

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the final half-term of the year, which is jammed packed with events across all year groups.

This week we have been visited by Hampshire Writing Moderators looking at the work produced by our year 6 pupils. We will be submitting our results on the 28th June for writing, and the pupils are working hard to build their portfolios. More importantly to them, we also held our final information evening for Heatree residential in July yesterday. Miss Stinson and Mr Timmins reported back a lovely atmosphere and said it was a pleasure to again welcome parents into school.

In years gone by, we have held year group celebration assemblies, handing out lots of subject focused and candle credit certificates. The intention of recognising pupils' hard work was well captured whilst knowing the venue and ceremony could be so much more. This year we have hired the Hub Theatre and look forward to celebrating pupils' hard work and achievements in a more formal way. More information will follow as we finalise plans for this event on 19th July.

House competitions start back up again next week with a mixture of new and popular sports on offer. Please encourage your child to get involved in these sessions:

Netball - Year 7 and 8 - Monday, Year 5 and 6 - Tuesday

Short tennis - Year 5 and 6 Thursday

Volleyball - Year 7 and 8 - Friday

Sports Leaders - facilitating sports day potted sports activities at lunch times.

Pupils are not required to change into their PE kits for these, but will require their trainers in school.

As you know, Sports Day is taking place on 28th June and we are looking forward to welcoming parents to this event.

In the lead up to the Platinum Jubilee, Art Club pupils created their portrait of the queen in their own unique style. Well done to everyone who took part:

Key Stage 2 Winner - Ellie G 5LE

Runners Up - Gracie G 5CS / Jessica W 5LE



Key Stage 3 Winner - Kiera C - 7 RDF
Runners Up - Sofia G - 7RDF / Madison Joy - 7RDF



Key Stage 3 pupils enjoyed a visit today from Queen Elizabeth School as part of Upper school transition. It is great for our pupils to see past EMS pupils return as confident and proficient performers as they continue their journey from Key Stage 3 and into Key Stage 4. We are so lucky to feed into two very good upper schools.

I've said many times before, I love this last half-term due to the many events and forward looking activities that take place and I look forward to sharing these with you in the coming weeks.

We hope you enjoy the weekend,

Mr Christopher and Mr Barker