



THE BUGLE

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Sports Day and Prize Giving Saturday 29th June 2013

Programme of events:

- 9.15am Pupils involved in service to arrive at school in best uniform
- 9.30am Remainder of pupils in Years 3 - 8 to arrive at school
- 10am Service of Thanksgiving at St Margaret's Church
- 11am Exhibitions and drinks in the Courtyard, including Senior LAMDA monologues in the Performing Arts Studio
- 12noon Speeches and Prize Giving in the Sports Hall
- 12.45pm Picnic lunch for Years 3 - 7 on the field (provided by parents)
Headmaster's lunch for Year 8 leavers and invited guests on the Croquet lawn
- 2pm Sports followed by tea and prize giving
- c.4.30pm End

Our speaker at the service will be Father Martin Morgan, Vicar of St Margaret's Church. He will also be presenting the prizes later in the morning. Best uniform is required for all the children, and parents and visitors are asked to respect the formality of the occasion during the morning also.

The Week Ahead	
June / July	
Saturday 29th	Sports Day and Prize Giving
Sunday 30th	
Monday 1st	Prep Arts Express Day - Rottingdean Rocks
Tuesday 2nd	9.30am Pre-Prep Sports 6.00pm Gala Concert
Wednesday 3rd	ABRSM Exams 7.30am July Birthday Breakfast Pre-Prep Outing 1.30pm Cricket: 1 st XI v Dorset House (A) 2.30pm : Colts XI v Dorset House (H)
Thursday 4th	Year 3 - 8 Trip to Cuckmere Haven 5.30pm Year 8 Leavers' Gathering
Friday 5th	12.15pm Year 8 Leavers' Service - Year 8 Parents only 2.00pm Pre-Prep Family Tea 4.15pm End of Term Service

La Journée Française Mardi le vingt-cinq Juin,

Oh, la la! La Fête Française!



On Tuesday 25th June St Aubyns held a French Day and all the children in the teachers took part. Everyone arrived at school beautifully dressed in the colours of the Tricolore, blue, white and red. The morning started with a lovely French breakfast "Le petit déjeuner français" with croissants, toast, cereals and orange juice, French music playing in the background gave a real feel of France. For this special day Year 8 organised a French version of "Who wants to be a millionaire?" with some easy and some more challenging questions followed by Prayers in French. Then in the Drama studio Pre-prep sang "Alouette" followed by "Tête, épaules, genoux et pieds" (Head, Shoulder, Knees and toes) - it was great fun watching the whole school doing the actions! Children enjoyed a lovely French lunch. We started with salade niçoise, followed by Gratin Dauphinois, Lasagnes then de la glace au chocolat ou à la vanille!! C'était délicieux. Thank you to Brendan and his team for such a lovely lunch and for entering into the spirit of the day so enthusiastically.

Le spectacle Français!

In the afternoon children from Year 3 to 7 met again in the Drama studio and took turn stood on stage in the following order:

- Year 4 presented their French project on transports, numbers, colours and animals.
- Year 7 did a Quiz about St Aubyns School
- Year 6 a great French song
- Year 5 a fashion show
- Year 3 a brilliant song "Au Café"

The French Department would like to thank everybody involved for making French Day a very successful day at St Aubyns. We are extremely pleased with all the effort children, parents and St Aubyns staff to make this special day a day that we will always remember.

Thank you,
Merci!

Le Département Français
Melle Landroit et Madame Edwards



Senior v Staff v Parents Rounders Match

This match will now not go ahead next Wednesday evening as there has been very little interest from parents - we quite understand as it is a very busy time of year and the unbeaten staff team are a daunting prospect! We will instead have a Staff vs Senior Rounders match one afternoon next week during school time.

Mrs Sykens

Thank you to the St Aubyns Society

I and all of the staff are very grateful to the committee of the St Aubyns Society who have decided to spend their remaining funds on the staff and pupils in the school. These funds have been used in three ways: to pay for the Pre-Prep trip to Drusillas next week so that there is no charge to parents for this, to go towards the cost of a staff dinner at Bella Napoli last Friday evening, and to cover the cost of some of the gifts which will be given to Prep pupils on the last day of term next week. Over the years the St Aubyns Society has worked very hard to assist the school with expenditure on additional items of equipment, and these final gifts are in the same spirit of ensuring that staff and pupils are benefitted. Thank you to all of the committee who have worked this year and in the past for the St Aubyns Society and to all of the parents who have supported SAS events.
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Pre-Prep Superstars

Congratulations to the following for being awarded superstar certificates:

Eve Baker, Jeanne Delalonde, Toby Gomez, Charlotte Hitchings, Farrah Phillips and Kate Robinson for fantastic writing in Reception. Naser Alshehab for trying very hard in Maths, Celia North for great independent writing over the last two weeks, Lara Venables for learning all the words to the Showcase songs, Hassan Majid for good progress in joining his writing, Samantha Lin for trying her best all year and Michael Turner Betts for being very brave.

Good behaviour stickers were given to Ayaka Critchley, Abdullah Aywad, Selenaz Alkhudairi and Maddie MacEvilly.

Well done to all of you!



Former St Aubyns Pupil Skates for Charity

Connor Smith, a former St Aubyns pupil and still a familiar figure around school, is embarking on a 260 mile longboarding challenge in order to raise money for Great Ormond Street in London, where he was treated as a baby. He plans to board from Plymouth to Brighton over the course of 10 days starting on July 6th. To donate to his fundraising, visit www.longboard4life.webs.com or text SMIF95 and the amount you want to donate to 70070.

Open Garden this Sunday

Jane and Michael Frost (parents of Oscar in Year 6) are opening their garden at 24 South Avenue BN2 0BP from 11am - 5pm this Sunday as part of the weekend-long Brighton and Hove Open Gardens scheme in support of the Sussex Beacon, a care centre for people living with HIV/AIDS. Admission to all 70 participating gardens costs £10 in advance or £12 on the day, but the Frosts are offering a special price of £2 (children under 12 free) to anyone wishing to visit just their garden. Brunch will be served from 11am - 2pm, with soft drinks, tea/coffee and cakes on offer all day - see www.sussexbeacon.org.uk/opengardens. You can combine your visit with an afternoon of live music and family entertainment at Picnic in the Park in neighbouring Queen's Park - see www.friendsofqueensparkbrighton.net.

Year 7 Hike

Last Thursday Year 7 tramped 10 miles through the misty but still very beautiful South Downs. In the company of Mrs Smith, Bracken and me, the route led them up Whiteway Lane, past Balsdean Farm, down through the dry chalk valley, and up onto the South Downs Way just above Kingston-near-Lewes. We had a picnic lunch on the top from where we had absolutely no view at all -we felt as if we were sitting amidst the clouds! On the return journey there was some tree-climbing near the site of the abandoned village. Feet and legs ached on our return, but completing the walk gave everyone an enjoyable outing and an appreciation of our beautiful surroundings. SH

Arrangements for Friday 5th July

Pre-Prep Parents

You have been contacted separately by Miss Fleming regarding final arrangements. Any further questions, please ask your child's class teacher.

Prep Parents

We will hold our annual Year 8 Leavers' Service at 12.15pm. This is for pupils and Year 8 parents only.

The End of Term service is at 4.15pm and all parents are welcome to attend. It is likely to be full so apologies in advance if there is standing room only. Directly after the service, pupils will be taken back to their form rooms by their form tutors to collect all their things and to say their final goodbyes. They are then free to go. School will close at 5.30pm as normal.

Sports News

Sporting Colours awarded for outstanding contribution

Over the past two weeks, sporting colours have been presented to pupils who have consistently played at a high level of competency and represented St Aubyns well both home and away. Rounders Colours were presented last week to Olivia Standing and Rebecca Garland and Netball Colours to Nandi Clarke. This week Dylan Gifford, Eric Swinn-Ward, Dan Reid, Ed Bucknall and Tom Hildick-Smith were given Cricket Colours in recognition of their contribution to the sport.

Swimming Sports 2013

On Monday 24th June we held our annual swimming sports competition. The whole of the prep school came out to watch or participate in the swimming events. The U13, U12 and U11 age groups swam 2 lengths of each stroke and the U10, U9 and U8 age groups swam just the one length in each stroke. The majority of the children were involved either in the individual events, the section relay or the diving competition at the end. We had some very competitive races and I was impressed with how well the pupils had improved their stroke techniques. It was great to see pupils diving in who perhaps didn't have the confidence to do so at the beginning of the term and to see some individuals racing who were non-swimmers not so long ago! There was great support from the platform which created a wonderful atmosphere for the final St Aubyns Swimming Sports. The results will be published in the school magazine and prizes awarded at the end of prize giving. Well done to all those involved. RS

Senior Rounders v Copthorne

The senior girls had their final match against Copthorne on Wednesday. We have struggled to make an impact this season mainly due to our small numbers and mixed age team but the girls approached this match like all the rest with enthusiasm and high spirits. We won the toss and choose to field first and did so well making a number of catches to get the opposition out. Pippa even took a ball to her head and carried on regardless! Copthorne managed to score 8 rounders in their first innings. It was our turn to bat and I'm afraid we were outclassed... Their triangle of backstop to bowler to first base managed to get all our team out and made sure we didn't score a single rounder. Now most teams at this stage would just simply give up but I think this sums up how brilliant our girls are and why I love working at St Aubyns so much because despite Copthorne's advantage we faced the second innings with the same amount of determination and effort as the first. The girls improved on their performance and scored 5 rounders. The end score was inevitable, we lost 17-5 but in my eyes the girls were all winners for their sheer positive attitude and their resilient efforts. Rebecca was chosen by Copthorne as the player of the match which she deserved for her consistent bowling and excellent communication with the team. Well done, girls! RS

Sports News continued...

U11 Rounders v Copthorne

On Wednesday the girls played at Copthorne in a Triangular match against Brighton & Hove High and Copthorne. St Aubyns started the first match against Copthorne and fielded first. Ana started the game beautifully by scoring one rounder, then Kamalika added ½ rounder. Scarlet managed to hit the ball far away in the deep and scored 2 more rounders. The batting from all the girls was superb and I was very impressed by the progress they have made since the beginning of the season. St Aubyns scored 8½ rounders. Then it was our turn to field and right at the beginning of the match Zara stumped a player out at 3rd post then Scarlet at 4th. By then Copthorne had scored 8½ rounders but still had 4 players left to bat. Their next batter hit the ball and Kamalika as Bowler caught the ball - what a catch! But Copthorne scored 2 more rounders and the final score was St Aubyns 8½ - Copthorne 10½. Kamalika was girl of the match. Although we lost this first match the girls were determined to win the second game.

After a few minutes break to have a chat about the match and get some water we played Brighton & Hove High and started fielding first. Almost immediately after the start Zara caught a ball at 3rd post and then stumped a player out. Then with Beau's help Ana stumped a player out at second meaning BHHS had 3 players out. Our fielding has definitely improved. Iona was excellent as backstop and Grace ran fast to catch the ball from first post and throwing to 2nd or 4th. Chloe was helping to throw the ball to 4th post, what a great throw Chloe! Eva was very good at 3rd post stopping BHHS scoring full rounders. The girls were ready to bat and Kamalika, Zara and Teddie all scored one rounder for the team. The final score was St Aubyns 7½ - Brighton & Hove High 4.

The girls kept a positive attitude and impeccable behaviour from start to finish and took on board advice given during the games sessions. This was our last match of the season and representing St Aubyns the girls always had a smile on their faces - brilliant!

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1st XI Cricket v Skippers Hill

For the penultimate game of the 2013 season the 1st XI (reduced to VIII) travelled to Skippers Hill for a T20 match. After losing the toss Skippers elected to field. St Aubyns made good early progress scoring at a very good rate. Dan Reid was the first wicket to fall making 13 runs before being bowled. Dylan and Eric were now at the crease at they batted superbly. Dylan made his fifth 50 of the season and Eric his highest score to date of 54. Both eventually fell and a few additional runs were added by the tail finally posting 169 all out. Despite a brave effort and a good opening score of 43 by the Skippers number one they fell well short of the required runs with St Aubyns winning by 59 runs. SW

Colts Cricket XI v Skippers Hill

Conditions were excellent for this match: bright, with no wind. We won the toss and put Skippers Hill in to bat. Our bowlers were on their best form so far this term: Luca Brooks-Edwards bowled their No. 2 batsman with his third ball, then claimed the wicket of their No. 1 batsman in his second over, while Tom Awdry also took two wickets in his four overs, remarkably with only two runs scored off his bowling. Oscar Frost and Theo Salomon took a wicket apiece, but the overall effect of our generally accurate bowling was to limit the opposition's score to 62 runs after 20 overs. Only one of their batsmen really got into his stride. Our innings began shakily, with the loss of a wicket on the second ball of our innings, but Luca Brooks-Edwards steadied the ship and it was Theo who was to provide the crucial runs which led to our victory in the thirteenth over. We had lost only three wickets to achieve the 63 runs required. We continued for four overs after our victory and Joshua Davison impressed with some hard hitting to score 19 runs. Theo's 25 runs and his sound bowling performance made him man of the match, but this was a good team effort with generally reliable fielding. The exception was our catching, which still leaves something to be desired. Well done, though, to the whole team on a very encouraging victory.

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Cottesmore Cricket 6s

On Monday this week the U13 boys travelled to Cottesmore for their annual 6 aside tournament. We were grouped with Cottesmore B, Copthorne and last years winners Cranleigh. The first game was against Cottesmore and after being set 49 to win Eric and Dylan made the required runs in exactly 3 overs with Dylan scoring 36 runs in hardly any balls at all. The second match pitted us against Copthorne. Unfortunately the boys struggled to score runs and lost vital wickets early. Copthorne managed to chase down the required runs with 1 ball to spare and this left us needing to beat Cranleigh to make the final. After an amazing start we had the cup holders 7 for 3 after just 8 balls. Cranleigh did manage to dig in and posted a total of 54. St Aubyns made a brave chase against some fine county bowlers but came up short. All in all it was a good performance from the boys. SW

County Athletics finals at the K2 Stadium

Last Friday saw the turn of the Year 6 to 8 students in the county athletics finals at the K2 stadium in Crawley. Nine pupils had made the entry standard and the team set off in high spirits. Of the three 100 metre competitors only Dan Reid managed to make the final finishing a respectable 7th. Luca Trosino and India Terras finished one place outside of their finals by a fraction. The two 400 metre runners performed very well with Ash Buller running a tactically strong race to finish 4th in the final and Tom Awdry managing 3rd with a very strong finish. In the 200 metres Amaury Salomon made the final and finished 8th. Tom Hildick-Smith made the final of the hurdles and finished 5th in a very strong race. In the field events all competitors made it through to their finals to receive an extra jump or throw. India Terras and Tom Hildick-Smith both finished 6th in their long jump finals, as did Pippa Wilmot in the shot. Amaury Salomon managed to finish a fine 3rd in his discus final. The attitude and team spirit on the day were tremendous and it was a joy to spend the day with the St Aubyns team. SW