Dear Parents,

I attended a Philosophy lecture given by Prof. AC Grayling recently and it made me reflect on the importance of the breadth of the curriculum that we offer: from giving one's all on the rugby and football pitches, to performing a dramatic prose piece, completing another Swallows and Amazons challenge, rehearsing a concert piece through to consuming a range of delicacies including; ‘wormy spaghetti, glumptious globgobblers, fizzwinkles’ and many more delights during our Roald Dahl lunch.

All of these activities stimulate thought and reflection, foster conversation and communication as children share their experiences and all help to promote the essence of Milbourne: a fulfilled and purposeful community.

As this is our last Newsletter before the Easter break, may I thank you all for your support of the school and its activities and wish you all an enjoyable Easter holiday with your family.

Judy Waite
Head

Epsom College Scholarship Success

Congratulations to Ellie Jordan who has been awarded the top Academic Scholarship at Epsom College – The John Propert Scholarship.

Fun with Smarties!

1S carried out a maths investigation this week. 'How many of each colour in a packet of Smarties' they really enjoyed the data handling exercise, drawing tables and graphs, but most of all eating the Smarties!

Mrs Slocombe
Celebrating Science Week

On Wednesday 15th March Mrs Bosch, a local dentist, came in to school to talk to 4A and 4B pupils about their teeth and how best to look after them. We even got to use some disclosing tablets that stained our teeth purple to allow us to see which parts of our teeth and gums had the most plaque. It was fun and educational and everybody enjoyed the wonderful experience of learning about teeth and handling some actual examples, even some shark’s teeth. Thank you Mr Watson for organising the talk and thanks to Mrs. Bosch for giving it.

Scott Swanepoel (4A)

Forms 4A and 4B also designed a range of posters to promote British Science Week.

House Championship

The competition stands as follows, with still to come next Saturday’s House Rugby and the usual end-of-term avalanche of pluses:

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Mr Angus
Primary Maths Challenge Bonus Round Results

From the 63,000 entrants to the Primary Maths Challenge the top 3% were chosen to take part in the Bonus Round, which included some of our pupils in Year 6 (Form 4). From those three were successful in gaining awards:

Gold Award - Henry Franke
Silver Award - Eesa Jaswal
Bronze Award - Tanish Navamani

Whilst we have had the results back, the badges have not yet arrived, but they will be handed out in assembly as soon as they arrive. A Gold Award was awarded to the top 0.1% from the original 63,000 entrants - well done Henry.

A Spanish Inquisition

3A presented an Assembly on the subject of goal-setting on Wednesday. The first group read out their goal, which was "Get better at maths." To their great surprise the Spanish Inquisition appeared and interrogated them until they had refined their goal into a more detailed form: "Practise fractions for five minutes every Monday to Thursday evening." Two more groups then presented similarly vague goals and were equally amazed when the Spanish Inquisition burst in on them and demanded more detail. The goals were all admirably "smart" by the end, and two of the three were triumphantly achieved; sadly, the group who had vowed to improve their rugby had suspiciously clean knees and were knocked into a heap by a flying rugby ball. Well done, 3A, "teachers" and Inquisition members, for a spirited and entertaining performance!

Mrs Gall
**Form 2 visit Henley Fort**

Form 2 visited Henley Fort on Wednesday, where the children were able to dress up and re-enact the role of Air Raid Wardens and the Home Guard. The children had opportunities to discuss the roles of Air Raid Wardens, fit in a Morrison and Anderson shelter, experience life in a blackout, put out fires, attend Nazi training, throw grenades (not real...!), hold real life rifles (deactivated!), arrest potential enemies and attend first aid training! We could not have picked a better day for it; the weather was glorious and Milbourne had the run of the Fort!

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**Pre-Prep News**

**Spring has Sprung in Pre-Prep**

Spring seems to have sprung this week and we have all been enjoying the fine weather. It has been an extremely busy few weeks with two sporting fixtures, Science Week and Reception visited Bocketts Farm today. As we head to the final weeks of term we look forward to a Reception Spring Nature Walk, Year 1 Florence Nightingale Immersion Day and our annual Easter Hat Parade where all Pre-Prep children show off their festive hats - all parents are invited, details to follow.

**Our Chicks have hatched!**

It has been a very exciting few weeks in PP2S as we have been watching our chicks hatch. We now have 9 chicks and we have been watching them grow and develop.
All the children have been able to handle the chicks and they have been very good at making sure that they have food and water.

We are now waiting for our caterpillars to transform in to Painted Lady Butterflies. The chicks and the caterpillars have provided the children with an excellent opportunity to observe first hand the life cycle of these animals. Mrs Sharma

Science Week in Pre-Prep

Pre-Prep have had an exciting and inspiring week Science Week. We've had things fizzing, dissolving, evolving, growing, contracting, refracting, reacting, diffusing and even exploding (but only just slightly). Mrs Sharma

Sporting News

Good Luck to our U9 and U10 Rugby Teams playing in the National Prep School Finals at Epsom College this Sunday 19th March

Rugby: U9C v Claremont

This was a fantastic game of rugby played in a great spirit, with the boys winning 15 - 12. Everyone attacked with great fervour and there were some tremendous runs by L. Dean. Also some ferocious tackles were made by R. Swanepoel who tackled several boys who were twice his size. Special mention has to go to the whole team as this win was a great way to end the season. Mr Drummond

U8A V Chinthurst

The boys continued their good form from the last game into this one and won a highly competitive game 9 - 7. All the boys played well going forward and there were some great runs.
made by all the players, also our defence, especially in the second half, stepped up and we were able to turn the ball over at several critical moments in the game. Special mention has to go to A. Walder for great support play in the second half and to P. Alexiev for good captaincy throughout the game.

U8B V Chinthurst

Firstly thank you to the B team members who also played some part in the A team game. This was again a fast moving match with plenty of great running especially by J. Barrow who on at least two occasions spotted gaping gaps and ran through them and scored. This was another game the ebbed and flowed but we managed to run out winners 12 - 10. This game could easily have gone the other way but for some fierce defensive work by A. Ensor and T. Groves. Well played to all the boys.

On a personal note I would like to thank all the parents for their support over this rugby season, I know that the boys really appreciated it.  

Mr Drummond

Hockey: Junior Girls v Ripley Court

The junior girls played Ripley Court and achieved a brilliant result of 4-0. In the first half of the match, there was a stalemate: both teams gained equal possession and at half time the score was 0-0. In the second half of the match, the Milbourne girls played with an attacking agenda and the ball remained in their half, ultimately resulting in a 4-0 win. Well done, girls.

Netball: Senior Girls v Boxhill

The senior girls played netball vs Boxhill last week. All the Milbourne girls used precision passing and nippy interceptions to gain possession of the ball. The opposing team were taller, so the Milbourne girls had to work harder! They retained the ball in their attacking half, resulting in goals from Kirsten Speirs and Alesha Jaswal. The girls were triumphant, with a 12-4 win.

Miss Slatter

Notices

Spring Concert – Tuesday 21st March at 6.30pm

Please note the earlier start time of 6.30pm in the Church of the Holy Name.

Sports Team Photographs – Thursday 23rd March

The Rugby and Hockey Team Photos will be taken on the afternoon of Thursday 23rd March. Please ensure that your children have their full match kit in school on that day.
Second Hand Uniform Sale – Thursday 23rd March at 3.30pm

We shall be holding another Second Hand Uniform Sale in the school hall on Thursday 23rd March at 3.30pm. This is a good opportunity to purchase items for the summer term. We have a good selection of cricket jumpers and other summer kit.

If you have any items of uniform that you would like to sell at the sale, please drop these in to the school office before next Thursday.

MLPA – Call for cakes and helpers for the House Rugby Competition – 25th March

The MLPA will be serving refreshments at the House Rugby Competition next weekend. If you are able to volunteer your time to help, please let Deepa know at: deepamodhwadia@hotmail.com

We will draw up a rota so that you are able to watch your child’s matches.

Also, please could we ask for Cake donations for the event. Cakes to be delivered, in named boxes/tins, to the school office, on Friday 24th March or on the morning. No Nuts please.

Thank you, the MLPA Committee

Save the date – MLPA Summer Ball – 24th June 2017
## Spring Term 2017

**Week Commencing: Monday 20th March**

### Monday 20th March
- Reception Nature Walk
- PP1 Drama Workshop
- Form 4 Nurse Visit
- Spring Concert Rehearsals
- Spring Concert, Church of the Holy Name *6.30pm*

### Tuesday 21st March
- Year 5 Epsom College Team Maths Challenge
- Rugby: 1st XV v Sunningdale
  - Away 2.30pm
- 2nd XI v Sunningdale
  - Home 2.30pm
- U11A v Sunningdale
  - Away 2.30pm
- U11B v Sunningdale
  - Home 2.30pm
- U10A v Sunningdale
  - Home 2.30pm
- U9A v Sunningdale
  - Away 2.30pm
- Hockey: Senior Girls v Ripley Court
  - Away 2.30pm
- Middle Girls v Ripley Court
  - Away 2.30pm
- Senior Boys’ Sports Dinner *6.30pm*
- Senior Girls’ Sports Dinner *6.30pm*

### Wednesday 22nd March
- Form 3 visit to ‘Dream Again’ at the Polka Theatre
- Rugby and Hockey Sports Team Photos
- MLPA Second Hand Uniform Sale *3.30pm in the main hall*

### Thursday 23rd March
- House Rugby 7s

### Friday 24th March
- Form 4 Nurse Visit
- MLPA Spring Lunch, The Foley

### Saturday 25th March
- Future dates for the diary:
  - Pre-Prep Easter Hat Parade and Easter Egg Hunt *27th March*
  - Forms 1 to 4 - Royal Institute Lectures – Explosive Food *27th March*
  - Forms 1 to U6 Prose Speaking Competition *27th March*
  - TERM ENDS *28th March*