

13 June 2019

Dear Parents

As we approach the School Fair tomorrow, we are excited to have another occasion for our school community to come together. Whatever the weather we know that the tremendous organisation from Mrs Baines and Mrs Gates, the commitment of our POD reps and the enthusiasm of parents will result in a wonderful Dolphin occasion. Thank you for supporting this event. I look forward to seeing you tomorrow!

### **Year 2 Sapphires - Brighton Trip**

Year 2 had a wonderful trip to Brighton last Thursday relating to their humanities unit on The Seaside. We visited the Royal Brighton Pavillion built by George IV. The children were very impressed by the size and number of rooms - we even found out that originally there were nine kitchens! We then walked to the beach and along the pier. We were very lucky to have beautiful weather and delicious ice creams.





## Reception Diamonds – Science Museum

As part of our learning about Neil Armstrong (the first man on the moon) Reception Diamonds took part in 'Destination Space', a workshop at the Science Museum. This meant using our imaginations to travel to the International Space Station. On the way we were set different challenges by Mission Control. The doctor told us we needed to use all our available water so we had to filter dirty water - which the explainer even drank! The controller told us we needed to find the right materials for a space suit. The engineer, the planner and the scientist also set us challenges. Later we explored the hands-on area called 'The Garden' and used all our senses and worked together. We continued our learning by making other fascinating scientific discoveries in other galleries around the museum. We ended the day tired but enthralled by all the experiences we had enjoyed.

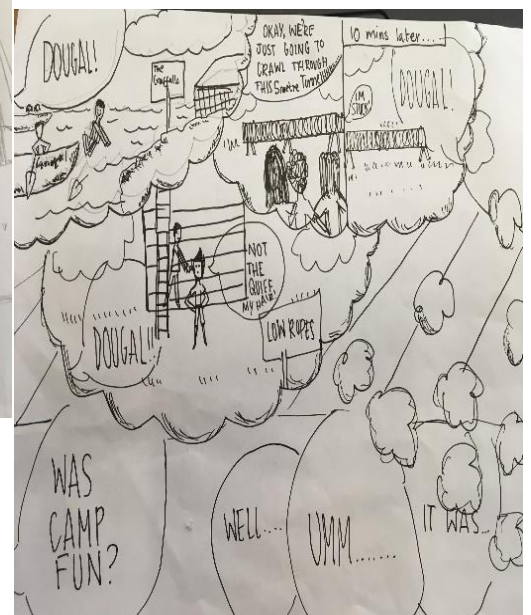


## Year 6 Aquamarines - Viney Hill Residential Trip

With heavily loaded bags and a spring in our step, we set off bright and early on our camping adventures. Having navigated three different trains and stations, we arrived at Viney Hill, Gloucester, ready for action. Over the course of the next three days, we all took part in a variety of exciting, challenging and fear-facing activities; each person having their own personal favourite. Hot chocolate around the campfire each evening gave us the opportunity to reflect on the day and the life lessons that had been learnt. Despite the abundance of fresh air and high levels of activity, sleep was minimal! This did not dampen our spirits however, and a great time was had by all. - Evie



- # the best trip ever!
- # jumping out of a canoe- wow!
- # obstacle course- ouch!
- # bucket loads of fun!
- # most awesome activities ever!
- # fun times
- # best hot chocolate ever
- # Facing fears!
- # marshmallows on fire!
- # best pancakes ever
- # brace can't ruin a residential!





Viney Hill





### **Friday 21 June – New Parents' Tea at 13.30**

A reminder that this is the afternoon when we welcome the parents of next year's Reception children. We would be extremely grateful to receive lots of cakes, cupcakes and sandwiches. Mrs Benson asks (with huge gratitude in anticipation of your kindness) whether parents would be able to bake neat and easy-to-eat cakes, cupcakes (it's a standing buffet) and provide a variety of sandwiches, including some gluten-free items if possible. Please remember that we cannot accept anything with nuts in it. If you might be able to help, please would you fill in the details [here](#) by Thursday 13 June.

Please note that owing to the New Parents' Tea, it would be a great help if children **do not** bring their bikes or scooters into school on Friday 21 June, due to the lack of space.

### **Second Hand Uniform Sale – 21 June 15:30**

The second hand uniform sale which is for the new parents visiting on the 21 June, has now kindly been extended so that the whole school can participate. It will run from 15.30 in the church. If you have any second hand uniform please do drop it into the school office in advance.

### **Set Building Party**

The *Wind in the Willows* has captured the imaginations of children the world over. Now, as your children prepare for this year's inspiring production of the well loved tale, we are bubbling with ideas to help create the set and props for this adventure-in-the-making. If you would like to come join us this Saturday 15 June (and/or 29 June) to help put together the lush stage set, please let Mrs Saunders know (as it is useful for planning the day)! We are looking for builders, painters, creators and helpers of all varieties. [receptionist@dolphinschool.org.uk](mailto:receptionist@dolphinschool.org.uk)

### **POD Summer Fair Notice**

The Adventure playground was broken into at the weekend and suffered vandalism so they will be checking wristbands to allow us entry on Friday. PLEASE DON'T FORGET YOUR WRISTBANDS - We don't have many spares. We would love to bless this local charity with a large amount of cash so please do give generously to the raffle. It will really help this deserving charity get back on its feet.

You will find a new map of the Summer Fair attached with this newsletter.

### **Sports Report**

#### **Tuesday 11 June Y3/4 Boys' Cricket v The Roche**

The boys played four matches of cricket against the Roche. They enjoyed a very successful afternoon winning all four matches in a clean sweep. Special mention to Stanley, Ben, Matthew, Sebastian and Louis for their strong play.

#### **Wednesday 12 June Y5/6 Girls' Cricket v Finton House**

Although the girls played well and are continuing to improve, they lost their matches. All three teams did their best against very strong Finton sides. Special mention to Aavani and Amelie for their committed play.

## Staff News

I am delighted to be able to tell you that Ms Torr and her husband are expecting a baby in the Autumn. Our existing SEND team members, Mrs O'Brien and Mrs Absalom, will be increasing their hours to cover for Ms Torr during her maternity leave.

Ms Torr will still be with us in September and will work with parents and pupils to ensure a smooth transition.

## Tomorrow

It is the turn of parents of children in Reception and Y1EM to visit classrooms. Parent Prayers will take place as usual at 08.50 in the Music Room. Our Assembly will be at 11.15, and all parents are warmly invited.

With best wishes

*N. S. Baldwin*

**Mrs N S Baldwin**  
**Principal**



## Upcoming events in the Summer Term 2019

Summer uniform			
Friday 14 June	POD School Fair	16.00 – 18.00	Wandsworth Common
Tues 18 – Sat 22 June	'The Life of Christ' production		Wintershall Estate, Surrey
Tues 18 June	Y3/Y4 Girls' Cricket v Broomwood	13.45	Wandsworth Common
Thurs 20 June	Y3/Y4 Boys' Cricket v Hornsby House	13.45	Battersea Ironsides
Friday 21 June	Assembly – Reception Diamonds	11.15	Church
Friday 21 June	Y5 Girls' Cricket v Oakfield	14.00	Rosendale Playing Fields
Friday 21 June	New Parents' Tea	13.30	School
Mon 24 – Wed 26 June	Hooke Court (Year 5)		Residential Trip
Wednesday 3 July	Piano Workshop	15.45	Hall
Tuesday 9 July	Summer Production	10.30 for 10.45	School
Tuesday 9 July	Summer Production	16.30 for 17.00	School
Wednesday 10 July	Summer Production	18.30 for 19.00	School
Thursday 11 July	Final Assembly	11:00	School
Thursday 11 July	End of term	12:30	School