includes a programme of evening activities, from team building to some down time with a movie night, etc.

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Most meals are served in the dining hall with a range of options to promote a **healthy and balanced diet**. Our fantastic in-house catering team are experienced in catering for different dietary requirements and lifestyle preferences.

The **residential option** includes a programme of evening activities, from team building to some down time with a movie night and more!

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# NEWSLETTER



## MESSAGE FROM MR JORY



As we reach the end of another half term, it always makes me so proud to look back at all of our achievements. Ask your child what has been their highlight this half term? What have they learnt? What has made them feel proud?

As we move into the last half term of this academic year, I hope for warmer sunny days to be filled with more learning opportunities and exciting experiences. Don't forget your sun hats and apply sun cream before school. The final half term is incredibly busy and I am looking forward to welcoming you into Pre-Prep for our Family Fun afternoon, Whole School Production, Sports Day and our Final Celebration Assembly. Keep an eye on the notice board for key dates and times.

Have a lovely and well deserved half term break and I look forward to sharing the last half of the summer term with you and your children.

## KEY DATES

**Thursday 8 June**  
Whole School Trip to Wild Place

**Friday 9 June 5.30 – 6.15pm**  
Year 2 to Year 3 Parents evening

**Friday 16 June 2 – 3.15pm**  
Family Fun afternoon

**House points**  
Jutes will have non-uniform day on Friday 2 June. Pre-Prep only.

### PRE-SCHOOL

## HOUSE TOTALS

ANGLES	DANES	JUTES	SAXONS
79	82	93	84

# GIVING DAY





# MINI BEASTS

The Tadpoles are still showing an interest in mini beasts so we made some spiders this week. We painted cups for the bodies and threaded some pipe cleaners through holes for the legs. They are now proudly displayed on a spider's web in our classroom. We also had a trip to reception class to meet the new baby chicks.



# COOKERY CHALLENGE

Last week the Frogs embarked on a cookery challenge, baking a cheese straw and making it look like a stick insect! As ever the Frogs rose to the challenge. They sliced, rubbed, grated, chilled, rolled and cut out rectangle shapes to make their cheese straws. Once cooked, they used marmite, icing eyes and twiglets; the twiglets were very popular to snack on afterwards! The end results were fantastic and did indeed look like a stick insect. Well done Frogs, we knew you could do it!

We have been learning lots of facts about the stick insects over the past four weeks. This week we sat and shared the facts we have learnt about the stick insects. We have been amazed at the amount of information the Frogs have been able to recall and share. Amazing Frogs, we are really proud!



# HATCHED CHICKS

All of Pre-Prep were so excited to arrive Friday morning to seven perfect little chicks that had hatched overnight. The children have all enjoyed handling, weighing, naming and caring for our little ones. We are hoping they don't grow up too fast and we are still trying to convince Mr Jory that we can keep them. The Reception have been checking their weight and today will find out how much they have grown.



# TRIP TO KILVE BEACH

On Friday Year 1 and Year 2 went on a trip to Kilve beach to extend their learning on their topic, 'I'm Alive!'. The children had a fantastic time in the sun rockpooling and classifying animals. We found some fantastic life in the shallow waters of Kilve and quite a few crabs too! We also did a bit of bird spotting with the binoculars. After lunch we had a rock tower building competition where we measured the height with metre sticks to declare the winning group at the end. Well done to all the children for a very fun and exciting day out.







# MINIS NEWS

## MINIS SWIM

What a fun time we had at the Senior swimming pool last week. The Minis were certainly very busy blowing bubbles, kicking their legs and reaching for the squirty toys! We enjoyed playing by the poolside, walking on the giant wibbly-wobbly floats and singing songs in the water. We challenged ourselves by finding three things that would float and three things that would sink down, down, down to the bottom of the pool. All of our Minis were super proud of their fantastic swimming!

