

# HEADMASTER'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents

This last week saw the culmination of events that have been long in the planning, with both academic and co-curricular occasions forming significant highlights of the week.

Last night encapsulated much of the hard work that goes in to organising such events, with the music and poetry evening a huge success. Throughout the course of the last few weeks, all the children in Years 3 – 6 have been learning a poem, which they have recited in front of their peers during class time. Year 7 and 8 were asked to write poems with a central theme of the environment, before performing them as well. Thursday night saw the best poems delivered to a captive audience of parents, friends, staff and governors, alongside a selection of music from some of the best musicians within the school.

Wednesday morning brought with it the final Year 3 assembly, where we learnt about Diwali, the Indian festival of light that falls over the duration of half-term. The children of 3M were very accomplished with their performances, enjoying the opportunity to regale their parents with what they had learnt.

Our intrepid F24 team competed at Goodwood last weekend, performing extremely well again, finishing an impressive 6th out of 46 teams. I know the team thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity and are looking forward to the rest of the racing calendar.

Our sports teams have been busy with school matches, although the last week has seen a number of tournaments for our top hockey and rugby teams, with our girls under 11A team losing in the quarter finals of the IAPS tournament and winning the plate at the Culford tournament, while the boys in the Colts A finished second in the Culford tournament.

Today was our open morning, where a large number of families received a snapshot of what life at Town Close is all about. The children who acted as tour guides, as well as those that presented in the Read Hall, were exemplary in all that they did, ensuring that our visitors left in high spirits.

Next week brings with it our STEM week, with the children busy engaging with all manner of internal and external events to inspire them within this academic area. In the meantime, I wish you all a wonderful weekend.

With best wishes

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