# THE SWEYNE PARK TIMES

## **Belle's Crufts Success!**



Belle (10MCu) reporting...

My dog is called Ami. She is a five-year-old Border Collie. We bred Ami ourselves so have had her since she was born. We have done agility training with Ami since she was a year old and in the three years she has been competing she has progressed to her current level. At Crufts 2017 I competed with Ami in the YKC Jumping Dog of the Year. We won our height category and won the overall competition as well. This is the second

year we have won this competition so hope to keep the title going next year as well.

During the last three years Ami and I have competed at *Crufts, Discover Dogs and Olympia* and have been selected to represent the Junior Team GB at the European Junior Agility Championships for two years running. Last year it was held in

Slovakia, where I won a Gold, a Silver and a Bronze medal. This year, it will be held in Luxembourg in July. I have been doing agility training for nine years. I started when I was six years old after watching my Mum compete. I was given an older, experienced dog to start with, learning the basics until eventually, in 2012, I got my own dog, Ami.

### Headlines by Andy Hodgkinson

#### **PUNCTUALITY**

Thank you for your support in ensuring pupils arrive punctually for school. Unfortunately, I am aware that various roadworks are causing major delays to some of our buses at the moment. With this in mind, if your child has a public exam, you may want to make alternative arrangements in the morning as clearly arriving on time for these is imperative.

However, please be assured that pupils will not be sanctioned if they arrive late due to unavoidable bus delays. Can I also

ask parents and carers to please remind their children to sign in at Pupil Services if they arrive late at school. Thank you.

#### REVISION

Over half-term, we will be running a number of revision classes for Year 11 and Sixth Form students. The timetable is on our website and pupils already have a copy. Feedback from our Parents' Forum was very positive after the Easter revision sessions, so please do encourage your son/daughter to attend.

#### AND FINALLY...

A reminder that school finishes at the normal time of 3.00pm next Friday before we break up for half-term. Thank you.

















# Book of the Week

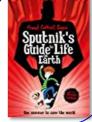
SPUTNIK'S GUIDE TO LIFE ON EARTH by Frank Cottrell-Boyce

Prez lives with his foster family on a small farm, and he never speaks a word. Then, one day Prez opens the door to Sputnik, who everyone else pats on the head and seems to think he is a dog. But Sputnik is writing a book, *Ten Things Worth Doing on Earth*, and takes Prez along to help him find them!

A witty and laugh-out-loud story which is also heartwarming and touching.



SHORT-LISTED FOR THE CARNEGIE MEDAL 2017
WILL IT WIN?



### **Non-Uniform Day Donations**

The Alzheimer's Society	£ 95.00
GOSH	£ 405.60
Little Havens	£ 331.25
Stem 4	£ 179.20
Tanzania	£ 210.35

19th May 2017

### **DUTY PUPILS**

Thank you for all your help:

Kieron, Erin, Miles, Leighton, Jessica & Sophia (7CCa) Tommy & Ellie (7SCm) Josh & Grace (7CWi)

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





Total Non-uniform

### SUMMER CONCERT

£1221.40

MONDAY 10TH JULY
MAIN HALL, 7PM START
TICKETS FROM PUPIL SERVICES

£3.00 ADULTS

£2.00 CONCESSIONS



Improving our reading skills



Le dîner était bon! (Dinner tasting)



On a écouté les examens GCSE (we listened to GCSE past papers)

# Modern Foreign Languages

#### Tania Dickens reporting...

35 pupils from Year 11, who will shortly take their German and French GCSE exams, left Sweyne Park School for a very intensive weekend of Language learning with their language teachers - Mrs Stenson, Miss Wigg, Miss Law, Mr Woolnough and myself.

Straight after our arrival at Lee Valley Youth Hostel our revision sessions started with four one-hour sessions in which we worked in small groups.

On Saturday, we studied for another four sessions. Miss Taylor also joined us and practised yet more different skills with us.

During these sessions we practised listening and reading skills, using a variety of strategies to complete numerous tasks and activities, including past exam papers. Other areas we covered were: gap-fill tasks, true/false answers, synonyms, false friends, as well as a game to challenge our general understanding of German and French, putting into practice approaches and knowledge gained to date. Overnight the pupils had to learn 40 new words of vocabulary for a test in the first session on Saturday!

Pupils felt that this weekend had been most valuable for them, assisting in their deeper understanding of the language, as well as gaining skills and strategies to assist in successful completion of the forthcoming exams. All of what has been learnt this weekend will be reinforced in lessons.

### MFL Learning sites:

www.memrise.com www.vocabexpress.com http://www.languagesonline.org.uk



Wir sind Detektive (we are detectives)



Hard at work! Totally concentrated...



Schöner Ausblick, aber kalt! (Nice view, but cold)



Wir suchen falsche Freunde (we're looking for False Friends)