

THE SWEYNE PARK TIMES

The Jack Petchey Annual Awards Ceremony

Sue Donovan reporting...

In December, the Jack Petchey Award winners and I travelled to "The Paddocks" on Canvey Island for the Annual Awards Ceremony. The event is really uplifting with lots of performances and celebrations for the Award winners from all the Castle Point & Rochford Schools as well as some Scout and Guide groups.



All winners went on stage to meet the Mayor and receive their medals. It was a lovely evening enjoyed by all.

Congratulations to some of our Award Winners who are pictured here.

Headlines by Andy Hodgkinson

THANK YOU

Thank you, once again, for your support during a very productive half-term. Please can I remind families that we return from the half-term holiday on Monday 20th February, at the normal time of 8.40am. May I also take this opportunity to wish those pupils on the New York trip and the Ski trip a safe journey and a very enjoyable experience.

APOLOGIES

I would like to apologise for the fact that some of our parents received multiple emails with the Swayne Park Times on Friday. We try very hard not to pester families with emails, and so I realise this

is annoying. We have contacted the service provider to express our displeasure and we are going to trial a new distribution email to see if that helps.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to our School Council for the excellent start they have made to their roles, since being elected. Ed Hawkings, Assistant Headteacher, works closely with the pupils and will shortly be producing a centrespread on the work they are undertaking - watch this space!

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



Your weekly link with the school

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Book of the Week



A QUIET KIND OF THUNDER
by Sara Barnard



A romance for St Valentine's Day next week! "Steffi doesn't talk. Rhys can't hear. They understand each other perfectly. Love isn't always a lightning strike. Sometimes it's the rumbling roll of thunder..."

A stunning new novel from the author of *Beautiful Broken Things*.



10th February 2017

DUTY PUPILS

Thank you for all your help:

George, William, Leon & Alexis (8JBo)
Ben & Molly (8DGa)
Danny, McKenzie, Freddie & James (8SJa)

Pupil Services

THE PTA HAVE ADVENTURE ISLAND TICKETS FOR SALE:

BIG BANDS: £15.00

SEA LIFE TICKETS FOR £4.00

TINA: 0797 3765320
MICHELLE: 0784 6620554

BOOK IN A BOX COMPETITION

WORLD BOOK DAY - THURSDAY 2ND MARCH

Get yourself an empty shoebox, cereal box or medium sized box. Inside the box create a scene/story from one of your favourite books.

You could use a variety of objects to create your book in a box, including models, Lego, drawings or whatever you can create! Don't forget to add your name, tutor group and the title of the book on your box.

Completed boxes are to be handed in by **Wednesday 1st March**. Winners will be announced in the Library at **BREAK ON World Book Day, Thursday 2nd March**. **Good Luck!**



GET CAUGHT READING!

WORLD BOOK DAY - Thursday 2nd March

We want YOU to Get Caught Reading!

So, from Monday 20th February (after half-term), each time you are spotted reading before or after school, at break or at lunch, you will be given a raffle ticket.

All raffle tickets will go into a hat and prizes will be drawn in the Library at Break on World Book Day.

Our team of spotters including Mrs Waghorn, prefects & Library monitors will be out and about on reading patrol!

The more times you are caught reading, the better your chance at winning a prize!

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Good Luck!



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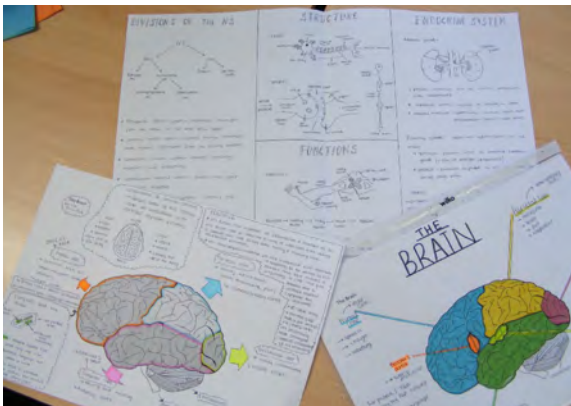


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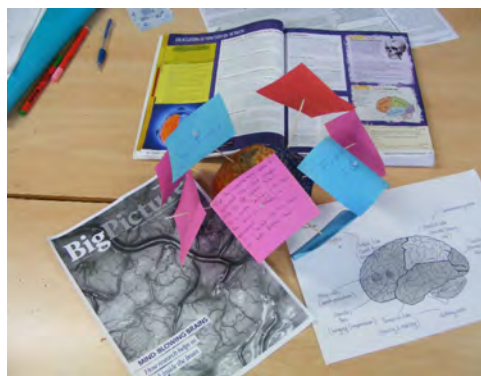
Psychology

Jennifer Porter reporting...

Year 13 are studying the structure and functions of the brain. They produced models to consolidate their knowledge and help them visualise these structures. This week we have been researching the plasticity of the brain and discussing evidence of how the brain can repair itself over time.



“Eight hours of hard work and determination went into this mind map. I find that diagrams and colour coordination help me to learn and recall information.” *Molly (13RCh)*



The labels here show brain localisation



Mia (13ACI) & Katie (13SBo)



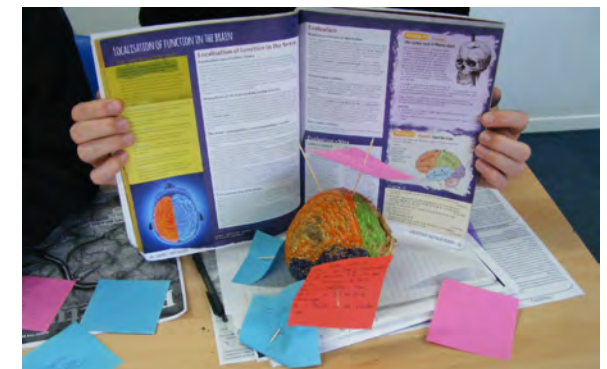
Josh (13RHa) & Sam (13RCh)



The completed models showing a range of information about brain functions



Shauna (13ACI), Adam (13WTu),
Tom (13RHa) & Sam (13RCh)



Content from the textbook is summarised