



Message from Mrs Keep

Welcoming the children back to the Summer Term is always a particular pleasure. As we enter the final term of the year, they are brim-full of confidence and enthusiasm. Children are naturally spontaneous, curious and creative, and the start of this term has given plentiful opportunities for them all to put these attributes to good use. Whether taking a flight on Lancing Airlines, participating in the Parade Workshops last weekend or the upcoming *Celebration of Dance* performance at Lancing College, exploring extraordinary minibeasts with Zoolab, heading off to the Booth or Brighton museum, or to a production put on by the BTEC drama students at BHASVIC, the term is certainly giving the children plentiful opportunities to be creative and curious.

Of course, creativity comes not just from trips and visits, but also in the way we work. Ours is a school full of discussion and activity, and it never ceases to delight me when I walk around the school and hear the children's ideas while they work. Yesterday, two girls who looked around with their parents left feeling disgruntled because they weren't allowed to stay and start immediately. That they had to return to Abu Dhabi wasn't their concern. That they were so inspired by what they had seen was music to my ears.

Even at the top of the school, there is still so much learning that can happen through play. In the Summer Term the days are long. The sun may have given us an early teaser of what we hope is soon to come, but coming to school in daylight and leaving with plenty of the day still left gives the children of every age an opportunity to play. Just as we want the children to have space to play at school, both in their environment and in time, please encourage them to play at home.

The older children all have exams at various points this term, and the Year 8s are now firmly focused on Common Entrance or a final set of Scholarship exams. Whilst they will all need to work towards their exams and their personal goals, a stressed child will never be at their best. We will continue to talk to the children about how to balance their academic studies with their many other commitments, and how to approach exams with a positive mindset. Encouraging a healthy balance between work and play at home will help, and I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

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Sport Relief

We are delighted to report that a magnificent £1,405.86 was raised for Sport Relief, which brings the school's total fund-raising thus far this year to over £5,500. Thanks to everyone who has made this possible.



The class ate our homework!

Zoe and Francesca presented their Year 8 homework task of identifying how the characters in *Animal Farm* by George Orwell linked to those involved in the Russian Revolution. They opted to make a cake with farm animal figures (and Mr Jones, the farmer) sculpted on the top, accompanied by Stalin, Trotsky, Marx and Tsar Nicholas II.

Creative minds at work ... and the cake was delicious too!



News Round Up

Nursery

The children had a lovely morning visiting Lancing College Farm. We learnt all about a day in the working life of a farm and the role of the farmer. 'Jon the Farmer' introduced us to a variety of the animals he looks after at Lancing and told us a lot about them all.

The children were excited to visit the farm and for some it was the first time they had ever seen some of the animals. Our favourite moments were having the opportunity to feed the piglets, stroking the lambs and meeting a very cheeky sheep called 'Maureen', who followed us all around the farm for most of the morning.



Thank you

The children in the Pre-Prep would like to thank the PTA for organising the Easter Eggs for a hunt before the Easter holidays.

The children really enjoyed looking for their paper egg and were very excited to exchange it for chocolate!

Reception

As part of our transport topic Reception 'took' a flight over Brighton.

We made our own passports and boarding passes and met the Flight Attendants at the gate (aka the entrance of RK Classroom) to have our documents checked and to then be shown to our seats on Lancing Airways.

It was a bit of a bumpy take-off but the rest of the flight was smooth with on-flight entertainment and refreshments. We arrived back at Lancing Prep just in time for lunch.



News Round Up



Year 1

We had a stunning start to our topic on minibeasts when Zoolab came to visit us on the first day of term. The ranger, Joe, was very impressed with the questions that the children asked and how brave they were when handling the creepy creatures! Some children (and adults) were cautious, but all managed to touch the creatures and feel their body, skin and 'tickly legs' on their hands; it really was a fun way to familiarise ourselves with minibeasts and begin to think about their features, habitats and even their benefit to our environment.

Our visit to the Booth Museum allowed us to see the huge variety of butterflies from around the world, which gave the children ideas for their art project this half term; the children gave the museum the 'thumbs up'.

The children have been planning their own version of the Julia Donaldson book, *Superworm*, and have applied knowledge they have learned in their science lessons, about the parts of insects, characteristics and the natural habitats of minibeasts.



Mrs Morrison has also been talking to us about our rights and responsibilities during Pre-Prep assemblies. We have thought about how to protect ourselves in the sunshine, how to protect our natural environment and will be continuing by thinking about ways that we can ensure that we help protect the world around us. Thursday 17 May is National Outdoor Learning Day and we plan to make some bug hotels to support the minibeasts in our school environment.



Year 2

We finished our Spring term Geography topic with a fun-filled Mexican Day, which began with food tasting. We were all brave about trying new things, particularly the hot chillies, which ticked off another target in our Cultural Passports. Then there was a 'Day of the Dead' biscuit decorating contest, followed by making our own 'Ojo de Dios' or 'God's Eye'. The central eye is made when a child is born and each year a bit of yarn is added until the child turns five.

The children have started learning about the artist L S Lowry. They created their own seascapes inspired by his work. Using just five colours (red, blue, yellow, black and white) they painted some beautiful pieces which are hanging in the classroom. Next they focused on perspective and painted a background using pale shades and small objects to show distance. These pictures will be worked on to create their own industrial landscapes.



News Round Up

Year 3

As the sunshine decided to put in a minor appearance one Thursday morning, it was a perfect opportunity for Year 3 to take their Maths and reasoning skills outside.

Armed with just paper, pencil and an iPad the children had to complete 10 challenges including measuring the sports track, (with some interesting results!), finding shapes in the environment and finding out if the cricket square is a square.

The children worked brilliantly in their teams and certainly 'thought outside the box' in order to complete the challenges.



UKMT Junior Challenge

A group of Year 7 and 8 able mathematicians took on the UKMT Junior Challenge, an annual mathematical problem-solving competition.

The papers have now been sent off to the Mathematical Association for marking. We shall of course let you know the results as soon as we receive them.

In addition to awarding Gold, Silver and Bronze Certificates they invite around 1,200 of the very highest performers to take part in the Junior Mathematical Olympiad and around 8,000 to take part in the Junior Kangaroo.

Year 4 Art trip to Brighton Museum

Year 4 enjoyed a trip to Brighton Museum to look at the wide array of chairs on display as part of their new chair design topic. They made some fantastic sketches in the museum and had the chance to try out the human chair challenge during their break in the Pavilion Gardens where in groups of four they had to use their bodies to create a chair.

They will now be thinking about designing their own style of chair to make a miniature version in the class room.



Year 5 and 6 Drama trips

Both Year 5 and 6 had the opportunity to go to watch a drama performance at BHASVIC put on for us by their BTEC students.

It was based around Grimm's fairy tales and the children really enjoyed the sixth formers' fresh take on these classic tales.



News Round Up

Ski Trip 2018 - Bormio

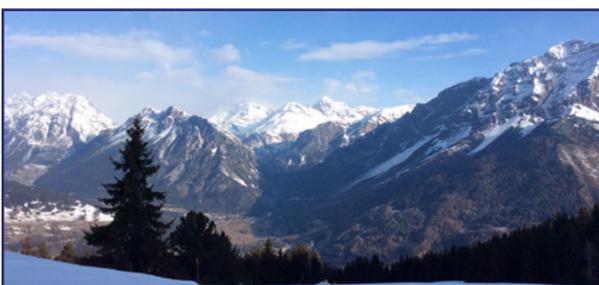
On Saturday 24 March 2018, Lancing Prep Worthing and Hove embarked on their annual ski trip.

We had six fabulous days on the slopes. All the children made incredible progress. We skied as much as we could, with the advanced group managing to go from the very top of the mountain, 3,000m, to the very bottom at 1,200m. The children loved taking part in all the activities, including throwing snowballs at the teachers!



Everyone returned from the trip wishing we could stay for longer and looking forward to our next opportunity to ski. Here are just a selection of photographs.

All photos and videos from the trip are up on the VLE for parents to view.



Sporting Round Up

Boys' Cricket Results

Wednesday 25 April		W/D/L
1 st XI	v Shoreham College	W by 9 wickets
2 nd XI	v Shoreham College	W by 73 runs
Colts A	v Shoreham College	L by 4 runs
U9	v Ashdown House	W by 40 runs

Boys' U13 AEGON Tennis League

Friday 20 April v Bede's		W/L
Singles	Ethan R	W 6 - 1
Singles	Jayden H	W 6 - 2
Singles	Rupert	W 6 - 4
Singles	Henry O	L 2 - 6
Doubles	Henry/Rupert	L 3 - 6

ISGA Junior Schools League

Year 5 golfers Thady W and George G won the first of the five rounds of this competition on Friday 20 April.

Lancing Prep	59
Westbourne A	56
Westbourne B	45
Windlesham A	46
Windlesham B	57



U8 Girls Mini Tennis County Championships

This event took place recently at Bede's and congratulations go to Beatrix A who won FairPlay/sportsmanship award and was presented with a racquet and set of tennis balls. Well done, Beatrix!



Frankie K in Year 7 played really well in her debut for Sussex Hockey in the first county game of season. She played really well. They drew 2-2 with Hampshire and lost 3-0 to a very strong Surrey side. She has been picked again to play Oxfordshire in Banbury.

Diary Dates

Week 3 - Lunch Menu Week 3

Wednesday 2 May

Cricket v St Christopher's
1st XI away at Preston Nomads CC
2nd XI away at Rottingdean CC
Colts A @ Lancing College / U9A / U8A (h)
Rounders v Shoreham College
U13 / U12 / U11 (a)

Friday 4 May

Reception Transport Survey
U13 Boys' Aegon Tennis v Hurstpierpoint (a)

Saturday 5 May

Brighton Festival Children's Parade

Week 4 - Lunch Menu Week 1

Monday 7 May

School closed for Bank Holiday

Tuesday 8 May

Year 1 duckling eggs arrive
Year 2 visit to Bodiam Castle
Rounders v Dorset House U9 (h)
13+ Scholarship Exams

Wednesday 9 May

Gillman & Soames whole school photograph
Cricket v Dorset House
1st XI @ LC / 2nd XI & Colts A (a) / Colts B (h)
Cricket v Ashdown House U9B (h)
Girls' Cricket v Handcross Park U13 (a) / U10 (h)
Rounders v Handcross Park U12 (h) / U9 (a)

Thursday 10 May

Year 4 Maths Challenge at Christ's Hospital

Friday 11 May

U13 Girls' Cricket Tournament @ Bede's

Saturday 12 May

Open Morning

Forthcoming Events

Friday 18 May Comedy Night

Compèred by Brighton's legendary MC, Stephen Grant. Tickets available from Reception



Noticeboard



The Royal Institution Science Lives Here

Tickets for the Royal Institution's popular Summer Schools workshops are available now. These workshops gives children the chance to learn about new and exciting areas of maths, science and engineering in a hands-on and exciting way with other like-minded young people. So whether they're keen on computer science, manic about mathematics, an engineering genius in the making or curious about laboratory chemistry, there's something for everyone. Find out more from:

www.rigb.org/families/summer-schools

PSHE for Parents

Parents in Year 5 to 8 will receive regular notifications about this term's PSHE talks at Lancing College. We have also received a recommendation from a parent about the 'Parenting Teens Workshops' held at St Peter's, Brighton. Find out more from: <https://stpetersbrighton.org/ptw>

10th LAPDOGS Golf 18 April

LAPDOGS was set up to help dads to have the opportunity to meet new faces at school in a fun environment and a record-breaking 19 players from across LPH, LPW and Lancing College enjoyed a great day at the Dyke Golf Club under the baking East Sussex Mediterranean sunshine. Well done to Yasser Abbas (LPH) who heard about the event and took three quick golfing lessons and borrowed some clubs to take part!

Overall individual winner with a stunning 43 points Stableford from a 10 handicap, was Lancing College Director of Sports, Chris Crowe, closely followed by runner-up Adam Lloyd with 40 points. The winning team comprised the three golfing musketeers of Leon White (LPH), Brett Franklin (LPW), and ... Chris Crowe. Other individual prizes were awarded to Richard Goodson for the nearest to the pin on the 8th hole (2 feet!) and the longest drive on the 9th fairway by Luke Howlett.

It was a friendly competitive golfing and social event and over 20 enjoyed a great night at the Lion & Lobster after the golf.

The next LAPDOGS event is being planned for September. Date to be confirmed before the end of the summer term.

The LAPDOGS Committee