

DATES TO LOOK OUT FOR

Monday 27th May – Friday 31st May – Half Term

Monday 3rd and Tuesday 4th June – Year 10 Parental Consultation

Tuesday 4th June - HPL Presentation Afternoon

Wednesday 5th June – ISA Athletics Meet

Thursday 6th June – Year 7 Geography Hengistbury Head

Thursday 6th June – Year 8 Trip to Wicked, Mayflower Theatre

Friday 7th June - FROGS Pizza, Pop and Prosecco Evening (sign up here)

Saturday 8th June – Year 9 Bronze Final D of E Bronze Expedition



TGS News

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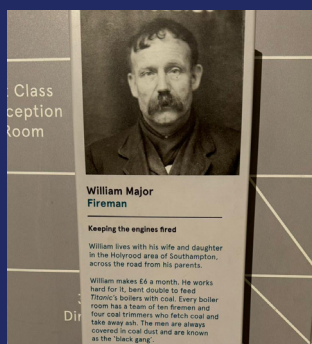
The pupils were absolutely fascinated by this as they discovered yet another connection to the infamous voyage. The Titanic's Captain Smith lived in Winn Road and the last living survivor, Millvina Dean, was herself a Gregg School Pupil.



The pupils asked many questions, looked through photographs and books and learned about William's life. The outstanding highlight for them was to handle the actual belt worn by Mrs Sellers's great grandfather when he was on the Titanic as part of his fireman's uniform.



Titanic Tale - a real story...



Form 4 at The Gregg Prep have been studying the Titanic and its connection to Southampton in their recent topic lessons. Mrs Sellers popped over and talked to them about how her great grandfather William Major (Wally)

was not only a fireman on the Titanic but ... a survivor!

They were astonished to learn that William had been dragged out of the icy water wearing it as he was pulled on board the rescue ship Carpathia and taken to Newfoundland where he was transferred to Plymouth on the SS Lapland.

There is further information about the repatriation of the survivors on the link below:

<https://bit.ly/4dle2jQ>

Form 4 invited Mrs Sellers to accompany them on their visit to the Sea City Museum on the following Tuesday (as she had never visited) and she was amazed to see so many pictures of William - eagerly spotted by our Prep students!

Their guide was extremely surprised and excited to hear about our amazing Titanic links and knew a great deal about the life of William Major.

Mrs Sellers will be visiting again!



Junior UKMT Challenge



Well done to the 40 students in Year 7 and 8 who took part in the Junior UKMT challenge earlier this month.

The challenge promotes mathematical reasoning through a series of non-routine problems, such as:

In a school, one fifth of the students have blue eyes. One tenth of the left-handed students have blue eyes. One quarter of the right-handed

students have blue eyes. What fraction of the students are left-handed?

A one third, B one quarter, C one fifth, D one eighth or E one tenth (answer below)

The Maths Department are proud of the all the students who took part in this House Competition; between them they achieved 14 bronze, 7 silver and 2 gold awards. The overall winner was Roman House.

A special mention needs to extend to Richard P (Yr 8) and Daniel G (Yr 7) who achieved best in year. Mr Dullaghan

Answer: A one third

Silver D of E Practice Expedition



Three Year 10 Silver DofE groups Alpha, Bravo and Charlie completed their silver practice expedition last weekend. For their practice expedition all groups have to camp for two nights and walk for two days before they can take their final expedition later in the year. Groups have to be self sufficient, cooking their own food and carrying all their equipment.



After a fairly good night's sleep camping at the school it was up early to get ready for a long day's walking. Tents were packed away into rucksacks and breakfast was cooked on their Trangias before setting off to the New Forest.



The groups were dropped off at various locations in the northern part of the New Forest to embark on routes of around 15km heading south towards Holmsley campsite.

A few groups covered extra miles due to minor map reading errors but they all arrived in good time with tales of boggy paths and wet feet! After arriving, it was time to set up camp, cook dinner and think about bed. Most of the boys still had enough energy to play an improvised game of cricket with a stick and tennis ball!



An early rise at 7am on Sunday morning gave everyone enough time to cook breakfast and pack up. There were a few groans as rucksacks were put on to aching backs, but everyone seemed determined to get it done.



The second day of walking had more amazing weather and they all made good progress through their checkpoints and onto their final destination.

The whole weekend was a great success with a few learning points (carry less stuff!) and maybe a bit more practice at getting used to carrying equipment would help for their final expedition in September, but it was a great achievement and quite an adventure.



Thanks to all students who represented the school brilliantly during the weekend and also to the staff who gave up their weekend to help - Mr Gillespie, Mrs Gibbs, Mrs Pickett and Mr Cooper.



Double Football Winner!

Well done to Year 8 student James MG whose Saturday football team Havant & Waterlooville won their league trophy in the U13 Mid Solent league last weekend.

James was the top scorer for his league scoring 29 goals and was the joint 8th top scorer for the whole of the Mid Solent leagues across all age groups.



James' Sunday team Havant & Waterlooville also won their league trophy in the Portsmouth youth football league. James was second top scorer in his division with 47 goals and was 3rd top scorer across all age groups for this league.

Well done James and your incredible goal scoring!

Sailing Success



Congratulations to Year 8 student Harry O'C who came 1st last weekend in the RS Feva Anniversary event at Hayling Island sailing club.

This is the multi class event of 2024 and Harry did very well to

win 1st prize in a two handed boat with his friend Cassius Day.

June Open Day

We would like to invite you all to our Open Day on Saturday 22nd June 10am – 1 pm.

Bring your family and friends to wander around the school and gardens, take part in activities, listen to music, watch drama sketches and enjoy refreshments in our beautiful grounds. We look forward to seeing you!



Charity News

Clarendon Way Walk for Naomi House and Jacksplace

As well as the forthcoming Clarendon Way Challenge and Mini Clarendon Walk, Mrs Edwards (a parent here) embarked on her own epic trekking challenge last weekend. Mrs Edwards completed a climb of Ben Nevis in 28



degree heat and found it a fabulous experience. As Naomi House & Jacksplace is a charity close to her heart she has very kindly donated £780 that she has raised to The Gregg School's contribution pot. Thank you Mrs Edwards and well done!

If you would like to contribute to this challenge please use the link below:

<https://bit.ly/3xMxLhR>

Sign up for Pizza, Pop and Prosecco!



The FROGS would like to welcome you to their Summer Family Pizza, POP & Prosecco evening on Friday 7th June 2024.

We hope to see you there. Please book on the link below:

<https://forms.office.com/e/4QyEVjH0zc>



