

## Dear Parents,

I simply cannot believe that I am writing to you once again as the Easter holidays are upon us and we are all preparing for a well-earned break. The pupils have again been so significant in all they have achieved this term and I am immensely proud of them all.

#### **Academic Matters**

We are delighted this year that 38% of the Year 6 cohort have been awarded Scholarships and Awards for entry into their chosen senior schools.

Academic Scholarships and Awards - 2016

•	James Booth	King Edward V1	Music Exhibition
•	Lily Boughton	Godolphin	Music Exhibition
•	Katharine Cecil	Churcher's College	Academic Scholarship
•	Katharine Cecil	King Edward V1	Art Scholarship
•	Grace Davey	Millfield	Music Scholarship
•	Grace Davey	Millfield	Sport Scholarship
•	Melanie Georgiou	King Edward V1	Sport Award
•	Alice Hines	St Swithun's	Sport Scholarship
•	Oliver Hilton	Hampshire Collegiate Sch	ool Sport Scholarship[
•	Alanah Keane	St Mary's Calne	Academic Exhibition
•	Alanah Keane	Leweston School	Academic Scholarship
•	Harry Lynn	Salesian College	Academic Scholarship
•	Zofia Osgood	King Edward V1	Academic Scholarship
•	Kobe Stavonhagen	King Edward V1	Sport Award
•	Grace Taylor	Alton Convent	Drama Scholarship

Sport has been really significant this term with a whole range of matches for all age groups and Music has also played a key role in the curriculum with concerts, examinations and a wonderful presentation by the Chamber Choir in the final Easter Assembly. Speech and Drama has been a huge success with many awards being won at the recent Godalming Festival.

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The remainder of this newsletter covers some of the other aspects of life at Prince's Mead. The trips out and about, the fun we have, the involvement of the Staff and Parents with the children and quite simply, the sheer vivacity of a school that is filled with laughter and happy children.

## Staff Update

We are delighted that Mrs Laura Thomas, Head of Art will be returning to Prince's Mead in the Summer Term. We say goodbye to Mrs Wendy Noviss who has carried out such excellent work in the Art Department during Mrs Thomas' maternity leave, however we are pleased that Mrs Noviss will be returning to us in a part-time role in September 2017.

Mrs Saffi Mant gave birth to Alexander this term and it has been a delight to welcome them both back to school on several occasions.

### School Events and Initiatives

# World Book Day

This stunning event was planned by Mrs Gillian Jones and Miss Abbey Fecher - Heads of English in KS1 and KS2.







Beech House held a 'Welly Wanging Competition', great fun was had by all.

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# Prince's Mead Association

The PMA organised a Curry Pub Night at the Kirk's Head, they raised just over £1500 for our sister school in India. We are so grateful to Mrs Kathryn Griffith and her team for planning such a lovely evening.





A Trip to London - Year 6

Reading Buddies - Year 6 supporting Reception





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Mrs Baines' Breakfast Club has been a major success. It runs from 7.30am - 8.00am every morning and will continue as a permanent feature at school as the pilot has been such a success. Mrs Baines has prepared 200 breakfasts this term!

Reception took on board the school initiative to encourage supermarkets to put water in buckets when daffodils are on sale! They created their own Garden Shop!







The rest of the school signed a petition, drew pictures, wrote poems and letters and sent them all to Alan Titchmarsh.

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We had an amazing Easter Egg Hunt organised by the PMA, what a treat and all the staff received cream eggs as well!





I wish you all a very happy Easter and look forward to seeing you for the Summer Term on Monday, April  $24^{\rm th}$ .

Yours sincerely,

Penelope S Kirk - Headmistress

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