

THE PREP WEEKLY

9th May 2025



Message from Mr Lovett

It has definitely felt like the Summer Term this week with the lovely weather we have been enjoying. This added in with our first cricket fixture and trips out have made it a busy week. Next week it is the turn of Prep 3 & 4 to enjoy their 3 day residential to PGL in Weymouth - I know they are all very excited! I can't quite believe that we only have 2 weeks until we break up for half term. As you will know, our Prep Sports Days will happen in the final week before half term and if you would like to order food for these events please be aware that bookings need to be made by the end of play tonight. Please use the below links to place your order:

EYFS & KS1

<https://forms.office.com/e/qgziNvq6y7>

KS2

<https://forms.office.com/e/5nPCbPjsrx>

I hope you all have a fantastic weekend and the sun continues to shine us!

The Week Ahead

Monday 12th May

No Events

Tuesday 13th May

No Events

Wednesday 14th May

Prep 3&4 Residential

U11 Cricket v St Peter's

Thursday 15th May

Prep 3&4 Residential

KS1 Trip to Devon County Show

Friday 16th May

Prep 3&4 Residential



Work of the Week

Friday 9th May

George Reynolds

Annabel Palmer

Shaun Hauxwell

Eris Pascall

Ryan Lee

Carys Martin

Alister Wall

Thomas Pring

Edward Stone

Birthday's

Lana Franklin

Willow Allen



Summer Holiday Club



I am pleased to announce that Mrs Lovett & Mrs Hughes will be running a Prep summer holiday club provision during July. As we finish a week later this year, it will run for 2 weeks (which will bring us into line with state school holidays). Activities will include a timetable consisting of sports, arts & crafts, ICT, swimming and forest school. Holiday club will run from 08.30 – 15.30 on the following dates and will be charged at a rate of £150 for the week:

Week 1: 14/7/25 – 18/7/25

Week 2: 21/7/25 – 25/7/25

*Please note that you can only book for the duration of the week and not individual days. If you do not attend a day you will not be refunded the cost. Children will be required to bring in their own packed lunch and snacks for throughout the day and can arrive in comfortable home clothes. Swimming kit will also be needed each day.
<https://forms.office.com/e/64wLxeLFDx>



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Around the classes



The Lodge By Mrs Bryant

This week we have been busy planting some potatoes in compost. The children learned that when a potato begins to sprout shoots, planting it in compost will eventually result in the production of many individual potatoes. Later in the year, we look forward to digging in the soil to see how many we can find to make some delicious soup. We also planted a tiny tomato and cucumber seed into a pot of compost, we talked about how small the seed is compared to a tomato and cucumbers and how one seed can grow into a plant and produce lots of juicy tomatoes and cucumbers.



The Stables By Mrs Wray-Chance

This week we have been celebrating Outdoor Classroom Day by taking all of our activities out onto our decking and enjoying the warmer, sunny weather. The children have been making sandcastles with moats, drawing at the easel, playing a variety of instruments whilst singing an array of nursery rhymes, used the scales to weigh natural objects such as pine cones and used different vessels to fill, empty, pour and transport water in the water tray. What a lovely outdoor week!



Reception By Mrs Ganner

Reception had a wonderful class trip on Wednesday. They took the steam train to Totnes to visit the animals at Totnes Rare Breeds Farm. We were so lucky with the weather and all of the animals were pleased to see us! The children were able to pet lots of the animals in their enclosures and we discussed gentle hands and learnt about the animals' habitats and how to look after them. The train ride was a real treat and the children enjoyed looking out of the window. Well done Reception, I was so proud of your calm behaviour around the animals and your lovely manners with members of the public.

Around the classes



Prep 1 By Mrs May

This week in Maths, Prep One have been exploring capacity and volume. As well as this new language, and what it means, the children have been demonstrating full, empty, nearly full and nearly empty with water in their outside area. The concept of full was really important when they moved on to fairly and accurately measuring the capacity of different containers with water, sand and cubes. It has been perfect weather for learning outside!



HOW THE GIRAFFE GOT A LONG NECK.



THERE WAS A TIME
WHEN GIRAFFE DIDN'T
HAVE A LONG NECK.
HERS WAS ALL SHORT
AND STUMPY UNTIL SHE
GETS HER HEAD STUCK
IN A HONEY TREE AND
HAS TO STAY THERE FOR
ALL OF SUMMER,
AUTUMN AND WINTER.

Prep 2 By Mrs Miller

In RS, Prep 2 have been learning about stories from different religions and cultures linked to animals. We have explored Noah's Ark and this week was a traditional African tale about how the giraffe got a long neck.



Prep 3 By Mrs Young

This week in Prep 3 the class have started a new mathematics topic on time. The children have learnt about Roman Numerals and have also been telling the time to 5-minute intervals using analogue clocks. Super work Prep 3!

Around the classes



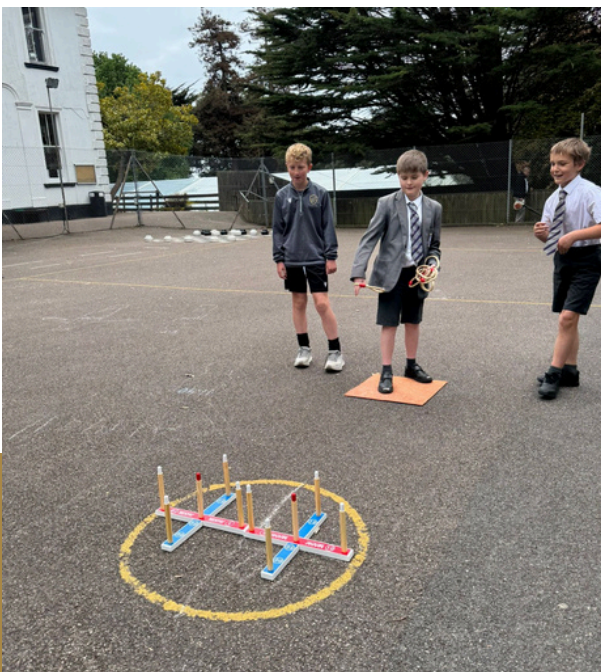
Prep 4 By Mrs Hughes

Prep 4 have started their unit on Money in Maths. They have shown confidence in counting amounts of money and comparing values. Whilst some children were out playing cricket this week others in the class enjoyed setting up a shop role play area in the Reception class and played wonderfully with the younger children using money for them to buy items and give change. They were excellent role models for the younger children!



Prep 5 By Mrs Sutton

After our fantastic residential in Bristol, Prep 5 have been back at school this week, developing their own 'Fantastic Beasts' in English and calculating the perimeters of shapes in Maths. We took advantage of the lovely weather to take our Humanities lesson outside, testing out how rivers are formed and how their features are created through erosion. We had some excellent budding geographers in the group who made excellent observations!



Prep 6 By Mr Partridge

After a restful post-residential long weekend, this week has been picking back up with core curriculum where we have now reached the end of our algebra unit and started exploring the biography genre in English. Enterprise Project ideas have been honed using a market research exercise in assembly and training is well underway for various cricket, swimming and athletics events that take place in coming weeks. A great week Prep 6 and another busy fortnight lies ahead before half term.



Playground Toys

There were lots of happy faces in the playground this week when a special delivery of brand new outdoor toys arrived! These lovely games have been given to the Prep Department by Teign Tutoring - also known as Sarah from our very own in-house 'Learning Success Academy'. These games will enrich the children's playtimes and encourage collaboration, responsibility and respect. Judging by the huge smiles, they're a big hit!

Prep Early Morning Swim Squad

The 7am sun was just starting to shimmer on the surface of the pool when our young swimmers dived in for the Prep early morning swimming club. Every Tuesday before the start of the school day, our keen Years 3-6 hone their skills guided by our awesome swim coach, Dom. After an energetic session on diving, starts and underwater work, the group had most definitely earned their big breakfast of bacon, eggs, mushrooms, cereals and pancakes. Yum! Thank you to our brilliant Catering Team for always keeping our students powered up!



U9 Cricket



Congratulations to our Under 9 cricketers who today won 3 matches at the Stover cricket festival, beating the hosts as well as St John's and Plymouth College. There was strong batting throughout with the partnership of Seb and Sam being very successful at finding the boundary whilst Abigail and Jess showed great communication and athleticism in their running between the wickets. Our bowling was very accurate with James being particularly hard to score off whilst Lilia also demonstrated excellent over arm technique and Annabel gained confidence with her underarm bowling. The fielding was also excellent with many players including Abigail, Jess and Lilia being confident stopping hard shots hit their way, Seb took an excellent high catch and there were some intelligent run outs with James often involved. Not only was the cricket excellent but there was some pleasing teamwork and support for each other - we even received glowing praise from a Plymouth College teacher who recognised the calm focus that we played with. Well done to all involved!



Prep Life Gallery

