

#### **THURSDAY 21 MARCH 2024**

Dear Tormead Families,

Our final week of the Spring Term saw a celebration of the younger members of our Tormead Family as they shared their musical talent at the Pre-Prep Spring Concert. I was so impressed with the girls' confidence, be they singing as a class group, a larger ensemble group or displaying great bravery in giving individual performances. This year's individual contributions saw 25 girls from Y1 and Y2 performing which was remarkable and the whole afternoon was a real treat. I would like to thank Mrs Godfrey for organising the programme and supporting the girls in preparation for such a wonderful event. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Elisha for designing such a beautiful programme. It was stunning, reflecting the joy of spring.

Saturday saw girls from all year groups head to the Sports Centre for the final gym event of the year, the Tormead Championship. It was another superb day of competition where all pupils attending could shine in the different disciplines. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Patterson and his team of coaches who have worked very hard in supporting all gym groups. For our national squads there has been outstanding success but the event on Saturday displayed our ethos of 'sport for all', ensuring all girls have equal opportunity to take part in a competition.

Well done to our swimmers: Emily T, Ellie, Erika, Evie Ca and Jess who represented Tormead at the ESSA Regional Round. There were 13 schools in our category and our girls swam



brilliantly. They finished 4th in the Medley Relay and 2nd in the Freestyle Relay. Huge congratulations to our Prep pupils and thank you to Mrs Kemp for all her support of this U11 squad.

On Monday evening, it was the turn of the Prep School musicians to impress their audience in the Spring Concert. With many Prep girls performing, it was simply a joyous celebration of music as the Choirs, Orchestra, Training Orchestra, Prep Jazz Band, Guitar Ensemble and String Ensemble showcased their talent. Thank you to Mrs Vega for preparing the girls; they radiated such confidence and enthusiasm on stage!

An important part of Tormead life is the year group residential and on Wednesday morning, the much-anticipated Y5 trip headed off to Lodge Hill for two and a half days of fun. Swiftly following this departure, a very excited class of Y4 girls headed off on minibuses to Juniper Hall for their one night residential. Both year groups will return tomorrow lunchtime and from my conversation with staff and looking at the photographs on Instagram, the girls are having an incredible time. A huge

thank you to Mrs Pretorius and Miss Young for organising Y4's and Y5's residential trips. I very much appreciate the following staff giving up their family time to accompany our pupils, thank you to Mrs Pretorius, Mrs Kemp, Mrs Flack, Miss Bleby, Mrs Bayne-Powell, Miss Young, Mrs Price, Miss Meech and Mrs Travers for accompanying the girls on the trip.

I can not quite believe that we have come to the end of another busy term. I want to thank my amazing team of staff who work tirelessly in supporting your girls' progression and wellbeing in every area of the curriculum. The TPA have been wonderful in their support of the Prep School. May I take this opportunity to thank Dr Gee and her amazing team of Reps for the organisation of the Easter Crafternoon.

I hope that you have a fabulous holiday

and look forward to seeing you at the start of the Summer Term on

Tuesday 16 April!

With very best wishes,

**Nicki Fry** Head of Prep School



#### Prep Ambassadors

Our two new Sixth Form Prep Ambassadors, Alanna and Lauren, have introduced themselves to the school. They are keen to 'cross the road' to support the girls and have some particularly exciting ideas in sharing their joint passion for maths.



## Congratulations to our talented Prep Girls

Congratulations to Radost and Agnes who performed beautiful piano solos in the Godalming Performing Arts Festival on Sunday.



### A BIG Prep Thank You to the TPA!









Commendations

★ Erika ★ Amelie ★ Daisy ★ Navnidhi ★ Elisha ★ Clara E

## Pre-Prep Concert



















# Jazz & Pop Night



# Prep Spring Concert



## Gear 6 trip to D-Day Story, Portsmouth

Last week Y6 visited the D-Day Museum in Portsmouth. The day included an investigative workshop where girls analysed primary sources to work out who they would have belonged to and what their purpose was. The tour of the museum featured fantastic interactive learning experiences, as well as original landing craft vehicles, tanks and weapons. For many, the highlight was the stunning 83 metre long Overlord Embroidery with its vivid depictions of different events around D-Day.



























## Begeon Nominations

Emelia carried out a fabulous science investigation at home to show the hydrophobic property of cinnamon. We were amazed to see that Emelia could put her finger into water without it getting wet. Well done Emelia, what a brilliant science trick!





Sian presented an informative and interesting Beacon on viruses and how they are spread. She had independently researched the information and reported her findings with confidence. We were inspired to look up pictures of different viruses - which brought about even more conversation, so thank you Sian!



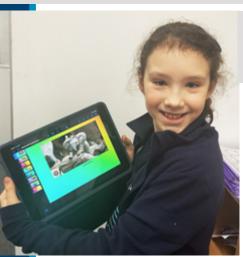
**Lily** presented a fantastic Beacon on British Sign Language. Her passion for this really shone through and she confidently taught the class lots of different signs. Some of the favourites were: turtle, snow leopard and lots of colours. Lily also taught us the alphabet and talked about why sign language is so important. It was very special to learn BSL signs during British Sign Language Week. Well done, Lily!



**Ava** researched and wrote down many facts about different penguins. Her interest in them was evident in her presentation as she clearly enjoyed sharing what she knew with the class. Well done, Ava!



**Elisha** has made a code breaking Beacon. Year 2 enjoyed solving the problems.



**Evie** presented some fascinating facts about elephants.

Carina has written a very informative Beacon about cocker spaniels.

Beacon





**Annie** has drawn some super pictures of sheep for her Beacon.



**Alex** spoke with confidence whilst presenting a delightful Beacon on the Australian Labradoodle. **Agnes** gave an informative Beacon about Formula 1. We learnt about the F1 teams, the drivers and tyre types. **Zoya** presented a Beacon on the Islamic faith. We learnt about Ramadan, the five pillars of Islam and the pilgrimage to Mecca. **Aditi** presented a Beacon about a singer from the band Black Pink. **Edie** gave an informative and exciting Beacon on the food, sport and animals of Canada. **Ember and Sofia** spoke about axolotls. **Evie** gave an excellent presentation on bears.



**Radost and Ines** completed an excellent Beacon on Nicholas Winton.

**Radost** presented a Beacon on her visit to Bulgaria in particular to the Shipka Mountains. She saw where the Bulgarians and Russians fought the Ottoman Empire. Amazing!



**Lulu** spoke with confidence about Great White Sharks. 3Y enjoyed hearing all the facts that she read out and used them to ask even more questions about sharks, which we answered as a class. Well done, Lulu!



Performing
Arts!



**Rhea** presented a wonderful Beacon on the Performing Arts, a passion of hers.



**Emma** has made a Beacon about Katy Perry inspired by 'Roar'.

### School Notices

#### Last Day of Term Dismissal Times

Dismissal time will be normal end of school times:

- Reception 3.00pm
- Y1 3.10 pm
- Y2 to Y6 3.40pm

There will be no homework club or Sport4Kids.

Reception or Y1 girls with siblings can stay until 3.40pm for collection.

Girls with Senior sisters can be collected at 4.00pm as usual and Bus girls will leave at 4.00pm.



#### Key Dates for your Diary - Summer 2024

**APRIL** 

**Monday 15** 

Staff INSET

Tuesday 16 **Summer Term starts** 

Friday 19

Prep Art Exhibition. Prep Hall

Monday 22

Prep Art Exhibition. Prep Hall

Monday 29 - Friday 3 May

Y6 Residential trip to Brenscombe

MAY

Monday 6

Bank Holiday, School closed

Wednesday 22

Y5 Coffee Morning. 8.45am Senior School

**Thursday 23** 

Prep House Swimming (Y3-6). 9.30am SSP

Friday 24

Year 5 Coffee Morning. 8.45am Senior School

Monday 27 - Friday 31 May

Half Term

JUNE

**Tuesday 4- Wednesday 5** 

Year 3 Residential to Lodge Hill

**Thursday 6** 

Y2 visit to Wisley

Friday 7

**Prep Open Morning** 

Monday 10

Prep Sports Day (Y3-Y6). 9.00am Guildford Spectrum

Monday 10

Year 2 Open Violin Lesson. 2pm Prep Hall

Wednesday 12

Y3 Music Concert pm. Times tbc

Friday 14

Y4 Music Concert pm. Times tbc

Thursday 20

Prep New Girls/Move up afternoon.

Times tbc

Friday 21

Y3 trip to Living Rainforest

Monday 24

Pre-Prep Summer Production. 2.00pm JCS

**Tuesday 25** 

Pre-Prep Summer Production. 2.00pm JCS

Wednesday 26

Pre-Prep Open Swimming Lesson. 9.30am SSP

**Thursday 27** 

Year 6 Play. 5.30pm JCS

Friday 28

Year 6 Play. 6.30pm JCS

Monday 1

Pre-Prep Sports Day. Morning, times tbc

Thursday 4

Prep Prize Giving. 9am Senior School Hall

Thursday 4

Drinks for Year 6 Parents. 10.00am Prep Hall

Friday 5

Term ends. Midday staggered dismissal times

We are thrilled to announce the launch of our Coding Club led by Jamcoding at Tormead Prep School. During the Summer Term, children will embark on an exhilarating journey into the world of coding, where they will learn to create their very own games.

- Who: Open to students from Year 3 upwards.
- When: Every Wednesday, from 4.00pm to 5.00pm.
- Where: Tormead Prep School.
- Spaces: We have 24 spots available first come, first served!
- Equipment: All necessary equipment will be provided.
- Sign Up: Parents, please register your child via the provided link.

#### Why is coding so important?

In today's digital age, coding is the language of the future. It is everywhere, powering our apps, websites, and even the devices we use daily. By learning to code, children gain problem-solving skills, creativity, and a deeper understanding of technology. Plus, it is just plain fun!

Do not miss out on this fantastic opportunity for your child to explore the exciting world of coding. Let us unlock their potential together!

Please see the attached flyer for more information.



When children pretend, they're using their imaginations to move beyond the bounds of reality. A stick can be a magic wand. A sock can be a puppet. A child can be a superhero!

RMEAD PREP SCHOOL | KS2

#### R SCHOOL Code Club

Our first term kicks off with GAMEBUILDING workshop will teach learners how to code and build their very own Computer Game in teams. Teaches children to work in teams, think logically and solve problems! Our second term will be GAME DESIGN! Do you enjoy playing games? Why not use your gaming experience to develop your unique game? This course will take you through all the steps that real game developers use to create games. Design characters, add backgrounds, use code to develop your unique



DATES: Every Wednesday

24th Apr - 26th Jui

TIME: 4:00 - 5:00 PM



PRICE: 9 WEEKS OF FUN LEARNING FOR JUST £112.50!

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Click the link above to view course details OR visit our website and head to the booking tab. Enter your postcode in the locations field and click search to view courses. Then select the school or venue you require. N.B. You can only attend courses held at the school that your child attends. You can also search by the school postcode.

For more information, contact your Area Manager on:

london.tw@jamcoding.co.uk | 0207 183 2935



### Sport

Congratulations to our ESSA swimmers, Erika, Jess, Emily, Evie and Ellie who swam brilliantly at the Surrey Round of the ESSA Primary relays gala. Well done girls on your 4th place in the Medley relay and 2nd in the Freestyle relay in the Medium Schools category.

Good luck to Olivia C, Millie B, Evie C, Martha W and Erika T who are representing Tormead on Sunday at the National Schools Biathlon Finals at the University of Bath.

Rachel Kemp Head of Prep School Sport

#### **Gymnastics**

We really enjoyed hosting Tormead Championships on Saturday and welcoming our Participation, Bridge and National gymnasts to come together and compete in a friendly, supportive environment. The girls have worked incredibly hard in preparing their routines and performed them confidently in front of an audience of parents, friends and peers.

They also did a wonderful job at preparing their competition numbers and there was a dazzling array of jungle themed artwork on display.

Huge congratulations to Victoria, Arya, Scarlett, Anna, Elisha, Eloise, Cristina, Millie, Poppy, Tianlin, Zara and Gracie for winning their age groups. A big well done also has to go to Florence, Kaia, Alice, Charlotte, Lulu, Chloe, Ariana, Hayley, Iliana, Layla, Emma, Anastasia, Ember, Sofia, Isabella, Florence, Jemima, Adia, Primrose, Eva, Aimee and Sasha who also went home with silver or bronze medals.

You should all be very proud of the hard work and dedication you've given to the gymnastics programme this year and I hope you all have an amazing Easter break.

#### **Scott Patterson**

Head of Prep & Senior Gymnastics







# Gymnastics Camp



BOOK

16-18 July and 23-25 July 10.00am-3.00pm

Please bring girls with hair tied up and wearing something comfortable that they can move around in. Girls will also need a packed lunch and a water bottle.

