

Jack Petchey Award Winners



Sue Donovan reporting...

We have an amazing range of activities that our pupils get involved in. Each term I ask pupils to make a nomination for someone they know is working hard at something in a quiet way that might go unnoticed. The huge amount of nominations are then given to the School Council for them to choose three winners. The winners receive a badge, a certificate, they have their name added to the role of honour in the school foyer plus they have an award of £250 to spend in an area

of school of their choosing.

Keira, Year 7, was nominated by her peers as, despite being a home carer, she always finds time to cheer others up. She shared her award of £250 between Music and Art, buying new keyboards and art resources text books.

Khushi, Year 8, received her award as she is always nice to people and encourages them to do better. She helps when people are stuck or upset. She shared her award of £250 between Music, buying a variety of percussion equipment, and fiction books for the Library.

Aaron, Year 10, was sponsored to swim 7km with two other boys and raised £1000 for Little Havens Hospice. He donated all his £250 to PE to improve the equipment for cricket.

Headlines by Andy Hodgkinson

PUPIL PLANNERS

As you are aware, we are moving to a new online homework system in September called "Show my Homework", and we will be providing further details to you in advance of this. Certainly, feedback from pupils and our Parents' Forum has been very positive. However, one question raised was whether we would still keep pupil planners, as most schools that have moved to an online system, no longer provide them. After consultation, we have decided to keep the planners as parents and pupils do still find them useful. The planner will be a scaled-down version, but will still contain all the key information relating to the school year.

PTA

As we come to the end of another school year, I am sad to say that nearly all our current PTA members, who have been such loyal, long-serving friends to the school, are now at the point where their children are leaving Sweyne Park. In particular, I would like to thank Michelle Terry, Tina Bridge, Julie Haworth, Susie Peacher and Laura Wright for their services to the PTA over many years. With this in mind, if any other parents would like to now join our PTA, with a view to keeping it as the vibrant organisation that it currently is, please do contact Richard Bradley at the school. There is no need to commit to attend every meeting, and you can dip in and out. However support at school events and help with fundraising schemes really does make a difference. Thank you.

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DUTY PUPILS

Thank you for all your help:

Levi & Charlie (7CCa)
Jasmine & Raina (7LGr)
Brandon, Niamh, Mason & Kobe (7JBl)
Kian & Ruby (7HFe)

Pupil Services

THANK YOU

Matthew Lewis for donating uniform.

Book of the Week

LIP HOPPING WITH THE FUNDI-FU

by Adisa

A fantastically diverse anthology of poems by the performance poet Adisa. Read for yourself and enjoy the poems you saw Adisa perform.



ADISA was in school on Tuesday 4th July!

ADISA INSPIRES POWERFUL POETRY

This Tuesday, Year 9 were treated to a lively poetry performance by the wonderfully entertaining poet, *Adisa the Verbaliser*. Adisa's visits to Sweyne Park School are now firmly established as one of the highlights of the Year 9 curriculum, and link in perfectly to work on multicultural poetry. Adisa engaged and entertained all of Year 9 in the Hall, with his powerful, vibrant and energetic performance as he happily demolished stereotypes and people's perceptions of poetry. There were poems that had us laughing out loud and poems that made us really stop and think. At the end of the day, Adisa also generously gave an open, honest and genuine interview to George, Rosie & Lucy (Year 12 BTEC Media students), to assist with their assessments. Yet another powerfully productive, poetry-filled day was experienced.



YEAR 7

Thank you to all parents and carers who came to Parents' Evening on Tuesday. It was very well attended and your support is greatly appreciated. As Marie Taylor is permanent Head of Year 7, Shah Monnan (current Head of Year 11) has now taken over the year group as they move forward into Year 8.

PTA

Jack & The Beanstalk



The PTA have tickets for sale for Jack & The Beanstalk at the Cliffs Pavilion on 19th December at 7.15pm. The cost is £23.50 per ticket for adults or children.

NEW DONATED UNIFORM

The PTA also have some new donated stock for sale from a supplier who is no longer trading. There is a small selection of uniform including:

- PE Shorts - £3
- Rugby Tops - £5.00
- Socks - (medium) - £3
- Track Bottoms - £5
- School Jumpers - £5

Please contact Richard Bradley at the school if you would like to make any purchases.

Fabulous Flatford!

Kat Curtis reporting...

Year 12 A Level Biology students have been exploring and investigating different types of habitat at the iconic Flatford Mill. We had the pleasure of staying in the Grade 1 listed Willie Lott's house, included in many of the pictures by John Constable.

The student activities included looking at species diversity in the local stream and also sampling within a woodland environment. The final day saw students undertaking an investigation of their own design, collecting data independently and applying the relevant statistical tool to support or reject their hypotheses. All students impressed the FSC tutor, Luke, in producing superb work and pushing themselves out of their comfort zones.

The trip was a tremendous success and we couldn't be more proud of everyone who came.

