



FINISHING LINE SPORTS DAY ROUND UP



It was fantastic to see our students performing so well for their houses in this years sports day. A first Thank You goes to all students who performed or helped yesterday to make the event run so smoothly. A second and third Thank You goes to our Heads of house and staff who rallied all day for us to finish bang on time at the end of the relays - thank you.

Although the weather was a little unpredictable, we managed to hold out for a fantastic day where records were broken as well as people's eardrums with the addition of Mr Bayfords megaphone!

Annie G was our new highest ever Year 7 High Jumper and Jay J smashed a 20 year Triple Jump record. Zoe S broke the discuss record which had stood for five years, then a mere throws later Bonnie K broke new the record. Trojan house were crowned victors this year and held the Trojan flag high for Ms Carter while she is away with Mrs Wynn in Malawi.



The PE team also didn't want to miss this opportunity to say thank you to Mr Whitford, who leaves this summer, you've been amazing!

The PE Team



Thanks again to everyone who helped, supported and especially those parents who won the relay, putting Mr Bartlett and Mr Whitford to shame!





July has been a very busy for our students. At the beginning of the month the Year 7 and 8s headed off for their camp weeks.

Year 7 went to Cumulus Outdoors in Dorest and our Year 8s headed over the Severn bridge to their camp in the Brecon Beacons. We also ran a Home Camp for students staying at school.



The following week our Year 9s went 'across the pond' to spend five days in France.

That week also saw our Year 10s go out to work for their work experience placements.

For a full summary of these trips please read our Camp Week newsletters on our website. All of the photos from these activities can be found on Firefly.





ACHIEVEMENT EVENING

REALISING PERSONAL BEST

On Tuesday we had the opportunity to celebrate the considerable achievements of our students at Gregg School Achievement Evening.

This year, we had more prize-winners than ever before with over 150 gaining special recognition. 87% of students took part in a Valor activity and 97 students have earned a Valor Certificate.

Our top 49 students gained a Valor Additus award which demonstrated their high levels of commitment to school and themselves.

The top achievers this year were Charlotte N, Marty S, Harriet F and Florence B who achieved the highest number of hours in Years 10,9,8 and 7 respectively. We congratulate them, and all of our Valor winners.

In addition to Valor, students also be gained Mercury awards for their outstanding academic work, their resilience as learners or demonstrating their unfailing contribution to our whole school programmes such as RESPECT and ABIDE.

All of the photos from the evening can be found on Firefly.



HOUSE CHESS COMPETITION 2025

This year's House Chess Competition was a fantastic success, running throughout the academic year and bringing together students of all skill levels in a celebration of strategic thinking and friendly rivalry.

The standard of play was impressively high, with many experienced players demonstrating sharp tactical skills and deep knowledge of the game. Equally heartening was the participation of several novice players, who eagerly embraced the challenge and showed great enthusiasm for learning the intricacies of chess.

One of the highlights of the competition was the wonderful spirit of camaraderie among participants. Students frequently shared tactics, offered advice, and cheered each other on, embodying the supportive values of The Gregg.

Congratulations to Finley M (Yr 8), our overall individual champion, whose exceptional play and consistent performance earned them the top spot. A special mention also goes to Ryan J (Yr 7), the runner-up, who showed remarkable skill and determination throughout the competition.

Spartan emerged as the overall House Winner, showcasing depth in talent and strong teamwork across the board.

We look forward to building on this success next year, continuing to foster a love for chess and the valuable skills it teaches our students.



WILDLIFE POND LEGACY PROJECT

As part of the School's Legacy project, our teachers have been busy building a wildlife pond. The aim is for the pond to be used to enhance the teaching of Ecology and to produce Fact Files of all of the plants and animals found in this new aquatic habitat.



PETANQUE

The annual House Petanque Competition took place this week with Romans coming out on top.





MAKING MEMORIES IN MALAWI

School Expedition to Malawi – An Exciting Start!

We're thrilled to share that our students have safely arrived in Malawi for their much-anticipated expedition. After a long journey, they have spent two days in Lilongwe settling in, getting to know their new surroundings, and recharging their energy levels.

The group is in great spirits and already soaking up the vibrant culture and stunning landscapes. The adventure continues today as they set off to climb the majestic Mount Mulanje, ready to embrace the challenge and create unforgettable memories.



LEGO CLUB

Building Fun Every Friday!

It's been another exciting year in Lego Club. Every Friday lunchtime, students from all year groups come together to build, create, and let their imaginations run wild.

From towering structures to inventive designs, there's always something amazing taking shape.

We wrap up each session with a friendly chat and a biscuit — the perfect way to celebrate our creations!





JUNIOR UKMT MATHS CHALLENGE

A Celebration of Mathematical Excellence

In May, selected students from Years 7 and 8 took part in the prestigious Junior UKMT Maths Challenge, an annual competition designed to test and enhance mathematical problem-solving skills through non-routine style questions.

The challenge, run by the UK Mathematics Trust (UKMT), provides young mathematicians with an opportunity to engage in thought-provoking problems that encourage creative approaches to reasoning and logic. Unlike standard curriculum exercises, the challenge requires students to think outside the box, applying mathematical concepts in unexpected and intriguing ways.

This year, participants from the school demonstrated exceptional skill and determination, achieving outstanding results. Their hard work and commitment to problem-solving were rewarded with an impressive tally of medals:

2 Gold medals

5 Silver medals

15 Bronze medals

A huge congratulations to all participants for their remarkable achievements! A special mention to Allisa O (yr 8) and Ryan Jacob (yr 7), who achieved "best in year".

Past UKMT papers and solutions can be found on the UKMT website and also DrFrost.

SAFE 4 ME PARENTS

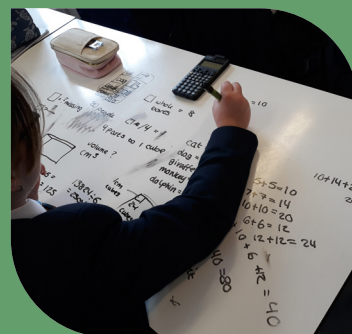
The Safe 4 Me website provides parents with information and resources to help educate, guide and support children and young people to keeping safe.

<https://www.safe4me.co.uk/parents/>



THANK YOU FROGS

Thank you to the FROGS who recently purchased the following items for the school: Bell Tent & a low ropes course for our Forest School area and white board desks for Maths. We are very grateful for the fundraising work the committee does and that families support their efforts, all in order to enrich the students' experience at school.

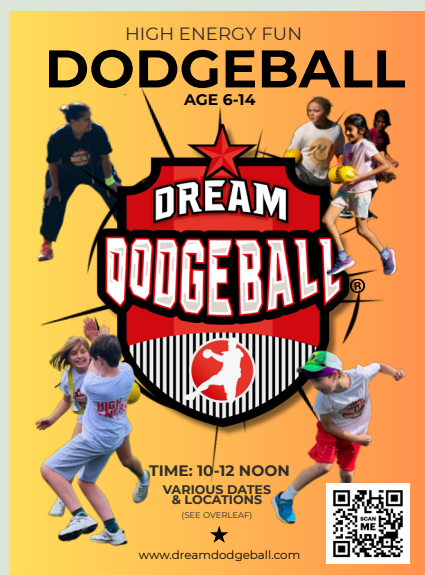




COLLEGE OPEN DAYS

Sparsholt College - 4th October
Peter Symonds College - 1&2nd Oct
Barton Peveril College - 24th Sep
Brockenhurst College - 27th Sep & 18th Oct
Burgate sixth form open day - 23rd Oct
Fareham College - 14th Oct
Itchen College - 9th Oct
Richard Taunton Sixth Form College 8th Oct
Southampton City College - 21st Oct
Eastleigh College - 22nd Oct
St Annes Sixth Form 9th Oct
UTC Portsmouth - 1st Oct

SUMMER ACTIVITY



TOWNHILL PARK HOUSE EVENTS

TEA AND SCANDAL!
Join us for a dish of tea, cakes and gossip, in the company of writer & historian
Dr Cheryl Butler
Hear about the scandals of the day that so enthralled Jane Austen and inspired the plots in *Pride & Prejudice* and *Sanditon*!
Sunday 20th July 2025
1.30pm - 4pm £25 per person
www.townhillparkhouse.co.uk
events@thegreggschools.org
Townhill Park House, Cutbush lane, Southampton SO18 3RR

Jane Austen's
Northanger Abbey
Adapted by
Matthew Francis
Tickets £15
Romance, mystery, and misunderstandings!
On Tour
Mon 7 - Sat 26 July
See website for venues, dates, times and booking details
maskers.org.uk
This amateur production of "Northanger Abbey" is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals Ltd. on behalf of Samuel French Ltd. www.concordtheatricals.co.uk



KEY DATES AT SCHOOL

Monday - Friday 28th- 1st August
Year 6 Activity Week

Wednesday 3rd of September
Inset Day

Thursday 4th of September
Year 7 Start of Term

Friday 5th of September
Start of Term

Wednesday 17th September
School Photos

Thursday 18th of September
Yr 10 Information and Curry Night
Malawi 25 Memories Evening

Friday 19th of September
Inset Day

Thursday 25th September
Euro Cafe

Tuesday 30th September
Yr 9 Trip to Bovington

Thursday 9th October
TGS Open Evening

16th to 19th October
Munich & Nuremburg Trip

20th to 26th October
Half Term

Wishing you a lovely summer!