

Frewen College Newsletter

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Dear Parents

Here we are at the end of another school year.

So much has gone on this year that it would be foolish to try to summarise it all in this article. In fact, if you

be with us before we know it.

So it has been another really successful year for the school, and I would like to thank everyone who has contributed to this.

I know that you will join me in thanking the staff, teaching and non-teaching, who have worked so hard throughout the year. They are critical to the success of the school, and their efforts are much appreciated.

Thanks, too, to the students. Frewen students are amazing, and, although perhaps they don't fully realise it, it is their collective spirit - kind, funny, creative, generous, imaginative - that makes the school such a unique and special place.

Thanks to you, as parents, for trusting your children's education to us, and for working with us through the ups and occasional downs. It has been a pleasure to work with you this year.

Special thanks and good wishes to those staff who are leaving Frewen College this year: Mr Peter Messenger, our Design Technology Technician, who is retiring, and to our Gap Student, Emily Johnston, who is returning to Canada. We wish you all the best for the future.

And finally, to all those students who are leaving Frewen this year, we wish you a successful future and hope that you will remember your time at the school fondly - the friends you have made, the wonderful teachers and other staff who have helped you, and the fun times at Brickwall. I am sure you will.

Have a great summer everyone!

Nick Goodman,

**Principal,
Frewen College**

would like to refresh your memory you would be best advised to read back through the previous five newsletters - and of course this one, which will include all the end of summer term traditions such as concerts and performances, sports day, and activities.



Senior School Summer Concert



Sports Day

I should add to this our news that we passed our first Independent Schools Inspectorate (ISI) inspection with flying colours, and can now start planning for our next full inspection in Summer 2022, which sounds like the distant future, but will

PREP NEWS by Sally Welch

Summer Concert

Pupils enjoyed showing off their talents in their summer concert last week. With songs, poetry and prose themed around their creative topics, friends and families were treated to a mix of contemporary and traditional performances. A favourite was 'Run Rabbit' performed by our Prep School Choir linking with our WW2 theme. Seaside jokes were told by our younger pupils and a wonderful solo, performed by Isobel, also along the seaside theme, were greatly enjoyed. Year 6 pupils shared their songs from their recent activity week at Windmill Hill PGL Centre. These motivational songs amused us all and pupils sang with such gusto that we all felt the buzz of their experiences bouncing around the Auditorium! The evening ended with our individual instrumentalists coming together to perform an ensemble piece with the choir ably assisting them. A wonderful evening's entertainment!



Open Day

Prep pupils enjoyed a fantastic afternoon of activities, when parents kindly organised a small fete as the backdrop for parents to have the chance for guided tour of the school given to them by their own child. Work was shared, raffle tickets were purchased, the sun shone (eventually) and a great time was had by all. All



money raised will be reinvested for the next open afternoon where further large inflatables and other treats will be purchased for the pupils.

Prep Camp

This year's Prep School Camp was themed around Tribal Survival. Teams of pupils created their own tribal symbols, painted their faces and headed off into the park with their flags in hand. The mission was to create their own tribal den, before playing invasion games in which they had to try and capture the flag from the other tribes. Our older pupils stayed the night under canvas and we all enjoyed roasting marshmallows and singing songs around the camp fire.

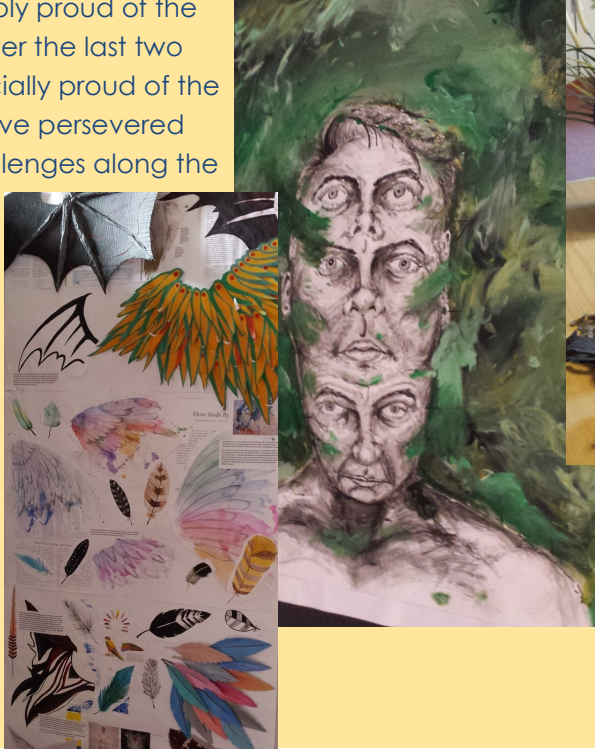
A busy term for everyone but highly successful. Now it is time for pupils to relax and recharge their batteries. See you in September.



SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Arts Faculty Art by Duncan Sangster

The Art GCSE exhibition is officially open for this year! I'm incredibly proud of the students work over the last two years and especially proud of the students who have persevered with various challenges along the way. As always the range of work was very diverse and commented on favourably by the moderator, who visited last week. There are examples of drawing, painting,



ceramics, sculpture, architecture, film, photography and graphic design, demonstrating the students differing interests and skills.



Also on display in the front reception is the Year 7 piece 'Surmount', that was part of the Towner Gallery 'Draw Me In' Exhibition. Again, I was incredibly proud of the students abstract imagination and the way in which they generated this outcome as a group.

Well done to the Year 7s, Year 11s and all the students involved in creating something personal and insightful this academic year.

Arts Faculty Drama by Claire Jackson

Summer Concert

The sun finally shone after 10 days of grey miserable rain and created the perfect effect we needed for our talented student's musical performances and Pinocchio drama production. Lines had been learnt with a massive effort from parents as well as students. I noticed a few parents mumbling the words as their offspring leapt around the courtyard cherry tree. A big thank you must go to all those who supported the students with this immense task and those who made wonderful costumes (Seth's delightful snail!). Another thank you goes to our hard working and very professional backstage crew who kept us all on our toes. A special mention must go to Benjamin who ran the sound with a cool smooth efficiency that now places him as our 'go-to' sound engineer.

And finally, of course, a massive thanks to all the

students who gave up their lunch times, other clubs and probably endured a few sleepless nights to make this a memorable afternoon. You really are amazing. Thank you all and well done.



SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Arts Faculty continued...DT by Rebecca Forbes-Gower

Year 7 Fairtrade Chocolate Mould Project



The Year 7s designed moulds for making a new Fairtrade Chocolate for young people.

They used the CNC machine to make their designs. They focused on the Social, Environmental and Moral aspects of the curriculum and learnt that with Fairtrade products social conditions for workers improve and that Fairtrade premiums are used to help local communities.

Understanding the Social, Moral and Environmental impacts of designing and manufacturing is an important issue for us all, and will help them build a knowledge base for their GCSE's later!

Testing and Evaluating

The year 7s built upon their first vacuum forming experience and learnt about the more technical aspects such as using draft angles for the base. They then tested their work by making chocolates. Testing and evaluating their products helps the students to learn if their work needs further refining and is an important part of the manufacturing process.



SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS

English by Neil Stanley

All Change! All Change! It's all change in the English Department this year, as we review our curriculum. Teachers have thought about which topics are popular, which are successful and which need to be replaced. We have listened to colleagues, students and parents to come up with units of work that provide stretch, challenge, support and inspiration.

In particular, the Key Stage Four will be re-written, to include a more appropriate balance between fiction and non-fiction topics, and to include a greater amount of creative writing.

We are also looking to include a greater number of trips and visits. Year 9 student, Reggie Sainsbury said, "I like the way our teachers have asked us what we like and what we don't like."

His classmate, Amari, said, "I just want more opportunities to read stories!"

Details of the new units are currently being finalised and will be unveiled in September.

Head of English, Mr Stanley, was unavailable for comment.

Science by Scott Wassel

The final update from the Science department before the summer holidays.

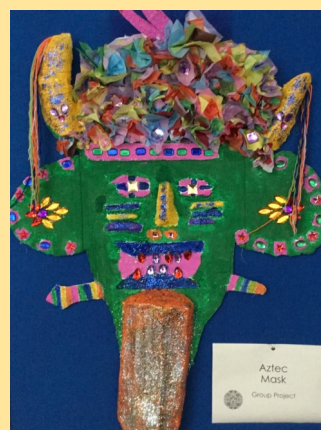
We have been keeping all the year groups busy as we approach the end of the academic year. Despite the waning attention spans we still have loads to pack in. A special mention to the Year 11s who held everything together during their exam period. As a department we were proud of how they performed, and we hope they get the grades they need for next year.

We also had our first look at next year's Year 7 as the prep school came over for their taster days. We showed them that a jelly baby screams louder than a celery. They then got to grips with the Bunsen Burners as they looked at energy values in different foodstuffs -they burned mini cheddars.

Lastly, we would like to wish all the pupils and staff a restful and sunny holiday, and we look forward to seeing everyone again in September.

Activities Week 24-28th June

During the penultimate week of term, Senior School students took part in Activities Week. The week started on Monday with a trip to the British Museum in London and was then followed up by encouraging students to respond to what they had seen in a variety of different ways. Activities included Aztec masks; Manga cartoons, Saxon cooking and metal work; Protest Postcards; Op Art and Ancient Egypt. As well as a trip swimming and finishing with rounders on Friday afternoon.



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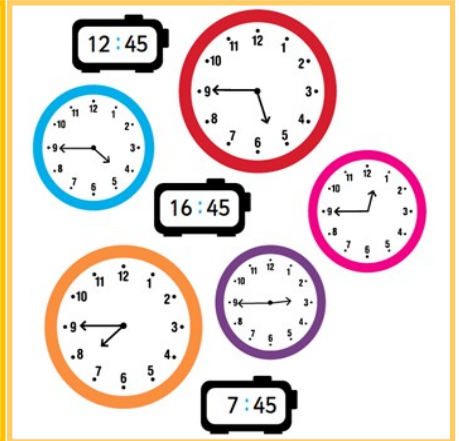
Maths by Graeme Rawlings

MATHS ZONE

MATHS



**Time isn't the
main thing.
It's the only
thing!
Miles Davis**



Being able to tell the time is important

It helps you to organize your day, catch a train, bus, or plane on time, make it to an important get-together and answer questions in exams! Over the summer break it would be very useful to your child, if they brushed up on their TIME skills. They may master every, or just one Learning Stage below but whatever they do, it will benefit them.

Stage 1 • Recognise and name the fractions $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{1}{4}$

- Tell the time to the hour, and half past, using an analogue clock
- Sequence events in chronological order
 - Know the days of the week
 - Know the meaning of 'weeks',

Stage 2 • Tell the time to the nearest five minutes using an analogue clock, including 'quarter past' and 'quarter to'.

- Know that 60 minutes = 1 hour
- Know that 24 hours = 1 day

Stage 3 • Tell the time using analogue and digital 12-hour clocks

- Know the number days in a year and a leap year
- Know that 60 seconds = 1 minute

Stage 4 • Know time facts involving years, months, weeks, days, hours, minutes and seconds

- Know 12- and 24-hour clock conversions



SIXTH FORM by Hazel Lawrence

This term we say 'goodbye' to a number of our Sixth Form students, some who have been here a short while and others who have been here much longer.

Charlie B – full time employment

Lucy – attending Hadlow College to study Animal Husbandry

Rosie – Bath Spa university to study Psychology

Charlie G – continuing his studies in Media at his local college

Laura – Continuing her studies in Child Care at Kingston College

Will – Gap Year – starting an Internship in Ethiopia in August

Josh – attending Military Preparation College

Tristan – University of Leicester to study Politics and International Relations

We wish them every success with their next steps.



Also,

Congratulations to Grace, who gained a place at Goldsmiths college for a summer art course.



And, Congratulations to Bea, who has just won an essay writing competition judged by the University of Sussex.

GAMES AND SPORT By Jo Hambleton

Prep School Football Success

This year was the first year we took a Prep team to the Brighton and Hove Albion tournaments. It was a new experience for many of our students. Many had never played matches against other schools. The students embraced the day and were fantastic at listening and developing skills. They grew in confidence in every game and we scored lots of goals. We successfully made it through to the final and it was nail-biting, but we eventually won 1-0 against St Pauls School who were last year's winners.

We hope to be able to return to defend our title next year, but well done, what a debut for the Prep School Team!



Bronze DofE Assessed

Well done to the Year 10s who took part in the Assessed weekend for the Bronze Award just before the end of term.

They successfully navigated a walking route of 26km over 2 days. We were blessed with glorious weather which made for a pleasant 2 days around Appledore, Iden and Wittersham. Each member of the group had to take turns navigating using maps and compasses. There was a marked improvement from the practice to the assessed. They showed good resilience and team work.

This completes the expedition element of the Bronze Award. Students now need to complete their Skill, Volunteering and Physical to complete the full award.

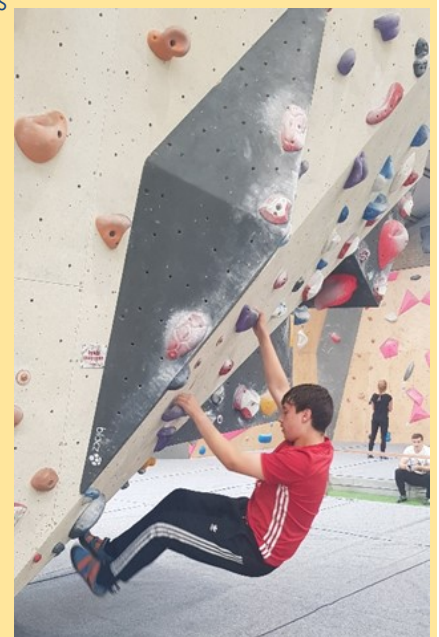
Year 9 Camp



After having to modify Year 9 Camp to just Friday, due to very heavy rain. We arrived bright and early to Chimera Climbing Centre ready to take part in a 2-hour climbing session. After a nice warm up and being taught the basics, the students were quickly up and climbing the many routes on offer. Student had to challenge themselves and managed their own risk on all the walls. I was so impressed with the team work and encouragement each of the students showed throughout and the progress made from each student was remarkable.

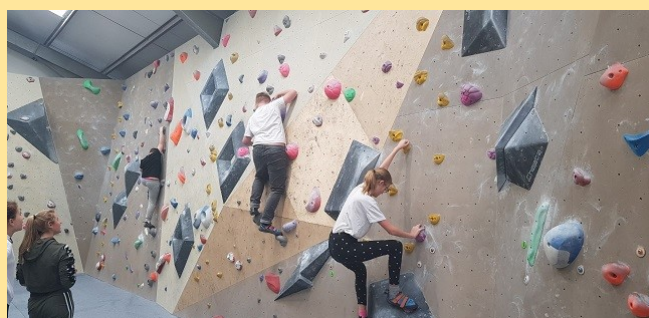
After climbing we stopped for a quick ice cream before starting our afternoon of navigation skills. Student learnt how to do 4 figure grid reference, identify landmarks and symbols on OS maps and finally planning a route. We then split into 3 groups and enjoyed a long walk around Northiam.

A brilliant day with lots of new experiences which the students embraced. Well done.



GAMES AND SPORT continued..

By Jo Hambleton



Year 9 Camp , climbing and orienteering

Sports Day

On Friday 21st we took part in an afternoon of sports. It was a fantastic atmosphere and helped by some glorious weather. During the afternoon students participated in a variety of track and field events such as Long Jump, Football Shoot Out and 100m race. We were also joined by the Prep School who did fantastically well in the events they did.

Staff and Student embraced the day and fought it out to claim the overall sports day trophy.

The results are in and the winning house was Bancroft, well done everyone!!



Thank you to all those staff who helped make



Sports Day happen, especially our Estates Team for setting up the site.

Isle of Wight– Kingswood end of year trip

It was an action packed week with a 3G Swing,



Zip Wire, Pool party, Fencing and so many more, and I am so proud of all our students who bravely tried these challenging experiences and

made some life-long memories.



BOARDING NEWS By Sarah Medcraft



The summer term is usually a mix of long sunny days and warm evenings, although we are still waiting for these! Nevertheless, we have managed to fit in a wide range of outdoor activities and BBQ's.

Weekend activities this term have been as varied as the weather. We have eluded the wind and rain catching the latest instalment of X-Men, attempted an escape from a submarine (in an escape room on dry land!), turned our hands to paddle boarding when the sun was shining and are looking forward to finishing off the year with a 'Mad Hatters Tea Party' at Bewl Water.

We will be saying goodbye to Emily, our Canadian Gap Assistant, but not before we celebrate Canada Day with her! Emily has been with us since January. She has made a positive impact in the house and we wish her all the best for her future. We hope that her Frewen experience has been a rewarding one.

There will be more sad goodbyes as our older students finish school and begin their new adventures. Many of these students have been with us for several years, and we will miss their

contribution to boarding. We wish them all the very best and hope that the skills they have learned here, will enable them to follow their dreams and ambitions as they move on.

Looking ahead, Mr Harry Orr will be joining us in



September as our first Graduate Assistant. Having been a boarder and Gap Assistant himself, as well as completing his training in PE, we have no doubt he will be a very positive addition to the team.

Last year we held our first boarding Meet and Greet event. Many parents commented on how positive it was to meet all the boarding staff, and given the success of this, we would like to invite you to join us on 4th September at 6.30pm. The boarding houses will then open at 7pm.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

