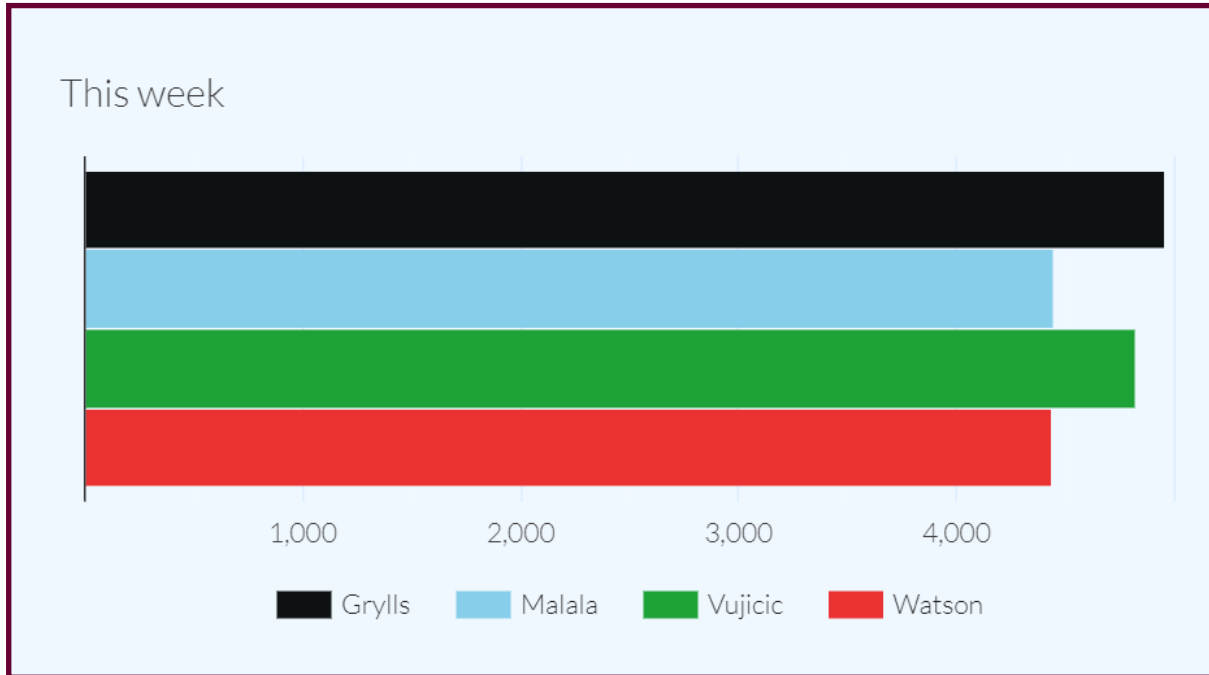


Dear Parents/Carers,

Good afternoon and welcome to this week's parent bulletin.

House News



Recent form prevails again! Well done to Grylls who continue to close the gap on Vujicic by winning this week - will they run out of weeks to chase them down by the end of term?!

Girls' Football County Cup Final

Huge congratulations to our U12 girls' football team who made it to this morning's county cup final. Sadly, after being 1-0 up at half time, the match finished 7-2 to Parkstone Grammar. We are immensely proud of the girls for reaching the final and giving it their all and we hope they enjoyed their treat on the way back to school!
Full match report to follow next Friday.

Uniform

As part of our continued commitment to maintaining high standards, we would like to remind all parents and carers about the importance of students wearing the correct school uniform each day. The school uniform is a key part of our identity and promotes a sense of pride, equality, and discipline among our pupils. We would like **all** shirts to be consistently tucked in. We appreciate that whilst being active at break or lunch that they may come out, but they must be tucked in before entering the school building. Please also refer to the EMS uniform guidelines on our website which states that: skirts can be pleated or flared and should finish just above or on the knee; they should be worn without being altered or rolled.

Year 5

English - Year 5 have been working really hard at planning and writing a complaint letter from Virgo Star (a strong female protagonist in our latest class read 'Who Let the Gods Out?') to the Zodiac Council who treated her very unfairly in their latest council meeting.

In Maths we have finished up our unit on geometry and have moved on to position and movement. We have a few weeks left of our Y5 maths curriculum before we start our revision for the end of year assessments in year 5.

In Art the portrait unit has continued - this week pupils have been using the graphic transfer process to create self portraits.

There are weekly photos updated on the school art Instagram account to see more work from pupils across the year groups. @emmanuelmiddleschoolart



As you know the Year 5 pupils returned from their Heatree residential last Friday. We are currently looking at the best way to share the photographs with the parents of the children who attended and will be in touch shortly.

Year 6

A huge well done to all of Year 6 who did a fantastic job on their SATs this week. Their attitude was superb - taking on the challenge in the right way with a sense of 'can do'.

After the successful conclusion of SATS Week, we now move on to the next stage of KS2 Assessment - Writing.

In order to best match the children to the targets we want them to achieve, English classes will be organised into writing sets from next week. The children will be informed about their groups on Friday afternoon.

This will give teachers an opportunity to match resources and teaching to the pupils' abilities, and enable them to achieve the best possible outcomes by the end of next month.

At the end of June we will report their current attainment to the STA using the KS2 Assessment Frameworks. We may also be lucky enough to have a moderation visit from Hampshire County Council, who are our nominated local authority. Children will then move back into their previous English classes as before.

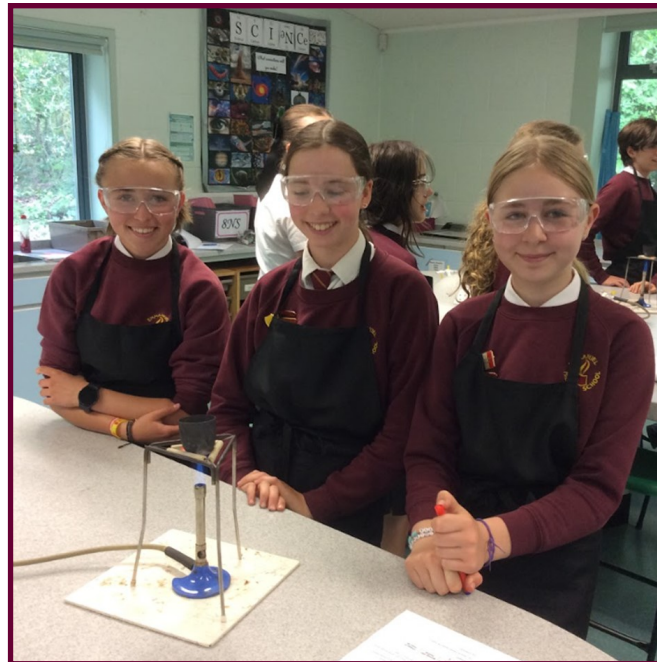
Year 7

In History this week pupils have begun to investigate the changes made to religion during Tudor times. This is a hugely important part of our history as some parts of our nation remain divided by religion to this day. Pupils will then move on to investigate the reigns of 2 Tudor monarchs - Henry VIII and Elizabeth I - in detail, deciding between them as to who was the better leader.

Year 7 has started investigating the components that make up a computer. They are doing this by designing a gaming PC, using real computer parts websites. They have a budget to work to and they

Year 8

Year 8 are currently studying Chemical Reactions and this week we investigated the 'Conservation of Mass'. We were able to explain why mass sometimes increases or decreases after a chemical reaction.



This week in French we have been learning the next stage of our new vocabulary, focusing on verbs and nouns that we may use when talking about what we did at a sleepover. The children have grasped this well, retrieving vocabulary from previous years' learning and adding to the new vocabulary to create new, more complex sentences.

Sporting News

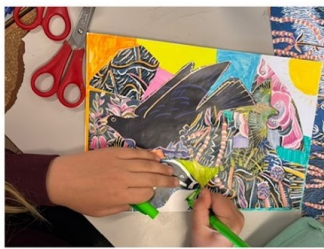
Last Wednesday, Jacob H, Archie L, Imogen T and Mason D were selected to go to Canford School and compete in their athletics events. They all did extremely well and came away with amazing results. Jacob and Mason have now got through to the next level, and are through to the county championships in June. Jacob will be competing in the 1500m and Mason will be doing long jump. Good luck to both of them.

On Tuesday 13th June, a team of year 5 pupils went to St. Michael's school to compete in Quad Kids athletics against other schools in the area. They all completed a throw, jump, sprint and long distance. They all did extremely well and should be very proud of themselves. A special mention goes to Toby S for placing 1st overall for the boys, Savanna H placed 1st for the girls, and Erin P came 3rd overall. A huge well done to all of them!



Collage Club

Monday's collage club is providing a great opportunity for pupils to develop their creative talents as shown by the pictures below - well done to all those who attend.



All that is left is to wish everyone a great weekend and we look forward to seeing everyone return on Monday.

Mr Rob Christopher & Mr Alister Barker