



Purbrook Park School Purbrook Park Newsletter



Week commencing Monday 1st June 2026
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1. Notes from the Headteacher

Well done to all our brilliant football players at Purbrook Park – please see our PE bulletin below.

To quote Marcus Rashford,

“For me, sometimes it's more important to perform well in training and know that I am improving rather than scoring in a game. It's doing the hard work, day in, day out.”

With best wishes to everyone for the half term break,

Paul Foxley

2. Calendar

Date	Event
Monday 01.06.26	Year 7 & 8 tests in class this week Year 9 Biology Exam (AM) Religious Studies GCSE Exam (PM) Staff Briefing – 3.10pm – 3.20pm Year Meetings – 3.20pm – 4.20pm
Tuesday 02.06.26	Physics (AM) GCSE Exam Year 9 History Exam (PM) Lead Teacher Meeting – 3.10pm – 4.10pm
Wednesday 03.06.26	A-Level Sociology Exam (AM) Maths (AM) & Geography (PM) GCSE Exams Year 10 Oaklands Sixth Form College Visit/Taster Day – 9.00am – 2.30pm
Thursday 04.06.26	History (AM) & French Reading (PM) GCSE Exams Year 9 Progress Evening – 4.00pm – 8.00pm
Friday 05.06.26	English Language (AM) GCSE Exam Year 9 Chemistry Exam (PM)

3. Messages

Science – Celebrating Success	<p><u>Sparx</u> The top three Science Sparx users in each year group for the week beginning 11th May 2026:</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Year Group</th> <th>1st Position</th> <th>2nd Position</th> <th>3rd Position</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">7</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Mylah (LBR)</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Joshua (LWA)</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Chloe (LWA)</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">8</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Mia (JHE)</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Ollie (CBR)</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Jake (RJA)</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">9</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Tilly (NSD)</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Rosie (AKO)</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Henry (AKO)</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">10</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Mohammed (MBR)</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Scarlett (IPU)</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Keenan (TGO)</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">11</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Thomas (LMI)</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Tom (LGU)</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Toby (NMI)</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Each of the above have been awarded 25 Praise Points. This academic year pupils have correctly answered 461,385 questions on Sparx Science!</p> <p><u>Scientists of the Week</u> The following pupils have been nominated as “Scientist of the Week” by Mrs Botham for their continued hard work and sustained effort within lessons and have been awarded 50 Praise Points: Teddy (7FMI) and Abishai (9TKE).</p> <p>Mr Evans – Lead Teacher of Science</p>	Year Group	1 st Position	2 nd Position	3 rd Position	7	Mylah (LBR)	Joshua (LWA)	Chloe (LWA)	8	Mia (JHE)	Ollie (CBR)	Jake (RJA)	9	Tilly (NSD)	Rosie (AKO)	Henry (AKO)	10	Mohammed (MBR)	Scarlett (IPU)	Keenan (TGO)	11	Thomas (LMI)	Tom (LGU)	Toby (NMI)
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Dropping Off & Collecting at School

Please be careful and choose a safe place to drop off or collect your child at school. When picking up or dropping off at school, you should:



- Allow plenty of time as the area is likely to be busy.
- Do not park on yellow zigzag lines.
- Be considerate of people who live nearby.
- Turn your engines off whilst you wait.
- Avoid three point turns wherever possible.

Pastoral Team

**Madrid Trip
May 2026**

We took 45 pupils to Madrid, and had the best time, exploring the entire city. We had the opportunity to see the Bernabéu stadium, the Madrid Theme Park and see a flamenco show. The pupils got to see some of the main city sights, including the Plaza Mayor and the royal palace. The pupils took the opportunity to order food and drink in Spanish and get to grips with the differences in culture between Spain and the UK.

We can't wait to take the next set of pupils on the Madrid Trip 2027!



Miss Turner – Lead Teacher of MFL



University Fair

Don't miss this University Fair on Unifrog for information about universities and Higher Education.

<https://www.unifrog.org/parent/webinars/upcoming/1756-unifrog-global-university-fair>

All pupils have been sent an invitation to the link to the Virtual live fair via their Unifrog accounts.



Unifrog Global University Fair

Students Parents Virtual

Chat to over 30 universities from across the world in just two and a half hours! Choose from over 15 live webinar sessions to get an insight into all things university, and get your questions answered via live chat Q&A by university experts. Click below to visit our events platform to register, find out which universities are attending, and view the live session programme!

> Wed 3 Jun 15:00-17:30 UK time

Careers Appointments

Appointment Date	Appointment Time	Name	Reg
Tuesday 2 nd June	10.55am	Robbie C	10MWA
Tuesday 2 nd June	11.55am	Fynn W	10BSO
Tuesday 2 nd June	2.00pm	Rod A	10BSO

Appointment Date	Appointment Time	Forename	Reg
Thursday 4 th June	8.30am	Harry D	10JHD
Thursday 4 th June	9.30am	Oliver M	10TGO

This appointment will be held in the Careers Room, this is the room at the end of the Science block near the Quad.

Please enter via the door from the field. It would be great if you can complete the Careers Appointment Preparation Form in readiness for this appointment – please see your tutor if you need any assistance.

Mrs Akhtar – Careers Advisor

Performing Arts Update

Summer Music Concert - Friday 26th June 2026

Pupils performing in the Summer Music Concert need to:

- Hand in permission slips to Mrs Barge.
- Let Mrs Barge know what the name of your piece is called by Friday 9th June for the programme.
- Send her links to backing tracks if needed.
- Link to buy tickets: <https://www.ticketsource.com/purbrook-park-school/t-lddlrmv>

Performing Arts Summer Show - Thursday 2nd July 2026

Performing Arts teachers will hand out letters. Link to buy tickets: <https://www.ticketsource.com/purbrook-park-school/t-dkjvrdd>

Summer Fayre - Saturday 4th July 2026

Please see Mrs Brook if you would like to sing/play instruments.

Prom in Park

Open to Choir only, please return slips.

Live Music Friday



Mrs Brook - Performing Arts Technician

Thank you



The PTFA would like to extend thanks to the people who have kindly agreed to display a Bernards Board advertising the PTFA Summer Fair, which is being held on Saturday 4th July on the School Quad between 11.00am and 3.00pm. Thank you to the parents, relatives, friends, neighbours, Governors and members of staff in the local area for supporting this. Your help in advertising this popular event is really appreciated. Bernards will be installing these boards in the next 2 weeks for display up until our Summer Fair.

This means that Bernards who are kindly sponsoring this initiative, will donate £20 per board displayed, which totals **£740 towards pupil enrichment funds.**

Please do not forget we are still looking for stall holders and performers for this event, along with donations of raffle prizes, bottles, sweets and children's tombola items. Please bring donations into school where pupils will receive praise points for these.



Please contact: purbrookparkschoolptfa@gmail.com for more information.

PPS PTFA

Word of the Week

English Department's
Word of the week

Infer

To make a guess using clues and evidence.

 English <i>Infer how the character is feeling from their dialogue.</i>	 Geography <i>Infer why people settle near rivers.</i>	 PE <i>Infer why the team lost possession so often.</i>
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Ms Evans – Assistant Lead Teacher of English

Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress of Portsmouth visit Purbrook Park School to mark the relocation of a local archery club and donate £500 for new equipment.

Fort Purbrook Company of Bowmen have recently relocated from the fort nearby to Purbrook Park School and welcomed the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress of Portsmouth to their new home, where they presented a generous £500 donation to support the club's growth, before picking up a bow and trying their hand at the sport.

On the evening of Wednesday 13 May 2026, Fort Purbrook Company of Bowmen had the honour of hosting the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress of Portsmouth (pictured below) at their new home: Purbrook Park School. The club recently relocated to this exciting new venue, with facilities for indoor and outdoor shooting. The visit marked a significant moment in the club's new chapter, with the Lord Mayor presenting a personal donation of £500 to help fund vital new equipment.

The funds will be put to immediate use, contributing towards a new backstop net and additional target bosses. Both will benefit members of all experience levels for years to come.

The Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress didn't simply observe the evening's proceedings; they joined in. Taking to the shooting line alongside the club's members, they demonstrated a natural aptitude for the sport, landing every one of their arrows on target, with the Lady Mayoress landing her third arrow in the centre of the gold. Club members were delighted to share their passion with such enthusiastic visitors.



The club was formed in 1985 at Fort Purbrook, initially to promote junior archery, before growing into a club for all. They have achieved major success over the years producing several national champions, and British record holders, and having 2 of their archers selected to represent Great Britain in international competition. Due to changes at the Fort the venue was no longer suitable for the club, so when the opportunity for a new partnership with Purbrook Park School arose the club decided to make that move. Regular club sessions take place every Wednesday and Friday evening, 7–9pm, at Purbrook Park School. The club warmly welcomes archers of all ages and abilities, from complete beginners to seasoned competitors.

New Beginners' Course Starting 20 May

Inspired by the Lord Mayor's visit? Fort Purbrook Company of Bowmen is inviting anyone with a curiosity about archery to join one of their upcoming beginners' courses, the first starting **Wednesday 20 May 2026**. Running over six weeks, the course offers a welcoming and structured introduction to the sport, with all equipment provided and expert guidance from experienced club members. Further courses are planned throughout the year.

Full details about the beginners' course, membership, and club sessions are available on the club website at www.purbrookbowmen.org.uk and on the club's Facebook page: [Fort Purbrook Company of Bowmen](#) or email info@purbrookbowmen.org.uk **If you mention Purbrook Park School you will get a discount on the course fee.**

Sparx Legends of the Week

Year 7 – David (7FMI)

Year 8 – Harriet (8JHE)

Year 9 – James (9TKE)

Year 10 – Billy (10JHD)

Year 11 – Lily (11KSH)

**50 Praise Points for
each Winner!**

English:

Pupils of the week 😊

Year 7 – Henry L (7FTU)

Year 8 – Felix G (8CSI)

Year 9 – Maddy M (9NSD)

Year 10 – Lyla L (10IPU)

Year 11 – ALL PUPILS 😊

Week commencing 18th May 2026

Historians of the Week!



Congratulations to...



Year 7 – Kai. R

7SGR



Year 8 – Blake. B

8JFR



Year 9 – James. G

9TKE



Year 10 – Ellah. CR

10FCO



Year 11 – Grace. G

11TEV

Purbrook Park School
Performing Arts
certify to all that
Isabelle T (10 MBR)
has received the award for
For organising and producing a fabulous and successful 80's
evening to raise money for the Africa trip.

PE Bulletin

Good News Stories

Congratulations to **Ethan** in Year 11 who was selected for Portsmouth FC men's first team squad against Birmingham City. Portsmouth played their final game of the Championship on Saturday 9th May ending in a 1-1 draw. Ethan warmed up with Nicholas Schmid and Ben Kilip saving shots from the Portsmouth strikers. Ethan has recently secured a scholarship with Portsmouth FC and is hoping to make more first team appearances in the future.



Struan (7SGR) had the incredible opportunity to represent United Services Portsmouth U13s at the youth festival at Twickenham before the Army/Navy match on 2nd May 2026. He was selected to captain and scored 2 tries - and enjoyed the pitch which was 'like a pillow'!

A great day of rugby and an amazing experience.



Noah and Joseph won the U12 Portsmouth Cup this weekend, this is the 4th year in a row their team, Moneyfields have won the trophy and is an amazing show of their football development.



Girls' Football

Last week, the Year 7 girls' football team played a friendly match against Park Community School. The girls played some great football and have come a long way since the start of the year. We had a fantastic turnout, with lots of girls wanting to play, which allowed us to rotate the teams and ensure everyone got a good run out.

The girls created many chances with some excellent build-up play but unfortunately couldn't find the back of the net. In a very tight match, the girls ended up losing 1–0, but they should be proud of themselves and the progress they have made this year. – **Miss Granger**



Athletics

On Thursday 14th May 26 Year 9 & 10 pupils attended the Mountbatten Centre to compete in the South East Hampshire Athletics competition. Every pupil competed in their event to the best of their ability against some tough competitors. They competed against 10 other schools from the Havant area. Some stand out performances from the day were Tommy (9RHA) 2nd in 300m final, Jack (9TKE) 100m finalist, Lyle (10JHD) 2nd in Long jump, Esme (10FCO) 100m finalist, and Tilly (9NSD) 1st in 800m. Well done to all pupils who competed in this event, you were a credit to yourselves and Purbrook.



Year 11 Spare Kit

If you are in Year 11 and have no plan to use your Purbrook Park PE kit again, please donate any kit to a PE teacher. It will be greatly appreciated.

Bikeability

The Bikeability team will be at a local school during the May Half Term to deliver some Bikeability Level 3.

- 26 & 28 May 2026
- St Peter's School, Waterlooville
- [Book here](#) - Hampshire Outdoors - Bikeability – Hampshire County Council Shop

Level 3 is suitable for Year 6 upwards and must have completed Level 2 at primary school.

Basketball Trip

On Sunday 17th May, we travelled to the London O2 Arena to watch the top two teams compete in the Super League Basketball Play-Off Finals. We were lucky enough to watch both the Women's and Men's finals, seeing some of the best basketball talent in the country on display.

Both games were exciting and full of energy. The Women's final was incredibly close, with the game going right down to the final quarter. In the Men's final, the home team, London Lions, produced a dominant performance to secure the championship title.

The pupils were excellent throughout the trip and represented the school brilliantly. Watching basketball played at such an elite level gave them a fantastic opportunity to see the standards, teamwork, and dedication required to succeed in the sport. We hope the experience will further inspire them to continue attending clubs and proudly represent our school in future competitions.

Thank you to everyone involved for making it such a great trip!

- **Miss Brailey**



Charity run event

An incredible challenge is on the horizon at Purbrook Park School, and it's all for a fantastic cause. Steve Spear is taking on the remarkable feat of running 100 miles in just 24 hours to raise money for the school's PE department.

This inspiring effort aims to provide much-needed funding for new sports equipment, ensuring pupils have access to high-quality resources that support their physical education, wellbeing, and overall development. From team sports to fitness training, improved equipment will make a real difference in helping pupils stay active, engaged, and motivated. Running 100 miles is no small task—it requires determination, resilience, and an unwavering commitment to the cause. Steve's dedication highlights just how important it is to invest in opportunities that benefit young people's health and education.

If you're able to, please consider supporting this challenge by making a donation. Every contribution, no matter the size, will go directly toward enhancing the PE department and creating better experiences for pupils at Purbrook Park School. <https://gofund.me/27d000490>

Let's come together as a community to support this amazing effort and help cross the finish line—not just for the run, but for a brighter, more active future for all pupils. Thank you for your support!



Every Thursday of Week B at PPS we will be taking part in House Competitions during the PDL session to encourage our tutees to work as a team in their Houses and to boost their competitive spirit. See below for the winners of last week's PDL House Competition who have been awarded 1000 praise points to their house total!

House Competitions Summer Term 2026



Museums Week

Last week our tutor groups were set the challenge to create a Gala Event to promote the British Museum in London. They were asked to consider the success of the Met Gala in New York as a comparison. We very much enjoyed their creative thinking on this! A massive well done to Einstein who smashed the challenge!



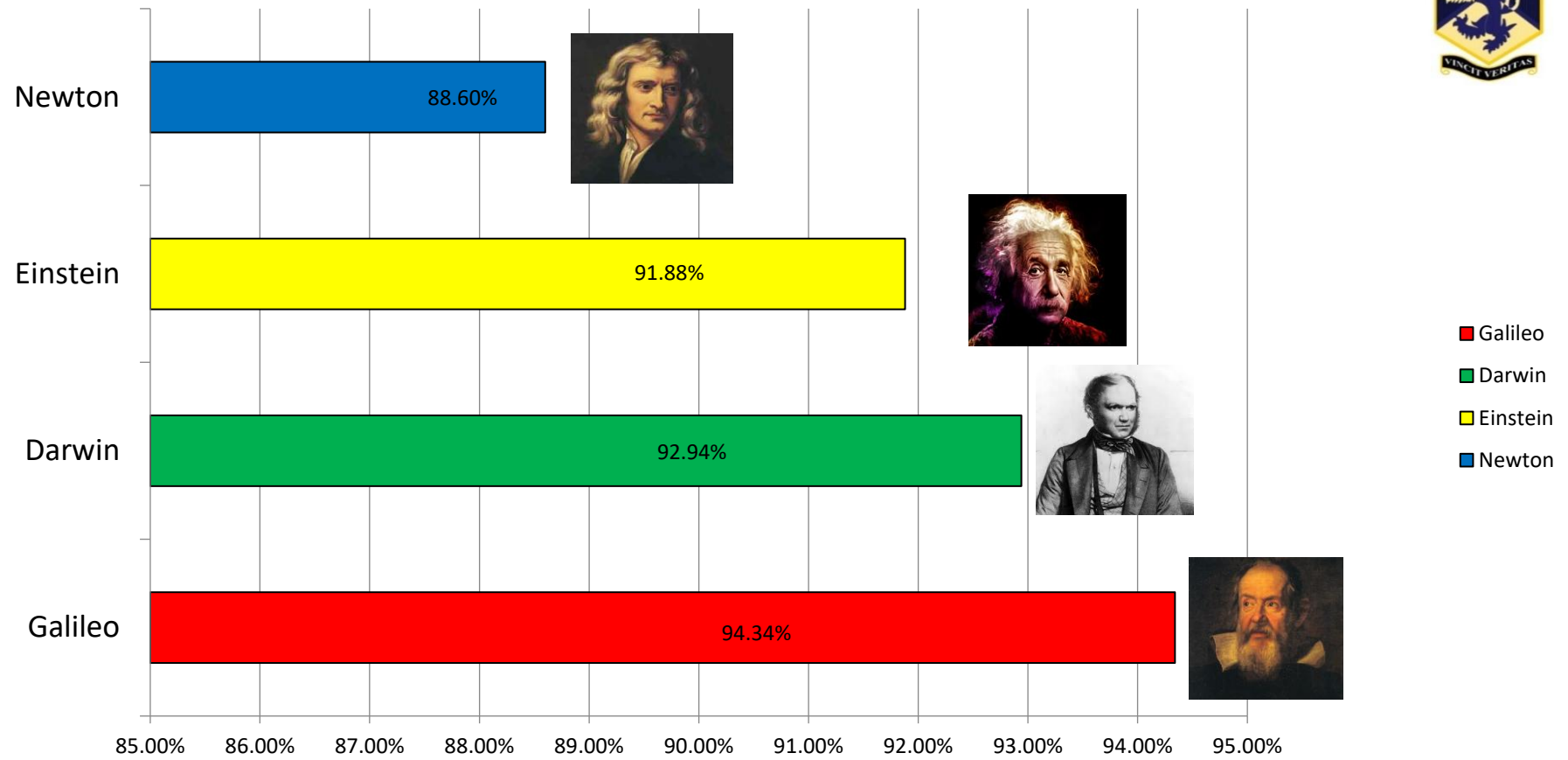
1.	Einstein
2.	Darwin
3.	Galileo
4.	Newton

YEAR 9 PROGRESS EVENING – THURSDAY 4th JUNE 2026 – 4.00pm – 8.00pm



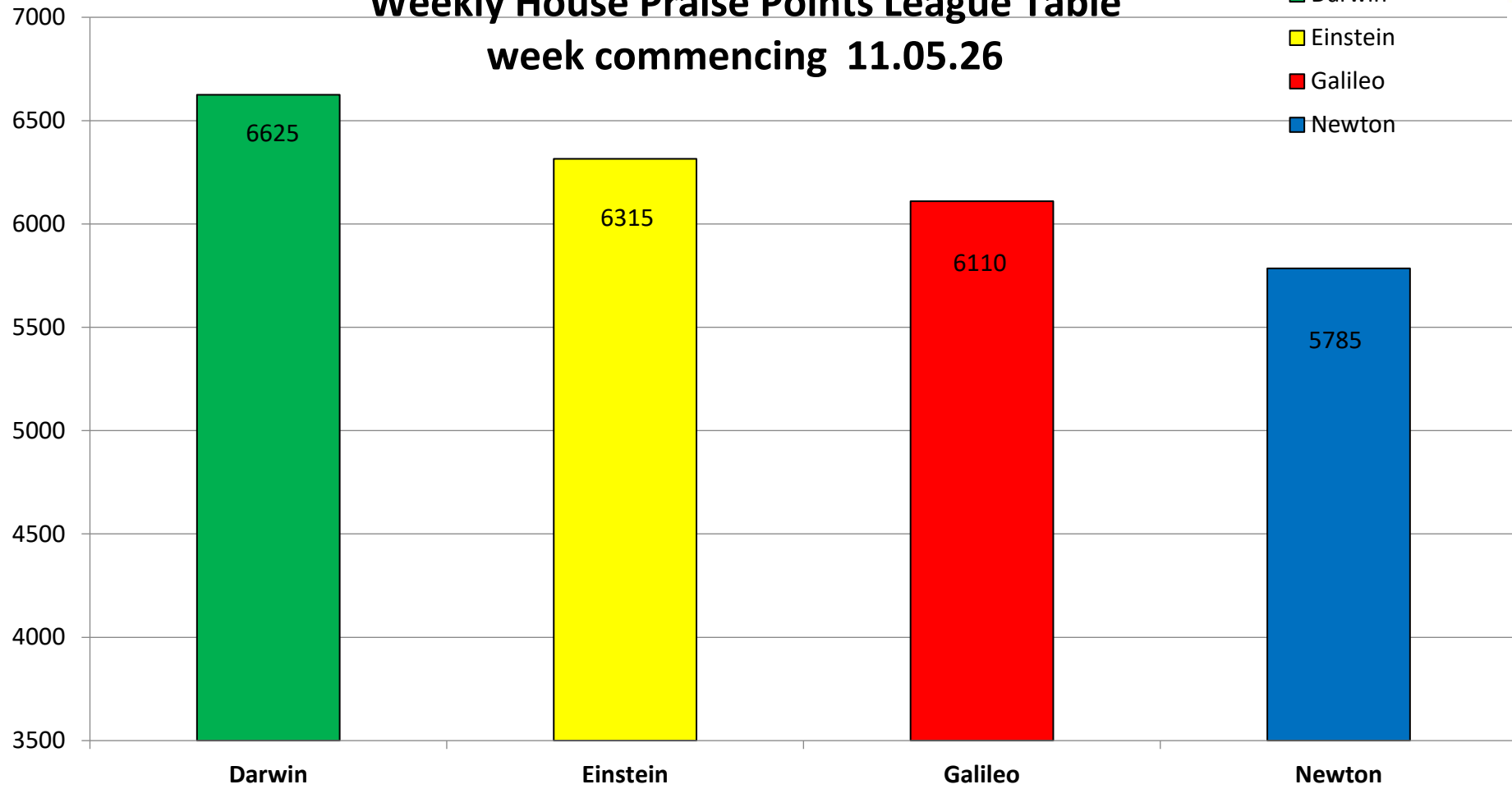
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ENGLISH	Ms Evans	GE2	SPORT/ ENGLISH	Mr Bolton	MA6
	Ms Simmons			Mr Wilson	
	Miss Waring			Mr Davies	
	Miss Broker	GE3	SPORT	Miss Brailey	MA7
	Mr Harris			Miss Butler	
	Mrs Stott			Miss Granger	
MATHS/SCIENCE	Mr James	MA1	ART, DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY 3D, Art, Engineering, Food, Photography, Textiles	Miss Cumbo	EN8
	Miss Miller			Miss Kovalenko	
	Mrs Davies			Miss Minker	
	Mr Gissing	MA2		Mrs Armstrong	STUDY CENTRE
	Mr Middleton			Mr Watson	
	Mr Pickford				
SCIENCE	Mr Evans	MA3	BUSINESS/ SPANISH	Mrs Mills	CM1
	Mrs Goodchild			Mrs Putman	
	Mr Herman			Miss Turner	
	Miss Everall	MA4	DRAMA / DANCE	Mrs Shepherd	DRAMA STUDIO
	Mr Kent			Mr Strange	
	Mrs Botham			Mrs Taylor	
GEOGRAPHY	Miss Dorey	GE1	MUSIC / HISTORY	Mrs Barge	JBS
	Miss Hall			Mrs Pomfret	
	Miss Shears (& Sociology)				
HISTORY	Mr Bruce	HI2	SENC_o	Mrs Morrison-Johnson	SEN2
	Mr Solly (& Sociology)				
	Mrs Walsh				
RELIGIOUS STUDIES	Ms Guile	HI1	CAREERS	Mrs Akhtar	Outside Pastoral Hub
	Mrs Mason (& Sociology)				
	Miss Tomlinson				

Weekly House Attendance - 11.05.26 - 15.05.26



Weekly House Praise Points League Table week commencing 11.05.26

- Darwin
- Einstein
- Galileo
- Newton





E- Praise Leaders This Week

Yr 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Olivia HDO	Jake SSR	Molly ATO	Leo TGO	Jayden NMI
Henry FTU	Lily-May CSI	James AWA	Mohammed MBR	Brad SST
Willow LBR	Ceia RJA	Albie ATO	Owen MWA	Niamh SST

A huge well done to all our E-Praise Leaders.
We just love how motivated you are!

A vibrant summer-themed poster with a light yellow background and a green border. It features illustrations of palm leaves, a smiling sun wearing sunglasses, and orange starfish. The main title is in large, bold green letters. Below it, text in brown and green describes the event and donation request, accompanied by a small sun icon. A bulleted list of donation items is centered. At the bottom, more text in green explains the reward system, flanked by palm tree illustrations.

SUMMER FAIR DONATIONS

In preparation for our Summer Fair on Saturday 4th July the PTFA are welcoming donations of the following;

- Bottles/jars for the Bottle Tombola
- Sweet bags
- Raffle prizes
- Items for Children's Tombola

If you are able to help in donating any of these then please drop into Main Reception labelled with your child's name so that they can be rewarded praise points in return



Kennington School & Portsmouth Footgolf

NEW! 9-HOLE FOOTGOLF COURSE!

NEW!

OPEN WEEKENDS AND ALL SCHOOL HOLIDAYS



-  Open to all ages & abilities
-  Astros or trainers only
-  Reception with light refreshments & toilet
-  Free parking (at owner's risk)
-  Picnic area & decking with seating
-  Birthday parties, team bonding, stag & hen do's

PRICES

Adult £7 for 9 holes
£10 for 18 holes

Under 18s £5 for 9 holes
£8 for 18 holes

Call or Email to Book or Just Come Along & Pay and Play!

 **07543 771378**
 **davidleworthy5@gmail.com**
 **182 Five Heads Road, Horndean, PO89NJ**

OPENING HOURS

January/February:	10am - 2pm
March:	10am - 4pm
April/May/June:	10am - 5pm
July/August:	10am - 6pm
September:	10am - 5pm
October:	10am - 4pm
November/December:	10am - 2pm