

Frewen College Newsletter

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Welcome to our Newsletter

Dear Frewen Parents

We have recently revised our rewards and sanctions procedures, and I would like to take this opportunity to bring you up to date with this.

Good Order Marks (GOMs)

Starting on a positive note - very often at Frewen a student will produce an excellent piece of work, or put in particular effort, or perform a good deed of some kind. These are rewarded with Good Order Marks.

In order to encourage more consistent use of the system by students and staff we have changed the system slightly. If a student is awarded a GOM they should make sure that it is entered in the yellow pages of their homework diary and the member of staff concerned will give them a raffle ticket. If they put this raffle ticket into the box in the auditorium, they will stand a chance of winning £10, when the winning ticket is drawn at the end of each half term. The more GOMs, the more chances of winning!

The new system has so far worked well. The number of GOMs has risen; students are carrying their homework diaries; and, as a result, the quality of entries in the diaries has improved.

I should mention that students can receive a GOM for having their books signed at home - so you can help further (as well as increasing your child's chances of winning £10) by doing this!

Bad Order Marks (BOMs)

Generally, behaviour at Frewen College is very good. Students are in small classes, the lessons are interesting, the teachers supportive, and the students keen to learn - so there are few reasons to start misbehaving.

However, we have a school full of young people

between the ages of 7 and 19, and of course there is the occasional incident which needs to be addressed.

Bad Order Marks (BOMs) are the opposite of GOMs and are entered in the homework diary on the blue page. If a student acquires three BOMs in a half term they will earn a 10-minute detention with their tutor, and a further three will lead to a 20-minute detention with a Senior Leader. No student has reached this level this half term, at the time of writing. If however, they were to do this and get yet another three GOMs, this would lead to them going on report.

The names of all students who get through an entire half term with no BOMs will also be entered into a prize draw (not the same one as the GOMs) and can also win the princely sum of £10.

Follow us on Social Media



Over the course of the last two years we have gradually been building up our presence on social media, particularly Facebook to keep in step with social trends. We recently posted our video on Facebook and we were delighted with the response it received. If you haven't already, we would welcome more parents and staff to 'like' us on Facebook and 'follow us' on Twitter to help spread the word about the school. When posts are liked and shared it is quite surprising just how effective a promotional tool Social Media can be!

The end of the school year will be upon us before we know it, so I will just say that I look forward to seeing you at some of the many events which are planned for this period – all culminating in our Annual Prize Giving on July 5th.

Best wishes

Nick Goodman

Principal, Frewen College

PREP NEWS by Sally Welch

Summer Term

Pupils have been busy with their Creative Learning topics. Mrs Sharley's class have been learning about the planets and space whilst Miss Carpenter's class have been creating a scene from their class text, The Mousehole Cat. They have also been writing diary entries in the role as Tom the fisherman and getting to grips with fractions in maths. Miss Beaumont's English group have been sequencing the four seasons, talking and writing sentences using some adjectives and connectives about the changes between them.

In ICT, pupils have been creating their own stories with moving animations and sound effects. Remember that any ICT work can be accessed from home by logging onto Purple Mash. If your child can't remember their password, please ask and we will write it down for them.

Some wonderful art work is developing, linked to creative topic work. In connection with their topic on Space, Mrs Sharley's class have been making rockets, using junk modelling techniques. We are looking forward to seeing them sculpted with mod-rock and painted. Miss Carpenters class have been finishing their 3D houses and using their observational drawing and painting skills to create some beautiful fish, whilst downstairs, pupils have been working hard with Mrs Dunga, to each create an amazing 3D aquarium focussing this week on making turtles and other marine animals.

Horticultural Show Success

Very well done to all our pupils who entered a fantastic variety of art work in the Northiam Horticultural show. The display was very eye-catching and the judge commented on the quality and skill demonstrated by the artwork that was entered by Frewen Prep. The Horticultural Society were very generous in the prizes they awarded. These were presented to the pupils last week. All work is now displayed in the hall and we would welcome parents to come in, at the beginning or end of the day, to see it.

Get Active Challenge

We have been delighted at the response to our Get Active challenge. Nearly all pupils completed their booklets and we have enjoyed seeing what all the pupils have been up to during their Easter break. We feel very lucky at Frewen to work with pupils who are so obviously well supported at home. Three of the booklets stood out from the rest and so prizes will be awarded this week.



SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS

English by Neil Stanley

GCSE preparation

In English, our focus this term has, as expected, centred around the examinations season. Last year, we enjoyed our best ever English results and, this year, we are all set to break new records.

A total of 22 students will sit the GCSE English Language examinations in June. Of these, nine are Year 11s. This represents 75% of the cohort. It compares with 66% in 2017 and 33% in 2016.

Being a small school we are able to meet individual needs and because students progress at different rates we offer alternative exam pathways to suit. GCSE English is not always the right option for all of our Year 11 students. Two Year 11s (joined by two Year 10s) are taking Level 1 Functional Skills. This will give them the confidence and experience to tackle GCSE English a bit later on. Finally, three Year 10s are sitting Entry Level English.

Last year we introduced English Literature as an option, and this year the number of Year 11 students sitting this rose to 50%, from 29% in 2017.

In our Sixth Form, 13 students are taking GCSE English Language. This is consistent with our aim that all students should leave the Sixth Form with a GCSE in English.

The English team would like to thank all parents for supporting their children at this busy time.

Year Nine English

Year Nines are reflecting on the world that we live in and their role within it. Entitled 'People and Places', their current unit draws together the skills they have embedded in Key Stage Three, and moves them towards the challenges of GCSE-style questions.

Students have learned about a wide range of people and their experiences: autobiographical writing by mountaineer Robert McFarlane; seventeenth-century scientist, Jan Swammerdam, whose studies worked out how people breathe;

and Ellen MacArthur, who described sailing alone.

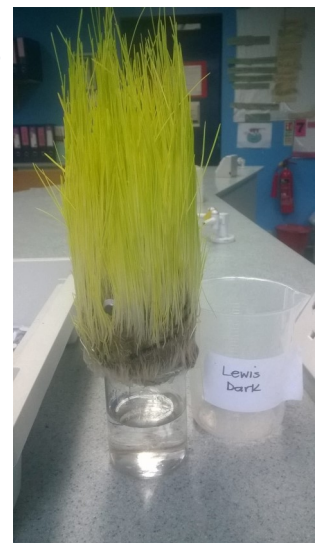
Students are then using this reading to think about their own experiences. They have produced extended writing on: an eventful and memorable journey; a favourite hobby; an achievement; the area where they live; and their favourite place.

Science by Scott Wassell

With spring now in full bloom the pupils have been able to experience some outdoor Ecology. Science has teamed up with the PE department and Frewen's own Hawkeye Mr Classen during Year 7 and Year 8 camps. Science provided several sampling techniques to gather information on local insects and distribution of flowers.

We can't forget to mention the Year 6 prep students who have been making 'grassheads' as part of their investigation into the best conditions for growing plants.

The Year 11s are now into their exam season. The current cohort are the first to experience the new Combined Science GCSE. The department will be endeavouring to make sure that the students going into the exam are as prepared as possible. We wish all the students the best of luck.



SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Arts Faculty by Katie Buckland

The Arts faculty have been busy preparing GCSE and BTEC students for their exams, and continuing rehearsals and preparations for the forthcoming production of **"Joseph and The Technicolor Dreamcoat"** which **takes place at 2pm on Friday 15th June**. To cover the costs associated with this production tickets are on sale for £5 per adult and must be purchased in advance from Finance: jackie.garner@frewencollege.co.uk

We hope to see many of you in the audience, watching Joseph overcoming an array of obstacles to reach success in Ancient Egypt, while enjoying such songs as "Any Dream will do" and "Close ev'ry door to me".

In other news - Elliott Ingham, currently the photographer for top USA band 'Fall Out Boy' took time out from their current world tour to be at Frewen College recently to talk to our students during assembly and to take some photos!

Elliott has also worked with Justin Bieber and Jayden Smith and our students were delighted to hear about his experiences. After talking to our students about his work; offering advice, Elliott then hosted a photoshoot with some of our budding musicians in our fabulous new music drumming room. A big thank you to Elliott!



Head of Arts, Mrs Buckland, creating the stage props for Joseph and the Technicolour Dreamcoat



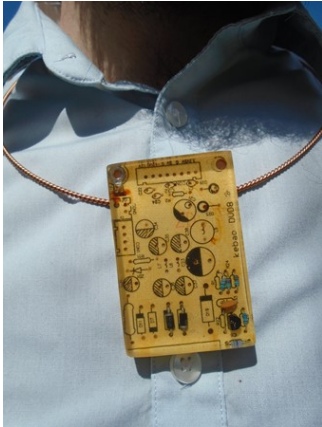
Elliott Ingham took those fantastic photos in our new drumming room

SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Design and Technology by Rebecca Forbes- Gower

Our Year 11s have now produced their entries for GCSE Design Technology Resistant Materials.

Candidates developed their own products from task areas such as 'encouraging wildlife into gardens' or 'sustainable design'.



Benjamin G

Sustainable Design - Man's Necklace from reused electronics, reclaimed copper and bio resin



Brandon R

Encouraging Wildlife – Bee Hive Barrow – a design to assist Bee keepers with moving Langstroth hives in storms.



Chelsea W - Sustainable Design Copper bracelet from central heating pipe.



Cameron S

Sustainable design – Wine Rack from reclaimed and sustainable materials and methods



Faye W

Encouraging Wildlife – Insect House



William E

Encouraging Wildlife – Bird House for Sparrows

SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Maths by Graeme Rawlings

MATHS ZONE



Homework Club:

Monday at 4:15pm

GCSE Maths Club:

Tuesday at 4:15 pm

Wed 4:15pm Y11 only

Answer to Maths Challenge 7: Flowers

The florist has: 24 white, 42 red and 36 yellow roses.

What is the greatest number of bunches she can make, if she uses all the flowers and all the bunches are identical?

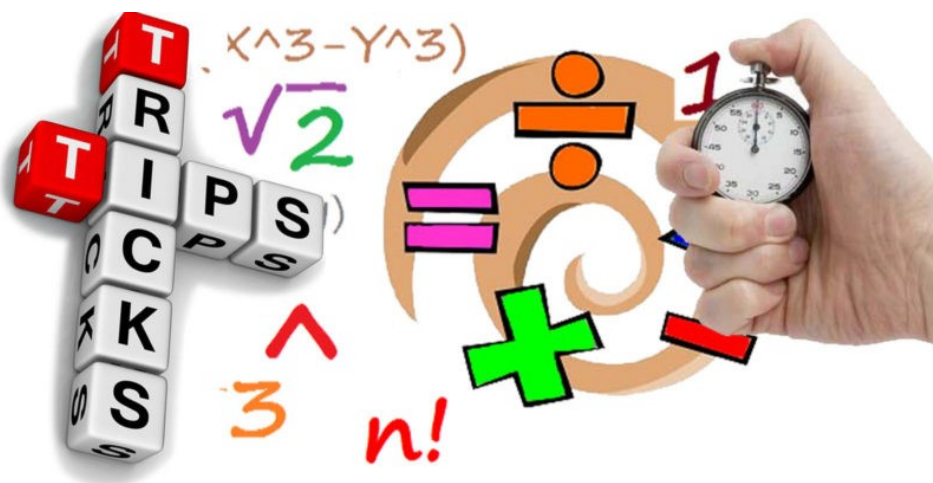
Answer 24

Maths Challenge 8:

A gardener planted 10 trees in 5 rows.

Each row had 4 trees.

How is this possible?



Exam season is here!

Read your exam timetable carefully

GCSE Maths 1: Thursday 24th May

Maths 2: Thursday 7th June

Maths 3: Tuesday 12th June

Find the best place to revise

Sit at a proper desk

Start revising early

Don't put it off GET ON WITH IT.

Don't just read your notes WRITE STUFF DOWN.

Don't spend ages making your notes look pretty.

Do lots of practice exam papers

Take short breaks; get yourself drinks and snacks

Stick revision notes all around your house

Try reading difficult bits in funny accents

Keep time to do things you enjoy!

SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Humanities by Hazel Lawrence

Year 11 geographers recently enjoyed their final fieldtrip: an urban study in Ashford. This trip was the final study in preparation for the field work element of their exam.

This term year 11 students have been preparing for their GCSE exams in Geography, RE & History. They are the first year group to take exams under the new system in these subjects.

All students have worked hard over the last two years and we wish them every success for the exams and looking forward to 23rd August when they get their results.

Don't forget:

History Breakfast Club: Monday 4th June at 8am in Miss Lawrence's room!

* Encourage exercise – exercise can boost energy levels, clear the mind and relieve stress.

* Don't add to the pressure – listen & give support, avoid criticism

* Make time for treats – think about small rewards for doing revision and completing exams.

Taken from nhs.uk (Feb 2018)

Sixth Form 'Legend of the Week' – an award for those who have gone above & beyond.

Charlie H – for playing a leading role in the Listening Video (and sporting a very cool jacket.)

Charlie B – for keeping up to date with work & generally being an all round good guy!

Alex S. – For an excellent week's work experience (and making great banoffee pie)

Tom C – For passing both his IT exams recently.

Well done to all!

SIXTH FORM

By Hazel Lawrence

This term students have been preparing for their exams, both GCSE & AS levels. As you will be aware this can be a stressful time of year.

The NHS suggest that the following are all ways to support your son/daughter at this time:

- * Make sure your son/daughter eats well
- * Help your son/daughter get enough sleep
- * Being flexible during the exam period – don't worry about untidy bedrooms
- * Help them study – make sure they have somewhere comfortable to study and help them come up with practical ideas to study
- * Talk about exam nerves – Remind your son/daughter that it's normal to feel anxious or nervous about exams.

Key dates coming up:

3rd July – Transition Day: This day is for all our new Sixth Form students to spend a day getting to know our current Sixth Forms.

4th July – End of term picnic & Oscars: An informal celebration of the Sixth Form year.

5th July – Prize Giving day: Our formal end to the year, smart dress is required.

16th August – A Level & Level 3 BTEC results day.

23rd August – GCSE & Level 3 BTEC results day.

4th September – Return for all Sixth Form students. NB: this is a day earlier than the rest of the school.

CAREERS UPDATE

By Hazel Lawrence

This term we have been delighted to welcome two people into school to share their career journey.

Elliott Ingram: Elliott took time out of his Tour with American Band 'Fall Out Boy' to come and speak to students about his work as a photographer. He spoke to the whole school and then in more detail to a small group of our budding photographers.

Our second visitor was **Nathan Rush:** Nathan is one of our alumni, who left in 2016. Since leaving Frewen, Nathan has been studying at Plumpton College. Nathan also told students about his future in the Land Based industry.

Many thanks to both Elliott and Nathan for taking the time to come into Frewen and share with us.



Work Experience

By Hazel Lawrence

Best wishes to year 10 students due to start their work experience placements after the half term break. We look forward to hearing about these on their return.

Year 10 Work Experience Week: Monday 4th – Friday 8th June

Year 11 Work Experience Week: Monday 18th – Friday 22nd June

College taster day – 3rd July:

All Year 10 students are invited to attend a taster day at Bexhill College to gain an idea of Further Education.

Sign up on the Bexhill College website.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

By Hazel Lawrence

The school council have been working on some exciting projects recently. These have included:

- * Persuading the Senior Leadership Team to include shorts as part of the summer uniform.
- * Helping to shape the schools updated rewards and sanctions policy.
- * Shaping the school's future mobile phone policy.

Some members of the School Council have also found the time to organise a Cake Sale. Lucie C (Year 7) came up with the idea and with help from Hattie, Annabelle, Ellie, Charlotte and Trinity raised £70.10 which has been shared between Scouts against Malaria and Chitwiri.

Well Done girls! The cakes were fantastic and two worthy causes have benefitted.



GAMES AND SPORT

By Jo Hambleton

Football Tournament Success

On Monday 26th March a selection of Y6 - 9 students went to take part in the final tournament with Brighton and Hove Albion. The team were in great form and won 7 matches only conceding one goal in all games. In the Semi final we again showed great team work and had improved our formation to win 3-0. We were again through to the final. We knew it would be a tough game and it certainly was nail-biting. 1-1 when the final whistle blew. This meant it went to the dreaded penalties! Sadly, we were toe to toe until they pulled one and ahead to take the win. It was a lovely day, with all those who took part showing maturity and sportsmanship. Well done.

Luis D, Danny, Charlie, Ollie, Louis, Reggie, Woody, Will and Josh (Prep)

Fitness Suite

Our Fitness Suite has recently been given a little make over: walls repainted, equipment moved and mirror and weights rack installed. It is looking fantastic and will be a valuable space for the students. Thank you to Aaron for completing the work. We look forward to students and staff using these facilities.



Girls Football Tournament

Many congratulations to the girls who took part in the Brighton and Hove Albion Football tournament. We were crowned champions for the 5th year in a row. Winning the final 3-0. It was a wonderful day and our Year 11s really did us proud on their last tournament, we will certainly miss them next year but hope to continue our winning streak. Thank you also to Mr Kirkwood for all your ongoing support with tournaments.



Lucie, Faye, Charlotte, Chelsea, Danielle, Ellie, Annabelle & Hattie.

Brighton and Hove Albion Football Training Session

On Friday 18th May we had a fantastic opportunity to attend a 3 hour training session at the state of the art Brighton and Hove Albion training ground. We were able to take part in a number of drills, shoot outs using the full size goals and game play. It was a brilliant day and everyone enjoyed themselves and took a lot from the experience.

GAMES AND SPORT continued...

By Jo Hambleton

Year 8 Camp

All of Year 8 enjoyed nearly two days taking part in camp. We started the camp by attending Rye Water sports where students were able to take part in sailing and windsurfing. It was wonderful seeing the students engage in learning new skills and they showed good resilience and team work. We returned to Frewen where we had the challenge of putting up the tents! It might have taken a while, but we got there in the end, problem solving at its finest.

Other activities involved picture orienteering, den building, cooking dinner, cleaning up from dinner, night hike, archery and looking at wildlife in our wonderful grounds. It was an excellent couple of days and helped by the glorious weather, I hope the students enjoyed it.



BOARDING NEWS

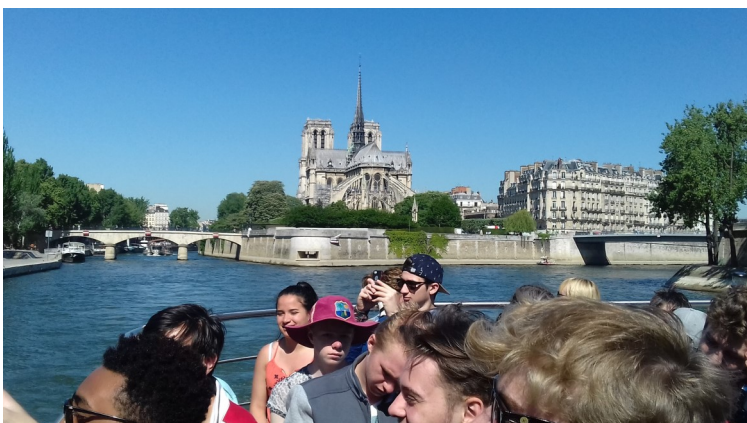
By Sarah Medcraft

Spring Term brings eager anticipation of the re-opening of our swimming pool. Our thanks go to our maintenance department for the thorough clean-out and daily temperature monitoring in preparation for the "go-ahead" for those not phased by a somewhat brisk plunge!

Exam season is now well under way and we are encouraging our students to achieve their personal best, promoting healthy eating habits, the importance of a good night's sleep and de-stress activities, alongside their revision timetables.

The other highlight of this half of term was our Bank Holiday weekend trip to Euro Disney. We arrived on the Saturday evening going straight up the Montparnasse Tower, which at 210 metres tall, gave us a wonderful overview of the sprawling city of Paris. Sunday was a long and exciting day, spent earnestly discovering the magical delights of Disneyland and Walt Disney Studios. Monday morning we rounded off our visit with a leisurely cruise down the River Seine, noting famous landmarks like the Eiffel Tower and Notre Dame as we went. A couple waltzing on the riverside were startled by a Frewen-lead round of applause but seemed quite appreciative of their unexpected audience.

"Only in Paris!" and "ooh la la" the boys were heard to say!



News about our Annual Dyslexia Conference

By Guy Gore

Our annual conference is scheduled for **Wednesday 11 July (9.30am - 1pm)** at the school. This year the conference is **aimed at parents** and will focus on **Educational Health & Care Plans**, including the process to follow to secure funding from Local Authorities.

Whilst there will be a strong link between dyslexia and EHCPs, the conference will also be relevant to parents seeking funding for other Educational Needs.

We are delighted to welcome Melinda Nettleton and Hayley Mason, solicitors at SEN Legal, who will jointly present with Nick Goodman (Principal) and Gregoire Godin (Vice Principal).

SEN Legal are nationwide solicitors specialising in Special Education Needs.

As well as presenting on topics including 'navigating the SEN system' and 'obstacles to overcome to secure funding', both Melinda and Hayley will be available to discuss individual circumstances on a 1:1 basis.

Tickets are available from the school - there is a small charge of £15 per person towards refreshments, a light buffet and expenses.

School Calendar – dates for your diary in June and July

Coming Soon...Dates for your Diary	
Boarders return	Sunday 3 June
Term Starts	Monday 4 June
Year 10 work experience	4-8 June
Senior concert and Prep- Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat	Friday 15th June
Year 11 work experience	18 –22 June
Year 9 Camp	19—20 June
Sports Day	Friday 22 June 2pm
Educational Visit to the Isle of Wight	25 –29 June
Activities Week, including swim gala	25—29 June
Prep Camp	27—28 June
Knockhatch Trip	Tuesday 3 July
Chessington	Wednesday 4 July
Prizegiving Day and End of Term	Thursday 5th July