

# HEADMASTER'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents

Last Friday saw the School hold its summer open morning, an event that was a huge success. The children took centre stage by touring our visitors around the School, while also entertaining them with a presentation in the Read Hall that demonstrated the wide number of events, activities and opportunities that are available to them in the classroom and beyond. Many of our visitors marvelled at the confidence and poise of the children, something I would wholeheartedly agree with.

Summer exams for Years 5 – 7 have been at the forefront of all that has happened over the last week with the sports hall transformed in to an exam hall. I have been mightily impressed by the way the children have approached their exams and look forward to seeing the results of their hard work both in class and through the obvious revision that they have put in.

Despite the exams taking place, there has still been plenty happening around school. Nursery had a visit from Mrs Warren who spoke to the children about wind turbines and the role that they play in creating electricity while Reception had a follow up visit from Mrs Burrigde to check on the progress of our eggs which are due to hatch very soon.

Year 1 had a visit from Dr Makwana and Mrs Shar who showed the children how to make diva lamps and how to design their own mehndi patterns while Holly Class in Year 2 produced a wonderful assembly to their parents about the differences between the Arctic and Antarctica. We also had a visit from Tina Kirk, a local artist, who did an art workshop with our Year 8 children.

The sporting aspects of school life were reduced during exam week, although it was great to see the success of the boys 1st XI in the County Cup. Equally, it gave us an opportunity to hold the Intermediate House Swimming Gala for Year 5&6, with the children showing great support to one another and their Houses. It was great to see 2 school records broken during the event, well done in particular to Hayden.

This last week also saw Town Close Highly Commended by Muddy Stilettoes in the category of 'Best Sense of School Spirit', a very apt award for all that goes on.

I hope the children in Year 7 and 8 enjoy their trip to Six at the Theatre Royal this evening and good luck to our boys and girls competing in the Orwell Park Cricket tournament tomorrow.

I also look forward to seeing many of you tomorrow evening for the PTA Summer Social as well as on Thursday afternoon from 4pm to celebrate the 90th birthday of the school on the front lawn.

With best wishes

