



# Purbrook Park School Purbrook Park Newsletter



Week commencing Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2026  
**WEEK B**

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*PTFA-funded Songwriting Workshop*

## 1. Notes from the Headteacher

Congratulations to all our award winners at our Prize Giving Evening. It was a wonderful opportunity to pause, reflect and celebrate the remarkable young people who make our school such a special place.

With best wishes,

**Paul Foxley**

## 2. Calendar

| Date                         | Event                                                                                                              |
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| <b>Monday</b><br>13.07.26    | Staff Briefing – 3.10pm – 3.20pm<br>Department Meetings – 3.20pm – 4.20pm                                          |
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| <b>Tuesday</b><br>14.07.26   | Kenya Trip departs today                                                                                           |
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| <b>Wednesday</b><br>15.07.26 | Prom in the Park - Victoria Park, Portsmouth – 10.30am – 3.00pm<br>Pre-loved School Uniform sale – 2.30pm – 3.30pm |
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| <b>Thursday</b><br>16.07.26  | Sports Day (Year 7 & 8)                                                                                            |
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| <b>Friday</b><br>17.07.26    | Sports Day (Year 9 & 10)                                                                                           |

## 3. Messages

| <b>Science – Celebrating Success</b> | <p><b><u>Sparx</u></b></p> <p>The top three Science Sparx users in each year group for the week beginning 29<sup>th</sup> June 2026 were as follows:</p> <table><tr><th><b>Year Group</b></th><th><b>1<sup>st</sup> Position</b></th><th><b>2<sup>nd</sup> Position</b></th><th><b>3<sup>rd</sup> Position</b></th></tr><tr><td><b>7</b></td><td>Phoebe (FTU)</td><td>Henry (FTU)</td><td>Ana (FMI)</td></tr><tr><td><b>8</b></td><td>Oakley (RJA)</td><td>Edward (JFR)</td><td>Felix (CSI)</td></tr><tr><td><b>9</b></td><td>Eva (TKE)</td><td>Tilly (NSD)</td><td>Abishai (TKE)</td></tr><tr><td><b>10</b></td><td>Isabelle (BSO)</td><td>Dylan (JHD)</td><td>Max (BSO)</td></tr></table> <p>Each of the above have been awarded 25 Praise Points.</p> <p>This academic year our pupils have answered 606,344 questions correctly on Sparx Science.</p> <p><b>Mr Evans – Lead Teacher of Science</b></p> | <b>Year Group</b>              | <b>1<sup>st</sup> Position</b> | <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Position</b> | <b>3<sup>rd</sup> Position</b> | <b>7</b> | Phoebe (FTU) | Henry (FTU) | Ana (FMI) | <b>8</b> | Oakley (RJA) | Edward (JFR) | Felix (CSI) | <b>9</b> | Eva (TKE) | Tilly (NSD) | Abishai (TKE) | <b>10</b> | Isabelle (BSO) | Dylan (JHD) | Max (BSO) |
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| <b>Year Group</b>                    | <b>1<sup>st</sup> Position</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Position</b> | <b>3<sup>rd</sup> Position</b> |                                |                                |          |              |             |           |          |              |              |             |          |           |             |               |           |                |             |           |
| <b>7</b>                             | Phoebe (FTU)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Henry (FTU)                    | Ana (FMI)                      |                                |                                |          |              |             |           |          |              |              |             |          |           |             |               |           |                |             |           |
| <b>8</b>                             | Oakley (RJA)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Edward (JFR)                   | Felix (CSI)                    |                                |                                |          |              |             |           |          |              |              |             |          |           |             |               |           |                |             |           |
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| <b>10</b>                            | Isabelle (BSO)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Dylan (JHD)                    | Max (BSO)                      |                                |                                |          |              |             |           |          |              |              |             |          |           |             |               |           |                |             |           |
| <b>Last Day of Term</b>              | <p>A reminder that Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2026 is the last day of term and the school will close to pupils at 11.55am.</p> <p>The last day of term will also be a non-uniform day. Pupils and staff are welcome to wear suitable, non-uniform for a £1 donation.</p> <p><b>Pastoral Team</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |                                |                                |                                |                                |          |              |             |           |          |              |              |             |          |           |             |               |           |                |             |           |

# Food Practical Reminders

## FOOD PRACTICAL LESSONS

10D Honeycomb 13.7.26 and  
Chocolate souffle 14.7.26

8Z Cookies 13.7.26 & Brownies  
15.7.26

8X Drop Scones 14.7.26

7Z Scone based pizza 14.7.26

8Y Drop Scones 15.7.26

10B Tortellini 15.7.26

9C Yeast pizza 16.7.26

### HONEYCOMB



#### Ingredients

Greaseproof paper  
200g Caster Sugar  
5 tbsp Golden Syrup  
2 tsp Bicarbonate of soda

#### Method

1. Butter a 20cm square tin.
2. Stir the caster sugar and golden syrup together in a deep saucepan over a gentle heat until the sugar has melted. Do NOT let it bubble.
3. Once completely melted, turn up the heat a little and simmer until you have an amber coloured caramel. As quickly as you can turn off the heat.
4. Tip in the bicarbonate of soda and beat with a wooden spoon until it has all disappeared and the mixture is foaming. Scrape into the tin immediately.
5. The mixture will continue to bubble in the tin, simply leave it for an hour then snap into pieces or cover in chocolate.

### DROP SCONES



#### Ingredients

175g self raising flour  
1 tsp baking powder  
40g caster sugar  
1 small orange  
1 egg  
200ml milk  
Sunflower oil for greasing  
Strawberries and maple syrup to serve

#### Method:

1. Place the flour, baking powder, sugar and orange zest in a mixing bowl. Make a well in the centre, then add the egg and half of the milk, whisk well until you have a smooth batter.
2. Beat in enough of the milk to make a batter consistency of thick cream- you may need all the milk.
3. Heat a large frying pan and grease with a little oil. Drop the mixture into the hot pan in dessertspoonfuls, spacing the mixture well apart to allow space for them to expand. When bubble appear on the surface, turn the scones over with a fish slice and cook on the other side for a minute, or until they are lightly golden brown.
4. Lift the pancakes onto a wire rack and cover with a clean tea towel to keep them soft while cooking the remaining batter in the same way.
5. Serve with strawberries and maple syrup.

### CHOCOLATE SOUFFLE



#### Ingredients

20g butter  
10g plain flour  
125ml whole milk  
1 tbsp cream  
2 large eggs  
50g dark chocolate  
25g caster sugar

#### METHOD

**PLEASE BRING IN 2 RAMEKINS**

Grease 2 ramekins with butter and dust with caster sugar. Place on a baking tray in the oven on 200c to heat up.

Melt the chocolate in a pan. In another pan melt the butter and add the flour, then gradually add the milk to make a roux sauce. Bring to boil for 2 minutes then add the cream. Take off the heat then add the egg yolks.

Whisk the egg yolks until stiff peaks, add gradually add in the sugar. Fold the melted chocolate into the roux sauce. Add a spoonful of egg white to the roux sauce and stir in- this is called 'blackening' the mixture and makes it easier to mix in the remaining egg whites. Carefully fold in the remaining egg whites.

Spoon the mix into the ramekins. Place on a hot baking tray. Bake for about 8-10 minutes until well risen and golden. Serve immediately.

### SCONE BASED PIZZA



#### Ingredients

150g Self Raising Flour  
25g Butter/Margarine  
1 egg  
50ml semi-skimmed milk  
Tomato puree  
4 x 1 toppings of choice  
50g Grated Mozzarella  
1 tsp herbs

#### METHOD

1. Prepare yourself and your work area and collect your ingredients and equipment.
2. Light the oven Gas Mk7/210C fan. **Grease a baking tray**
3. Put the flour and margarine into a mixing bowl and rub together until like fine breadcrumbs.
4. Beat together the egg and the milk and use to add to the flour mixture to make a soft but not sticky dough.
5. **Gather into a ball and roll out on a floured surface to about 2cms thick.** Place on the baking tray.
6. Spoon the tomato sauce carefully over the pizza base, before adding the rest of the ingredients.
7. Finish with the grated cheese
8. Place in the centre of the pre-heated oven for about 15-20 minutes, until risen and golden.

### YEAST BASED PIZZA



#### Ingredients

75g Strong White Flour  
25g Strong Wholemeal flour  
Extra flour for dusting  
1/2 tsp salt  
1 sachet yeast  
1 x 10ml oil  
2 large eggs  
3 tbsp warm water  
Tomato puree  
Cheese  
Toppings of your choice

#### METHOD

1. Preheat oven to 200C fan/ gas mark 6
2. Mix Dry ingredients in a large bowl
3. Stir in the yeast and make a well in the middle
4. Combine both the oil and water into a jug before pouring into the bowl
5. Slowly pour in the mixture and mix well until a ball of dough has formed. Knead for 5 minutes
6. Grease the baking tray
7. Roll out and shape the dough into the desired shape and place the dough onto the baking tray and work the rested dough into a rough rectangle shape with your fingers.
8. Spread the sauce across the base, leaving a gap for the crust, arrange the toppings on top and cheese
9. Bake for 10 - 15 minutes

### BROWNIES



#### Ingredients

50g soft unsalted butter  
50g soft light brown sugar  
25g golden syrup  
25g plain flour  
20g cocoa  
1/2 tsp salt  
1 large egg (at room temperature)  
1 tsp vanilla extract  
50g milk chocolate chips

#### METHOD

1. Preheat oven to 170C/ gas mark 3
2. Put the butter, sugar and golden syrup in to a saucepan and gently warm. Stir until the butter has melted and the sugar has dissolved.
3. Remove the saucepan from the heat.
4. Mix together the flour, cocoa and salt, then beat in to the butter and sugar with a wooden spoon or spatula until smooth and combined.
5. Whisk the egg with vanilla then stir into the saucepan. Whisk until everything is mixed together.
6. Fold in the choc chips.
7. Pour the mix in to your foil tray and bake in the oven for about 15-20 minutes until its beginning to come away at the sides and the top has dried a little just around the edges.

### TORTELLINI



#### Ingredients:

1 medium egg  
75g '00' flour, plus extra for dusting  
100g ricotta  
25g fine semolina  
100g ricotta  
20g Parmesan  
1 lemon, zest only  
75g Spinach  
salt and freshly ground pepper  
knob of butter, to serve

#### METHOD

**SPINACH AND RICOTTA TORTELLINI OR CHOOSE YOUR OWN FILLING**

1. Crack the egg into a bowl. Place the '00' flour in a separate bowl. Add the semolina and mix together with your hands. Make a hollow 'well' in the centre of the flour.
2. Lightly beat the egg and pour the egg mixture into the well. Mix well with a wooden spoon until the egg is incorporated into the flour. Once the egg is incorporated, turn the dough out onto a clean, floured work surface.
3. Knead the dough until it's smooth and elastic, about 10-15 minutes. When you've finished kneading, wrap the dough in cling film and place it in the fridge to rest for at least 30 mins. Lightly flour a clean work surface and work the rested dough into a rough rectangle shape with your fingers.
4. Flour the pasta machine. Starting at the lowest (thickest) setting, feed the dough through the machine. Change the setting on the pasta machine to the next-thickest setting. Repeat this process 3-4 more times, flouring the machine and changing the setting down each time. At one point, you'll need to cut the pasta sheet in half lengthwise or it will become too long to handle. The pasta should be quite thin, but still easy to handle without tearing. Lay out flat on the table in large strips.
5. For the filling, mix the spinach, ricotta, Parmesan, lemon zest and a pinch of salt and pepper until well combined. Transfer to a piping bag or a plastic food bag with the corner snipped off.
6. Pipe a heaped teaspoon amount of filling inside each pasta circle and fold in half to create a half moon shape. Wet the edges and press down to help them stick. Pull the two narrow ends together to form a tortellini shape. Lay out flat on the table in large strips.
7. Bring a large saucepan of salted water to the boil. Cook the pasta in the boiling water for 3-5 minutes, or until al dente. Drain well.

### CHOC CHIP COOKIES



#### Ingredients

43g unsalted butter  
50g light brown sugar  
1 medium egg  
1/2 tsp vanilla extract  
13g cocoa powder  
115g plain flour  
1/2 tsp salt  
1/2 tsp bicarbonate of soda  
150g milk and white choc chips

#### METHOD

1. Heat the oven to 180C/160C fan and line a baking tray with parchment paper.
2. Mix the butter and both sugars until light and fluffy and thoroughly combined using an electric whisk.
3. Mix in the vanilla and egg until thoroughly combined, then mix in the cocoa, bicarb, baking powder and salt until you have a thick paste/cookie dough.
4. Fold in the chocolate chips, and spoon the mixture on to the baking tray, making sure they are suitably spread out so the stay separate.
5. Bake in the oven for around 10-12 minutes until spread out perfectly crinkly. A minute or so less will be gooey, a minute or 2 more will be beautiful and crunchy.

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| <b>Water Safety Toolkit</b>           | <p><b>Child drownings increase during hot weather.</b> Recent reports from the last UK heatwave suggest that over a dozen children and young people lost their lives in water-related incidents, highlighting how quickly risks can escalate when temperatures rise and more children are around water.</p> <p>The <b>HSCP <a href="#">Water Safety Toolkit</a> for parents</b> offers simple, practical advice to help families stay safe, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>everyday risks at home</b> – including bath time safety and garden hazards</li> <li>• <b>staying safe outdoors</b> – such as the beach, around rivers and in open water</li> <li>• <b>practical safety advice</b> – including the Water Safety Code and how to “Float to Live”</li> <li>• <b>age-specific guidance</b> – for babies, young children, older children and teenagers</li> <li>• <b>what to do in an emergency</b> – including simple first aid steps and where to find further support.</li> </ul> <p>Small actions – like close supervision, choosing safe places to swim and talking regularly with children – can make a big difference.</p> <p><b>Pastoral Team</b></p>         |
| <b>Songwriting Workshop</b>           | <p>A huge thank you to the PTFA for generously funding our Year 9 and 10 songwriting workshop last week (pictured on the front of the newsletter). We were delighted to welcome David from Portsmouth Music Academy, who delivered an engaging and inspiring session that encouraged pupils to create their own original songs inspired by Dolly Parton’s classic <i>Jolene</i>.</p> <p>The workshop provided a valuable insight into the songwriting process and closely supported the composition component of the GCSE Music course. Pupils showed great creativity and enthusiasm throughout the morning, producing some fantastic musical ideas and songs. We are extremely grateful to the PTFA for helping to make this enriching learning opportunity possible.</p> <p><b>Mrs Barge – Teacher of Music</b></p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Year 9 Religious Studies Visit</b> | <p>On Monday last week, 34 of our lovely Year 9 pupils visited St. Paul’s Cathedral in London to help support their GCSE Religious Studies course. Pupils enjoyed a wonderful tour of the cathedral and informative workshop provided by the learning coordinators of St. Paul’s. Our Year 9 pupils have been learning about Christian beliefs this year and were able to put their subject knowledge to the test during the course of their tour. Yet again, our Purbrook Park pupils were a credit to us with their impeccable behaviour and excellent participation. Pupils then ended their tour by climbing the 528 steps to the top of the iconic St Paul’s Cathedral dome as they reached the Golden Gallery for an incredible view of London.</p> <div data-bbox="437 1814 815 2069">  </div> <div data-bbox="826 1814 1203 2069">  </div> <div data-bbox="1214 1758 1474 2069">  </div> <p><b>Religious Studies Department</b></p> |

## Performing Arts Update

### Summer Show 2026

Thank you to everyone who performed and came to our Performing arts summer show. We were able to raise much needed funds to help with our 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' production in December. A special thank you to Dior who donated lollies to sell and Bayleigh who made sweet cones to help raise money for our event.



### Summer Fair

A huge thank you to all our performers who gave up their time to sing/play music at our summer fair on Saturday. You entertained us all day with rave reviews from our PTFA and stall holders.

A huge thank you also to the talented 'Classique' dance school in Waterloooville who gave us a 30 minute set of non-stop dancing from their rising stars, their performers company and even treated us to some of their Disney show which they are performing later on this year. Classique are a local dance company that caters for all styles of dance and levels of abilities.

[Classique School Of Dance | Dance school in Waterloooville](#)



It was really lovely to welcome back a talented ex-pupil, Issy Slade. Issy studied at the Brits school in London. She is a professional singer/songwriter who performs across the south and teaches singing lessons. Thank you to Issy who performed an hour set at our fair.



[Issy Slade | Facebook](#)

### Prom in the Park - Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July 11-1pm Victoria Park

Please check Edulink for further messages.

### Musical Con trip - Saturday 17th October Excel London.

Please make sure you have paid for the trip by the end of this school year. There is a space left for this trip Year 9 to 11 only. Please see Mrs Brook if you are interested.

### 'Charlie' Auditions

A huge thank you to everyone who has auditioned for 'Charlie', we were overwhelmed by the number of pupils who auditioned for a part - 50 of you! Congratulations if you have been asked for 'call backs' to read for a main role - this week has been incredibly difficult for us as you are all so talented. Main parts will be published soon on our Performing Arts notice board with details on where and when to collect scripts.

If you auditioned for 'Charlie' and you didn't get a call back or a main part, then you are all ***automatically in our show***. We will tell you in September what part/what section you are in, we have set up an Edulink group chat and will message you all after the summer. If you change your mind about being part of our show, then please let us know in September.

### Music Tuition Lessons

If you wish to continue your instrumental lessons, then you don't need to do anything - these will continue in September. I will try as best as I can for you to have the same day/time.

If you **do not wish to continue lessons** next year, then your parents need to email me by Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July. [jbrook@purbrook.hants.sch.uk](mailto:jbrook@purbrook.hants.sch.uk)

### Mrs Brook Performing Arts Technician

#### **Pre-Loved School Uniform**



**Has your child grown out of their school uniform - Are you having an end of school year clear out?**

Purbrook Park School Parent, Teachers and Friends Association (PTFA) are looking for donations of Pre-loved School Uniform to support our environment through an eco-friendly way to dispose of outgrown uniform and offer

good quality pre-loved uniform to our school community.

Donations can include:

- **Any Branded School Uniform (Blazers, Ties, PE Kit)**
- **Non-Branded School Uniform Blouses / Shirts, Trousers and Skirts**
- **Shoes – School shoes, trainers or football boots**



Please make sure that all items are in GOOD condition, have been freshly laundered and name labels are removed. Donations can be made at Reception.

The PTFA run Pre-Loved Uniform sales throughout the school year and will advertise dates in advance. **The NEXT PRELOVED SALE will be held on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July between 2.30pm and 3.30pm** outside the entrance to the main building (on Park Avenue). Cash and card payments can be made, although cash is the preferred form of payment. We look forward to seeing you there...

Thank you in advance for your support.

**Purbrook Park PTFA**

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| <b>Good News Story</b> | <p>Please follow the link to access a good news story featuring some of our pupils at Southampton Football academy:</p> <p><a href="https://www.dailyecho.co.uk/sport/26264580.southampton-retain-top-english-prospects-12-scholar-deals-signed/">https://www.dailyecho.co.uk/sport/26264580.southampton-retain-top-english-prospects-12-scholar-deals-signed/</a></p> <p><b>PE Department</b></p> |
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# Purbrook Park School SUMMER FAIR

**Thank you for your support!**

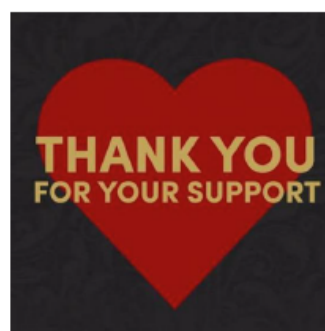
We held a very busy and successful Summer Fair last Saturday, featuring performances from our talented pupils, and lots of local talent. The Quad was filled with stalls, tombolas, games stalls, along with a Pimm's tent, refreshments and gift stalls.

We could not have done this without the support of these local sponsors:

Airsoft Portsmouth, Bar Aroma, Drayton, Bernards Estate Agents, Billy Boys Bakes, DP Services, Exbury Garden and Steam Railways, Fishers Farm, Fort Purbrook Company of Bowmen, Hayling Island Funland, Hayling Ferry, Hilsea Lido, Horizon Leisure, Liberty Hair and Beauty, Loaded Sundaes, Paint and Chill, Petersfield Lido, PureGym, Shape Clinic, Skoolkit, Spinnaker Tower, Stansted House and Waterlooville Golf Club.



But most of all, thank you all for supporting the school, by supplying wonderful donations, visiting the fair or helping in any way with this event. We are hoping to publish the total raised for our school community soon...



The PTFA worked extremely hard on the Summer Fair and are already beginning planning for our popular Christmas Market. Please "Save the date" - **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2026**

If you can help us with this upcoming event, or you would like to hold a stall please email: [purbrookparkptfa@gmail.com](mailto:purbrookparkptfa@gmail.com)



**Sparx Legends of the Week**

**Year 7 – Preston (7HDO)**

**Year 8 – Harriet (8JHE)**

**Year 9 – James (9TKE)**

**Year 10 – Billy (10JHD)**

**50 Praise Points for each Winner!**

Week commencing 06<sup>th</sup> July 2026

# Historians of the Week!



Congratulations to...



**Year 7 – Freya. A**

**7LWA**



**Year 8 – Jesse. W**

**8EMI**



**Year 9 – Jacob. S**

**9TKE**



**Year 10 – Freddie. T**

**10IPU**



Week commencing 6<sup>th</sup> July

## **Language**nut LEADERBOARD



**Year 7 – Tilly (7SGR)**

**Year 8 – Cassie (8EMI)**

**Year 9 – Charlie (9NSD)**

**Year 10 – Isaac (10MBR)**

*Congratulations!*

50 praise points  
for each winner

## **PE Bulletin**

### **Year 7 & 8 Athletics**

On Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2026, six Year 7 and 8 pupils attended the Hampshire Schools Championships at Winchester Sports Stadium to represent South-East Hampshire, following their qualification at the track competition last month.

The pupils competed against different schools from all around Hampshire. There were some very competitive athletes from all around Hampshire that took part and it was a great opportunity for our pupils. Each pupil put 100% into their event despite the very hot conditions. Hugo (8NBO) competed in the 100m, Layton (8JFR) competed in javelin, Oliver (7HDO) competed in the 150m, Elijah (8CBR) competed in long jump, Grace (7HDO) competed in the 1000m and Devon (7SGR) competed in the 80m.

Devon came first in his 80m sprint and qualified for the final against some very tough competition, showing determination all the way through the finish line. Devon and Oliver both participated in the relay with two pupils from Oaklands and TPS and their team came in 2<sup>nd</sup> place which was an amazing achievement.

Well done to all who took part - you were all amazing!

### **Miss Butler – Teacher of PE**



### **Mr Spear 100 Miles in 24 hours!**

As part of this year's Mr Spear's fundraising efforts, an ambitious challenge was set to complete 100 miles in 24 hours. Although the original target proved just out of reach, an incredible 95.5 miles was completed in what became a remarkable display of determination and resilience.

The challenge took an unexpected turn early on. Just five hours into the event, at around mile 21, severe nausea, sickness, headaches and stomach pains threatened to bring the run to an early end. Despite being visibly unwell throughout much of the evening and overnight, the challenge continued at a reduced pace, with every mile earned through perseverance and determination. As daylight returned, the momentum gradually improved. After more than 20 hours on the move, the final four hours became a test of mental strength, with every step bringing the total closer to the ambitious goal. Although the 100-mile target was narrowly missed, completing 95.5 miles in 24 hours remains an outstanding achievement.

The challenge was about much more than the distance covered. It became a fantastic whole school event, with pupils and staff showing tremendous support from start to finish. Many joined in by running or walking alongside parts of the route, cheering from the sidelines and encouraging one another, creating a brilliant atmosphere throughout the school. The event inspired many pupils and staff to push themselves physically and demonstrated the power of resilience, teamwork and determination.

The fundraising effort was equally impressive. Pupils and staff embraced a range of activities, including sweet sales, cake sales and the ever popular 'Soak the Teacher', helping to raise a fantastic amount of money for Mr Spear's 'gofundme'. The enthusiasm and generosity shown by the school community highlighted what can be achieved when everyone works together towards a common goal.

A huge thank you goes to everyone who donated, volunteered, took part in the fundraising activities or offered encouragement throughout the challenge. The incredible support from the Purbrook Park School community helped make the event a memorable success and demonstrated the school's values of perseverance, community spirit and kindness in action. If you would like to donate to help Mr Spear reach his target please do so via the following link:

[https://www.gofundme.com/f/purbrook-park-school-pe-department?attribution\\_id=sl:a71a7e7d-654e-47eb-a365-989890ef10c9&ts=1773436085&utm\\_campaign=natman\\_sharesheet\\_dash&utm\\_medium=custom&utm\\_source=copy\\_link](https://www.gofundme.com/f/purbrook-park-school-pe-department?attribution_id=sl:a71a7e7d-654e-47eb-a365-989890ef10c9&ts=1773436085&utm_campaign=natman_sharesheet_dash&utm_medium=custom&utm_source=copy_link)

## **Mr Bolton – Teacher of PE**

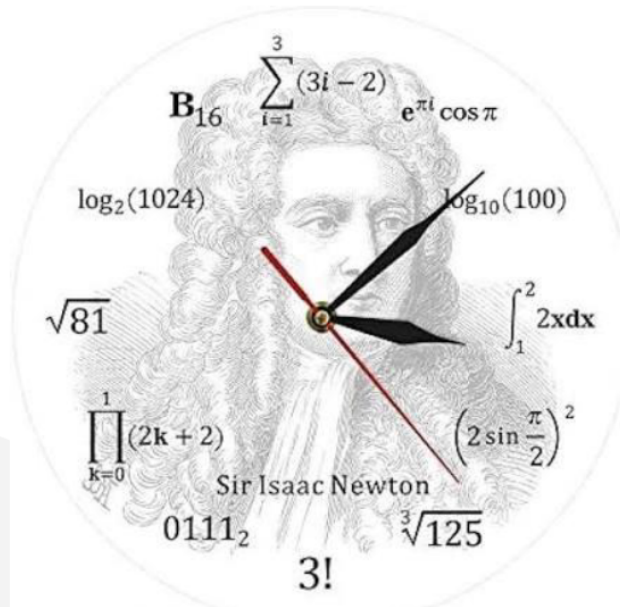




Every Thursday of Week B at PPS we will be taking part in House Competitions during the PDL session to encourage our tutees to work as a team in their Houses and to boost their competitive spirit. See below for the winners of last week's PDL House Competition who have been awarded 1000 praise points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

## House Competitions Summer Term 2026

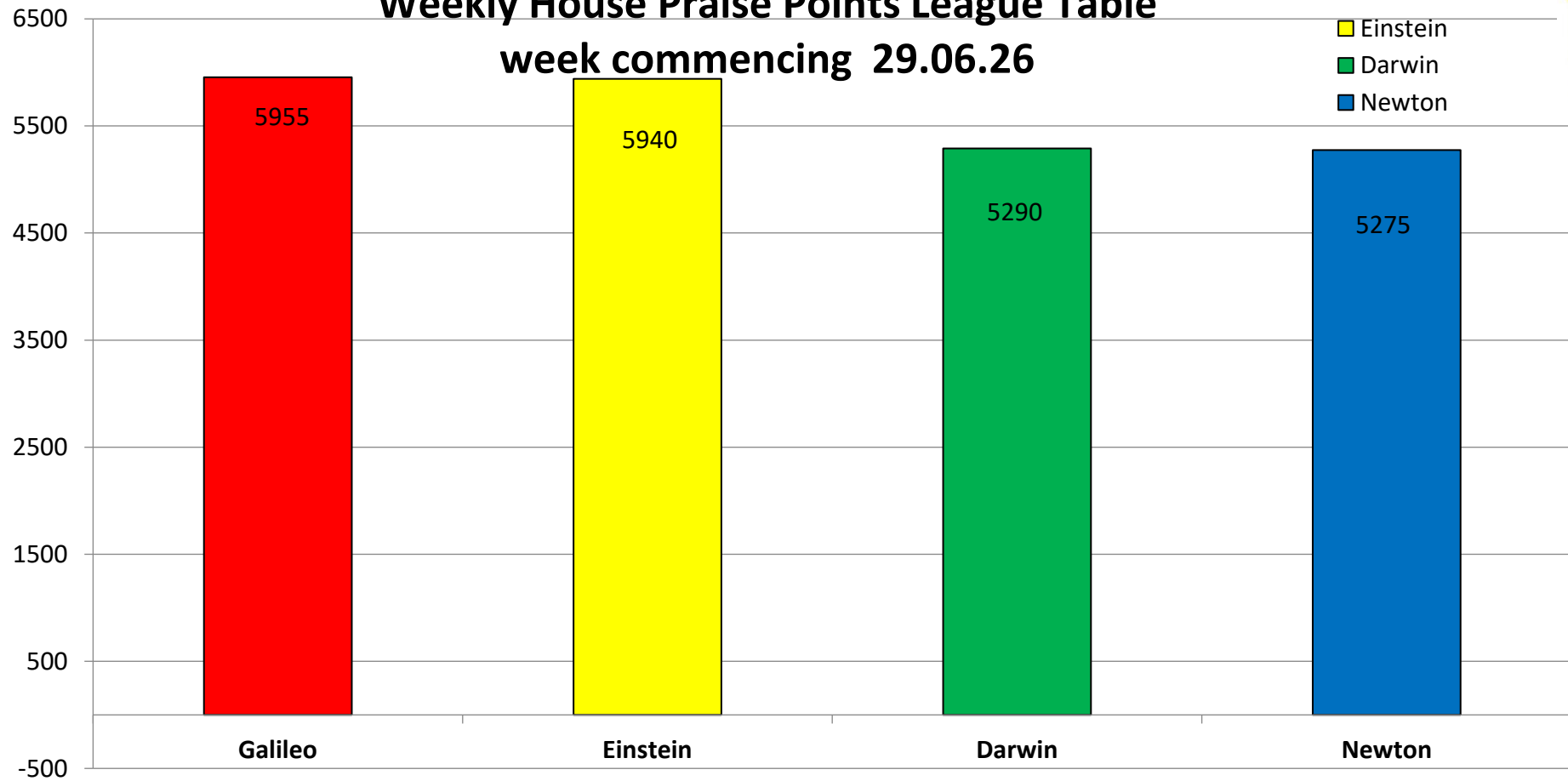
Last week the Maths Department set us a Maths challenge to test our skills and knowledge. Huge congratulations this week go to Newton House who have added a whopping 1000 points to their House Total!



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

## Weekly House Praise Points League Table week commencing 29.06.26

- Galileo
- Einstein
- Darwin
- Newton





## E- Praise Leaders This Week

| Yr 7          | Year 8        | Year 9        | Year 10       |
|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Isla<br>WBO   | Layton<br>JFR | Maddie<br>NSD | Ella<br>IPU   |
| Mai<br>HDO    | Dev<br>NBO    | Elliot<br>JMS | Esme<br>FCO   |
| Elliot<br>LWA | Lucas<br>SSR  | Macy<br>AWA   | Maisie<br>FCO |

**Thanks for all your wonderful effort!**

SEACITY  
MUSEUM

SOUTHAMPTON  
CITY ART GALLERY

TUDOR  
HOUSE  
& GARDEN

# Summer Holiday ACTIVITIES

AT SOUTHAMPTON  
MUSEUMS AND GALLERY

From £6 per activity

## ART FOR ALL

Fri 24 Jul | Print a Pangolin and More (6+)  
Tue 28 Jul | Paint with Palette Knives (7+)  
Mon 27 Jul | Fossil Plaster Casting (5+)  
Tue 28 Jul | Shrinkable Tudor Portraits (6+)  
Wed 29 Jul | Gruffalo Clay (4+)  
Thu 30 Jul | Summer Sun Prints (all ages)  
Fri 31 Jul | Fossil Plaster Casting (5+)  
Tue 4, Wed 5 Aug | Brilliant Beach Bags  
Mon 10 Aug | Clay Capybaras (5+)  
Tue 11 Aug | Surrealism Starts Here (6+)  
Wed 12 Aug | Animal Magic Monoprinting (5+)  
Mon 17 Aug | Bugs in Boxes (4+)  
Tue 18 Aug | Impressionism Starts Here (6+)  
Wed 19 Aug | Greek Pottery Pots (6+)  
Mon 24 Aug | Summer Sun Prints (all ages)  
Tue 25 Aug | Highland Cows in Clay (5+)  
Wed 26 Aug | Pencil Case Printing (5+)  
Thu 27 Aug | Pet Portrait Printing (6+)  
Fri 28 Aug | Dino Drawing and Printing (6+)

## HANDS ON HISTORY

Thu 23 Jul | Potty Prehistory (7+)  
Mon 27 Jul | Knight School (6+)  
Mon 3 Aug | Shiver Me Timbers (6+)  
Tue 4 Aug | The Hidden History of Harry Potter (5+)  
Fri 7 Aug | Discover Titanic (6+)  
Fri 14 Aug | Soaring Spitfires (7+)  
Thu 20 Aug | Great Fire of London (6+)  
Fri 21 Aug | Awesome Egyptians (7+)

## TOURS FOR ALL

Thu 6 Aug | Secrets of Southampton Castle (6+)  
Thu 13 Aug | Titanic Walking Tour (6+)  
Tue 18 Aug | Roman Southampton Walking Tour (6+)

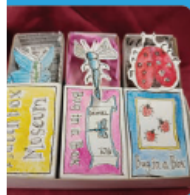
## TODDLER TIME

Thu 30 Jul | Delightful Dinosaurs (under 4s & friends)  
Thu 20 Aug | Gorgeous Birds (under 4s & friends)

## BOOK YOUR SUMMER ADVENTURE TODAY

For times, prices and locations visit our venue websites

[seacitymuseum.co.uk](http://seacitymuseum.co.uk) | [southamptoncityartgallery.com](http://southamptoncityartgallery.com) | [tudorhouseandgarden.com](http://tudorhouseandgarden.com)



# Summer Holiday FAMILY DAYS OUT

TUDOR HOUSE & GARDEN

## SUMMER FETE

SATURDAY 25 JULY 2026 | FREE ENTRY 10am - 5pm  
Join us for a day of family fun celebrating 114 years since  
Tudor House opened as a museum. Crafts, games and activities  
throughout the day\*

\*small charges will apply



## LOOKING FOR ALL DAY DROP-OFF ACTIVITIES?

Create cool things,  
learn new stuff and make  
friends at our regular clubs

From £26 a day

**CULTURE  
CLUB**  
6½ - 12 years old  
Monday to  
Wednesdays  
3 - 26 Aug

**JUNIOR ART  
SCHOOL**  
7 - 13 years old  
Fridays  
31 Jul - 28 Aug

**ART SCHOOL  
PLUS**  
11 - 16 years old  
Thursdays  
30 Jul - 27 Aug



# TOGETHERNESS



An update on

## WELLBEING FOR EVERY SCHOOL PARENT

Your NHS learning space created by psychologists

### June 2026

We're delighted to share some helpful resources for parents experiencing all the big emotions of growing children.

**Togetherness** the NHS emotional health digital learning hub funded in your area. Your family has **free access** to expert learning about childhood development, wellbeing, brain changes, and much more to help you to connect with your children.

Here's a quick round up of what we think is great on Togetherness to help your children thrive.

#### Transitions and SEND



### Moving up to secondary school for parents of children with additional needs

A digital hub of resources all about 'moving up'. Plus tailored online learning to support parents of children with additional needs to navigate the transition to secondary

[\(digital watch hub and bitesize e-learning\)](#)

#### Time to check back in?



### Understanding your child's mental health and wellbeing

A short learning pathway to help you connect feelings and behaviour with mental health

[\(bitesize e-learning\)](#)

### Baby on the way?



#### NHS safe sleep guidance: Understanding your baby

Postnatal learning that includes NHS guidance on safe sleep  
([bitesize e-learning](#))

### Let's talk toileting



#### Toilet training and confident toileting with Togetherness

Emotionally aware approaches to understanding and supporting  
positive toileting throughout childhood  
([5 minute read](#))

### Myth busting parenting



#### Why being an imperfect parent works

Clinical Psychologist shares and explains the biggest parenting  
myths  
([short video watch](#))

### Learn on WhatsApp



#### Understanding your child: from toddler to teenager

**Coming soon:** Watch out for the new WhatsApp icon for your  
learning in June: An even easier way to access learning about child  
development and emotional health from NHS experts  
([bitesize e-learning online](#))

**FREE ACCESS**