



Message from Mrs Keep

The past fortnight on return from the half term break has been something of a whirlwind adventure. Last week, we enjoyed the company of an ISI Inspection Team. Many thanks to all the parents and children who filled in the questionnaires, whose primary purpose was to help the inspectors focus on key areas. We cannot comment on the inspection yet, as it may be up to 6 weeks before the report is published, but I think it will come as no surprise that the children stole the show. Their confidence and zest for life came across loud and clear, and I feel very proud of each of them. I would add a thank you to all the parents who chatted to Mr Dunne, our reporting inspector, as he wandered the school on Wednesday afternoon and at drop-off on Thursday morning. He commented on the welcome he received and the friendly nature of the school, whether he was talking to staff, parents or pupils.

Since the inspectors have left, we have enjoyed a far more exciting visitor – the snow. Tuesday was one of the loveliest days I have had in any school, and I would like to thank the whole school community for making the effort to come to school. The children put into practice all manner of resourcefulness for the House snow sculpture competition, which was enormous fun to boot. Special congratulations to Youngs for their Summer Snowman but of course the real aim was for us all to enjoy the snow, and in that way everyone was a winner.

As conditions have got colder, we have hunkered down and managed to run normal school days towards the end of the week. The Years 7 and 8 children have completed their mock exams, and I hope they all get the result they have worked for when their papers are returned next week.

I would like to add special congratulations to our Year 8 pupils who sat for a range of scholarships for Lancing College. Our academic scholarship pupils have all been offered places on the strength of their Common Academic Scholarship exams. The scholarship programme is academically rigorous and requires the children not only to be well-informed, but also to be quick thinking and able to apply all manner of subject knowledge to unseen and often unpredictable questions. To have been offered a place at their Senior School based on these exams is a real accolade, and on behalf of all their teachers I would like to say 'well done'. Very special mention must go to Archie N, Nima Z and Henry O who have been successful in being offered an academic award - an exceptional achievement. Congratulations also to Zoe C (Ken Shearwood award), Oscar S (Peter Robinson Cricket award), Isobel A, Jonah B and George C (Sports scholarships) and Conor L (Headmaster's Award). Please see page 4 for group photograph.

**Diary Dates
are on page 8**

**Please
remember that
LPH is a nut-free
and
nut product-free
school.
Thank you
for your
understanding.**



*Pre-Prep Mothers' Day Tea
will take place at 14.45
Friday 9 March in Laurent Hall*



*Please consider supporting our
Marathonmamas at the Brighton
Marathon. See page 8 for details*



News Round Up



Nursery

The children have done a wonderful job of designing their very own airport, complete with Passport Control, luggage scanners and a 'plane' equipped with inflight televisions, magazines and great onboard service with children acting as flight attendants and pilots. They have gained an understanding of how holidays begin before travelling, packing their own bags, going through Passport Control, eating and socialising before the flight.

They have explored lots of wonderful places to visit around the world. One of the enjoyable places we visited was Africa. The children had a lovely time with the story of *Handa's Surprise*. They enjoyed acting out the characters to the story, learning all about Handa's home land (East Africa), discovering new fruits, which we mostly enjoyed tasting (except for the Guava Fruit, many children weren't too keen on this!) We will continue to 'travel' around the world discovering interesting places to visit and sampling the local cultures, foods and traditions.



Reception Topic: In the Garden

We thought of all the things we could possibly find in a garden, made a list of them and then went off for a walk around the school's garden to see if we could find any. Well, we did find a shed, some flowers, lots of grass and when we lifted up a log there were lots of woodlice and wriggly worms underneath. We ticked these off on our lists as some of the things we had seen.

Unfortunately there were no butterflies or bees to be seen, far too cold for them at the moment we decided.



News Round Up



Year 1 explore Lewes Castle

The children had a fabulous time; they toured the castle, learned lots of facts about how people lived here in the past and participated in classroom workshops, where they explored dinosaur bones. We had lots of fun!

'I love learning about new things' Winnie

'I've never seen fossils before; it was cool!' Charlie



Year 2 Create Miniature Gardens

The children had a lovely afternoon making their own miniature gardens in Science. They were set the challenge of designing a garden which would be interesting to look at up close using a magnifying glass. They were given a variety of materials to use and were incredibly creative with their ideas. They were extremely proud of their final pieces and it was lovely to hear them complimenting each other on their creations.



Year 2 go on a virtual expedition

Freshwater Theatre Company visited Year 2 for a geography workshop called *Crossing Continents and Oceans*. The children went on an expedition, journeying across the five oceans and seven continents and discovering the people, landmarks and cultures of the places they visited. The children had great fun using their imaginations to recreate famous landmarks such as Angel Falls in South America. They huddled together like the penguins in Antarctica and created their very own Northern Lights using ribbons.



News Round Up

Roald Dahl Delight for Year 3

The pupils have been reading Roald Dahl's 'The Twits' and using doing this to carry out some role play and honing of their interview techniques. 'The Twits' have been accused of 'animal cruelty' and 'disturbing the peace' and our police inspectors had to interview the Muggle Wumps, the Roly Poly bird and Mr and Mrs Twit. In the court of law Mr and Mrs Twit were found 'guilty as charged.'



Fortunately the snow didn't stop our trip to the Brighton Theatre Royal to watch 'George's Marvellous Medicine'. The pupils gave it a 5 star review and described it as amusing, fun, clever, full of surprises and ...we were all surprised by how the Grandma was portrayed – different but brilliant!

Congratulations to our Year 8 pupils



Seated (left to right): Henry O (academic exhibition); Nima Z (academic scholarship) and Zoe C (Ken Shearwood award)

Standing (left to right): Oscar S (Peter Robinson cricket award); Isobel A (sports scholarship); Jonah B (sports scholarship); Francesca D and Thomas W (both passed into Lancing College on the strength of CASE papers), George Chapman (sports scholarship) and Conor L (Headmaster's award)

Absent from the photo: Cooper F (passed into Lancing College on the strength of CASE papers) and Archie N (academic and Ken Shearwood award)

News Round Up

'Strictly Dancing at Lancing' Competition

Well done to all the talented dancers who took part in the Junior and Senior competition just before half term. There were an enormous amount of entries and they were all fabulous! The jury comprising Ms Barber, Mr Farley and Mr Clifton had some difficult choices to make, such was the standard of the competition. To cheers and encouragement by spectators all of the candidates rose to the occasion, showing their individual dance performances in a variety of styles from contemporary, tap, cultural to modern jazz.

Feedback for every performance was given to each competitor and the winners and runners-up were as follows:

Senior duo/group:	Gold medals:	Olivia M and Frances G
	Silver medals:	Jessica J and Isobel A
	Bronze medals:	Sacha D and Nellie Y D
Senior solo:	Gold medal:	Frances G
	Silver medals:	Mia T, Sacha D
	Bronze medals:	Isobel A, Jessica J, Zoe C and Francesca D
Junior solo:	Gold medal:	Zak S
	Silver medal:	Lara C
	Bronze medal:	Artemis I

Special commendations to: Daria J, Darcey L and Bethany K
The prize for the dancer with the most potential: Lara C

This is a very exciting time for dance at Lancing Prep at Hove and we now look forward to taking part in the second dance show at the College at 2.30pm on Saturday 28 April.



Charity Election Day

The school turned out in force to put Democracy into action. Every pupil and member of staff were given the opportunity to visit the school polling station and cast their vote for one national charity and one locally based charity that the school will support over the coming year. They chose from a shortlist of 10 charities following suggestions from the whole school community, adults and children alike. Special thanks must go to our school council members who manned the polling station very efficiently and did their utmost to ensure as many people as possible could cast their vote.

We were particularly inspired by the work of St Catherine's Hospice on Election Day, wearing orange clothes and contributing to a cake sale. This was just one example of how a worthy cause was brought to our attention by children in our own community. We are mindful of the good fortune and privileges afforded to us and have shown real community spirit in supporting initiatives such as Children in Need, Sport Relief and Genes for Jeans to name but a few. Whilst our support of these wonderful charity days will continue, the school will also give special attention to arranging events and activities to support our two winning charities; Martlets Hospice and Macmillan Cancer Support. We are looking forward to welcoming representatives from Martlets and Macmillan to the school this term. We will then begin to plan activities that will allow our school community to support their objectives and causes.

Update on Zak and Max's sponsored Lego Brick Challenge to raise funds for St Catherine's hospice:
The total raised by LPH for this cause came to an impressive £920.78. Thanks to everyone who supported this and well done to the boys who put their best foot forward on lego bricks!

Fun in the Snow



For those who prefer to exercise their brain cells (and possibly their patience) rather than spend too much time outdoors, the BBC Radio 4 Maths puzzle today had a suitably wintry theme which Mr Keep challenged his Year 8 class to tackle:

$BEA5T + EA5T = 5NOWY$

The 'Beast from the East' as we know brings us snowy weather. If each letter represents a different digit, the challenge is to discover which digit each letter represents. Given that $S = 5$ there are six different possible answers to this puzzle. Can you find them all?

Today's #PuzzleForToday has been set by Dr Steve Humble, Head of Education, Newcastle University
The answers are to be found on the BBC website [here](#)

Sporting Round Up



U8 Tag rugby team

Congratulations to ...

Isobel A (Year 8) who has successfully trialed for the Sussex Netball team which competes in a regional league against other county representative teams. She will train at Sussex Uni on Wednesday nights. Isobel is already training with the England Satellite Netball academy.

and to ...



George C (Year 8), who amassed an impressive haul of 5 gold, 3 silver and 3 bronze medals at the 2018 Sussex County Championships in February. George swam superbly and set personal best times in 14 of the 16 races he entered. It's no surprise therefore that he finished 1st overall in county for 13 year old boys, taking the "Top Boy"

award, which will be presented to him formally by the Sussex County Amateur Swimming Association in June.

LPH Chess

Toby R and Kit B (both Year 4) and James R (Year 5) took part in the Eastbourne Grand Prix chess competition. In the U11 Minor group, Toby and Kit each won 4 out of 6 games and won their age group prizes. As they achieved the same score, the U10 prize was awarded to Toby. James came third on a tie-break with 4.5 games out of 6 in the U11 Major group and now moves up to the U18 Minor group.

Boys' Hockey Results

Wednesday 7 February		W/D/L
1 st VII	v Handcross Park	D 0-0
2 nd VII	v Handcross Park	L 1-3
3 rd VII	v Handcross Park	D 0-0
Colts A	v Handcross Park	D 1-1
Colts A	v Lancing Prep Worthing	W 5-0
Colts B	v Handcross Park	L 0-1
Colts B	v Lancing Prep Worthing	L 2-3
Colts C	v Handcross Park	D 0-0
Colts C	v Lancing Prep Worthing	D 1-1

Wednesday 21 February		W/D/L
U13A	v Dorset House	L 0-2
U13A	v Lancing Prep Worthing	L 0-1
U13B	v Dorset House	D 0-0
U13B	v Lancing Prep Worthing	L 0-3
U11A	v Dorset House	W 5-0
U11A	v Lancing Prep Worthing	W 1-0
U11B	v Dorset House	L 0-1
U11B	v Lancing Prep Worthing	W 2-0

Girls' Netball Results

Wednesday 7 February		W/D/L
U12	v Brambletye	L 0-22 L 0-10

Wednesday 21 February		W/D/L
U9	v Cumnor House	W 14-0
U8	v Mini matches	L 0-5
	v Cumnor House	L 0-4
	and Brambletye	L 1-4

LPH cheer on the Seagulls!

A brace from Glenn Murray, who put Albion in front with a first-half penalty before adding a second after the break and goals from Anthony Knockaert and Jurgen Locadia saw Albion record a record-breaking top-flight 4-1 win over Swansea City.



Diary Dates

Week 8 - Lunch Menu Week 2

Monday 5 March

National Careers Week
Year 6 OS map exploration quiz
U11/U13 Boys' Hockey Tournament
@ Lancing College
Pre-Prep Parents' appointments
Year 7 Parents' appointments

Tuesday 6 March

Year 6 OS map exploration quiz
Pre-Prep Parents' appointments
Year 7 Parents' appointments

Wednesday 7 March

09.15 School Eucharist at CoGS
Lancing College U11/U13 Cross Country
U8 Tag Rugby v Cumnor House (a)
Rugby v Sompting Abbots
U9 Tag/U13 VIII (h) U10 VII (a)
Netball v Copthorne U13 (a) U10 / U9 / U8 (h)

Thursday 8 March

U9 Rugby v Deepdene (h)
Concours d'art oratoire Years 7/8
@Lancing College
World Book Day (postponed from 1 March)

Friday 9 March

Year 5 Saxon Workshop
14.45 Pre-Prep Mothers' Day Tea
Laurent Hall

Saturday 10 March

U11 fixtures v Lancing Prep Worthing

Sunday 11 March

10.15 Mothering Sunday Eucharist @ CoGS

Week 9 - Lunch Menu Week 3

Monday 12 March

Inter-house Science Quiz week
'Research a Scientist' competition
Sublime Science Day
Year 4 visit to Science Museum
Year 8 Parents' appointments (CE)

Tuesday 13 March

Year 8 Parents' appointments (CE)

Wednesday 14 March

U8 Tag Rugby v Windlesham (a)
Rugby v Shoreham College U13/U11 (a) U12 (h)
U9 Rugby v Brambletye (h)

Thursday 15 March

Year 3 Topic trip to Brighton
Netball v Bede's U13 / U12 / U11 / U10 (a)

Friday 16 March

Open House
Sport Relief

Noticeboard

Marathonmamas

A group of LPH mothers (aka the Mermamas) will be taking part in the Brighton Marathon on Sunday 15 April to raise funds for the Brain Tumour charity. They will be powerwalking the 26.1 miles with one of their Mermama group, who has been through 4 years of intensive treatment for this cancer. She is an inspiration to us all. If you would like to support this cause please visit <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/marathonmamas>

The school will also be holding a Marathon Challenge activity afternoon to raise funds for this charity early in the summer term. More details to follow in due course.

Mrs Keep

Save the Date
Saturday 9 June

A Lancing College Open Morning exclusively for parents and pupils of Lancing's Prep Schools

MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW
LANCINGCOLLEGE.CO.UK

YOUR INCREDIBLE JOURNEY

Notable Dates:

Friday 23 March - Spring Term ends
Tuesday 17 April - Summer Term starts
Half term from Friday 25 May usual collection times, restarting on Monday 4 June
Term ends Friday 6 July - Prize Giving at Lancing College