## THE SWEYNE PARK TIMES

### "Fabulous Feet"

Sydney-May Mifsud reporting...



On Saturday 29th October, our dance school in Hullbridge called "Fabulous Feet" had some very talented dance students who performed in a show to celebrate their 25th Anniversary. The "Fabulous Feet" dance show was called "Reflections" and our dance teacher, Miss Jacquie, picked her favourite performances over the last 25 years and put on a spectacular show! There were many pupils involved including: Madison, Jessica, Tamar, Georgia, Caitlin, Evie, Lily, Ella, Jessica and myself. Our dance teacher, Miss Charge, performed as well. It was an amazing experience for us to be part of. We have all been rehearsing for the show since March and have

shown real commitment and dedication to learning the dances.

## Headlines by Andy Hodgkinson

### A PRODUCTIVE TERM

On behalf of all the staff and Governors at School, I would to thank you, the parents and carers, for all your support behind the scenes these last few weeks. Our pupils have had another productive term, although I am conscious that everyone is now ready for the holidays. May I also take this opportunity to wish all our families the very best for the Festive Season, and to wish you all a Happy New Year.

#### STAFFING UPDATE

Sarah Jackson, who teaches Media and English, is leaving us this term in order to secure a job nearer to home. I would like to thank her for her contribution to the School and to welcome Gemma Priddle to the English Department in January. We also welcome back Ms Robertson and Ms Tyler, from maternity leave in the New Year.

#### START OF TERM

Please can I remind everyone that the new School Year starts on Monday 9th January 2017 at the normal time of 8.40am. I would also like to wish Year 13 well for their important mock exams which begin on 11th January 2017.

### Parents' Time

A member of the Leadership Team will be available to see parents without appointment:

> 9:00am-9:45am Monday - Friday 5:00pm-5:45pm Thursdays



















21st December 2016

## Book of the Term

Boy X By Dan Smith

Ash wakes up to discover he has been drugged, kidnapped and taken to a remote tropical island. What is going on? Why have his senses all heightened and why has his Mum been infected with a deadly virus? Ash must escape to save her, but he has only 24 hours to do it and the jungle is filled with plants and creatures like no other, and his captors want him back.

An exciting, action-packed, adrenalin-drenched read!



THE MOST LOANED BOOK THIS TERM!



### **DUTY PUPILS**

Thank you for all your help:

Megan & Felix (8SJa) Oliver, Tyler, Lucas & Jacob (8LWo) Kiera (8LAs) Emily (8JBo)

Please carry on saving your used stamps for us over Christmas. We will send them to the RNIB for fundraising. Please bring them to Main Reception.

Thank you.

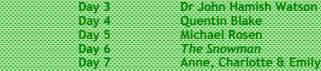
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WELL DONE to everyone who took part this year - and congratulations to James

(12FYa), Marian (7CCa), Molly & Evie (8DGa), Lucas (8LWo), Mrs Briggs & Mrs Stillwell who got every question correct!







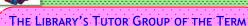
Day 1

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### 7HFE

CONGRATULATIONS - FOR THE MOST LIBRARY
BOOK LOANS

We will be disposing of lost property the first week back in January 2017.

We have a lot of unclaimed items in Pupil Services, so please do come and have a look if your child has lost anything.

Thank you.

**Learning New Dance Routines** 





Carol Service at Holy Trinity Church



# Year 7

### Marie Taylor reporting...

Having just completed their first full term with us, our Year 7 pupils are now firmly established at Sweyne Park and they are proving themselves to be intelligent, enthusiastic, talented and respectful youngsters. It has been a pleasure to watch them at work over the last few months and to see many of them develop both academically and socially within all of the opportunities that they have taken up so far. It has certainly been a busy few months for Year 7.

We welcomed outside guests including Winston from Pineapple Dance Studios who had wonderful things to say about our pupils. On Monday we escorted our year group to Holy Trinity for our annual Christmas Carol Service where our pupils were wonderful role models within the wider community. Some of our pupils were even brave enough to speak at the event!

All of our Year 7 tutor groups have also prepared and performed wonderful, international assemblies as part of our One World Week celebrations.

Year 7 are proving to be an incredibly sporty year group with many successes in recent rugby and netball matches. Our pupils are trying their hand at a wide range of new and exciting sporting opportunities and I am very much looking forward to seeing how their talents progress in this area.

As well as achieving great things within the classroom, it would seem that Year 7 are very thoughtful and caring youngsters who show great empathy for others. Many Year 7 pupils supported the wonderful charity events this week which were superbly organised by our Sixth Form Charity Committee. Several Year 7 tutors were even brave enough to participate in these events, much to the delight of the pupils!

Keep up the excellent work, Year 7.





Reading by Charlotte (7LGr)



School Choir performing "Rocking Around The Christmas Tree"



Reading by Luke (7JBl)

