



# Lancing Prep Hove

A Lancing College Preparatory School

Newsletter

Summer Term | 24 June 2019

## Message from Mrs Keep

It seems extraordinary to me that this is the penultimate newsletter of the year, and we are in the post-exam period of the summer term. As I write these words, there is a mixed group of children from Years 3, 4 & 5 on the astro wearing myriad creations following their balloon modelling workshop. Having already enjoyed film-making workshops, dramatic re-enactments of myths & legends, pavement art on the school paths and various 'wide games', Curriculum Collapse week is well underway for those prep school children not away on residential trips.

Earlier in the week, we were delighted to welcome the cast of *Goodnight Mister Tom*, Lancing College's current 'on tour' production. It is, of course, a tear-jerker of a story and the cast certainly did it justice. To see a fair number of old LPH boys and girls performing was a special treat, and I'm sure a number of the Year 5 children in the audience are already aspiring to follow in their footsteps. The next production at LPH will be our own senior pupils performing in *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. When they return from their trips, the children in Year 6 and above will be back into rehearsals, and will be performing to a packed audience each night.

The Pre-Prep children have been just as busy and you will find out more w inside this newsletter. However, Father's Day is always one of the highlights of the summer term for me. Again this year, I thought their singing was wonderful (to sing unaccompanied in the lower field and to be so easily heard is no mean feat), and to see the children and their dads gathered with a splendid picnic and plenty of space to play was a joy.

The outdoor space at LPH has certainly been put to good use of late. The inaugural Year 3 & 4 camp at the end of last week was great fun, and means that this year every child in the school has been able to participate in a residential trip of some sort. This may have been the first overnight camp, but it certainly won't be the last. As soon as the tents were taken down, the school fete started to go up. With all manner of stalls and a bumper year for those in the stocks, the rain didn't dampen our spirits one bit. My thanks to the PTA and to everyone who helped to make it such a wonderful day.

At the end of the week, the Year 6s will have returned from France, the Year 7s from Dorset and the Year 8s from Wales, and we will hurtle headlong into the final fortnight of term. It seems incredible that there can be any adventures left to be had, but the school calendar shows plenty of events still to come. I will look forward to seeing you at each of them.

## Diary Dates & Notices are on Page 5

*The older Prep children have been on residential trips - more news in our final newsletter of the year but here are some photographs as a taster!*



Year 8 in Wales



Year 7 in Dorset



Year 6 in Normandy



## News Round Up

### Nursery

The children have had fun engaging in various activities connecting to our *Fairy Tales* theme.

They have taken on small roles whilst acting out familiar stories, building their own examples of the Three Little Pigs' houses, made some delicious gingerbread men, which didn't run away, and even grew their own beanstalks.



### Reception

Our topic this term is *How does your garden grow?* and so far we have learnt quite a bit by reading and studying gardening books. The information we gathered enabled us to grow cress heads. Therefore, we decided it would be a great idea to have a greenhouse in our outside area to put these into to get sunlight and warmth... so we built one! We followed some picture instructions, and great teamwork lead to a successfully constructed greenhouse. We know we'll have to give these a spray of water once in a while as the rain can't get inside. We're becoming quite green fingered in Reception.



## News Round Up



### Year 1

Year 1 had a brilliant day out at the beach. The children were such wonderful ambassadors for Lancing Prep Hove, listening carefully to Glyn, our West Pier expert, and being extremely polite to the café owners. The children enjoyed a ride on the carousel and drew some lovely sketches of the Palace Pier. Of course, the main event was the delicious ice cream from Mr Whippy!



### Year 2

The Friday before the school fete the Year 2 classrooms turned into a small business. We had decided to run a lemonade and elderflower cordial stall to help the PTA raise money for our Science garden and with Year 2 all being budding scientists we had 30 very willing helpers on hand.

To start with we had to decide how much we were going to charge for a glass of our homemade drinks. The children decided 50p for children and £1 for adults. Their reasoning being 'adults have jobs' which we couldn't argue with! We then had to decide what sort of coins we were going to need for our float in order to be efficient stall holders. Having just revised 'money' in Maths that week they were able to come up with excellent suggestions. Then we discussed how to make our stall look inviting to attract buyers and volunteers to make signs, sandwich boards, leaflets and stickers came thick and fast. Finally it was time to squeeze the lemons which was probably the most fun and each child took a turn. We had already collected the elderflower from the trees in our grounds and Mrs Shaw effortlessly turned it into cordial at home.

At the end of a very hard working morning we were ready for action and it was such a pleasure to have so much help to set up the stall on the day from the Year 2 children. We certainly have some future business leaders in our midst. All their hard work paid off and we were sold out by 1.30pm having made a profit of £53.80. Well done Year 2!



## News Round Up

### Curriculum Collapse Week

This year's Curriculum Collapse week has been based on the theme *Out of your comfort zone*. With the children in Years 6, 7 & 8 enjoying their residential trips, the younger Prep school children have taken advantage of having a little extra time and space.

In mixed-age teams, the children have worked together on Maths relays, myths & legends in drama, film making, pavement art, STEM spaghetti towers, balloon modelling and the creation of elephants' toothpaste. A House singing competition, judged by Year 2, resulted in a bumper crop of House Points for Stewarts, and on Wednesday all those children who weren't involved in cricket fixtures undertook a Boot Camp.

Seeing the children collaborate, communicate and cooperate across so many different activities has given them all an opportunity to develop some essential soft skills.



## Diary Dates

### Week 9 - Lunch Menu Week 3

#### Monday 24 June

12.00 Year 8 Beach Clean

14.00 Pre-Prep Sports Day

#### Tuesday 25 June

Year 2 'Mission Manners' Reward trip

Year 8 Activities at Lancing College

19.00 Year 8 Performance Evening

- Laurent Hall

#### Wednesday 26 June

Year 8 Big Bang Fair South East Trip

14.00 Inter-House Swimming Gala at Lancing College

14.00 U11 'sixes' tournament at Oakwood (A)

18.00 Year 2 into Year 3 Information Evening

- Laurent Hall

#### Thursday 27 June

Prep School Sports Day

Pre-Prep Summer Outing to Knockhatch

### Week 10 - Lunch Menu Week 1

#### Monday 1 July

17.00 Senior Play rehearsal

#### Tuesday 2 July

09.00 Pre-Prep Transition Morning

09.00 Prep Transition Morning

18.00 *A Mid Summer's Night Dream*

Performance 1 - School Lawns

#### Wednesday 3 July

15.30 Pre-Prep Dance Parents' watching performance

18.00 *A Mid Summer's Night Dream*

Performance 2 - School Lawns

#### Thursday 4 July

14.00 House Reward (water fight and lollies)

#### Friday 5 July

Prize Giving at Lancing College Chapel

12.15 refreshments; 12.45 Chapel doors open

14.00 Term ends

## Term Dates

### Autumn 2019

Tuesday 3 September term starts

Half term from Friday 18 October, usual collection times, restarting on Monday 4 November

Term ends Friday 13 December

### Spring 2020

Tuesday 7 January term starts

Half term from Friday 14 February usual collection times, restarting on Monday 24 February

Term ends Friday 27 March

## Noticeboard



**At The Triangle, Burgess Hill  
Saturday 29 June from 6.30PM-7.30PM**

All family and friends from Nursery to Year 8 are invited to the Lancing Prep Pool Party.

**We have sole use of the Aztec Pool and Outdoor Rapids.**

Tickets £5 per swimmer. Book soon!

 Lancing Prep Hove  
Parent Teachers' Association



Year 8 have done a fabulous job selling our limited edition branded Chilly bottles. There are just 25 left now so don't delay if you wish to purchase one before the end of the summer term.