

## **From Mr Gumbrell . . .**

First things first, we welcome Miss Hall back from maternity leave. She will be working four days a week (not Wednesdays) and we are delighted to have her back. For the remainder of the Summer Term she will be covering Helmsley teaching on a Monday and then leadership duties for the rest of the week. In the new academic year, she will be providing release time for teachers, running intervention groups and being the Deputy Head for the remainder!

Wasn't Sports Day fantastic. The children were extremely well behaved (as was the weather) and all of the races got completed within the timescale. There were no serious injuries in the Mum or Dad races (not something that we can always say) and all the children had a run, a jump and or a throw! Well done to Tudor for winning the shield – Henry VIII would have been proud of your sporting achievements.

A big THANK YOU again to all the staff for their efforts in organising the day and also to the Friends who provided all the spectators with bacon butties, sausages and a hot drink. All in all, it was worth waiting for the reserve date!

## **New Class names, Teachers & Front Desk Staff . . .**

2017-18 Classes will be as follows:-

Year 3: **Bodiam** – Mrs Moody & Mrs Barr, **Hornby** – Miss Humphries,  
**Skipton** – Miss Simpson.

Year 4: **Durham** – Mr Davie, **Pendragon** – Mrs Rose & Mrs Parsons.

Year 5: **Brecon** – Mrs Barlow, **Kendal** – Mrs Radhakrishnan (to be Mrs Krishnan!).

Year 6: **Scotney** – Miss Stevenson, **Montrose** – Miss McCallum

The front desk position was also advertised in-house and, we are pleased to say, has been filled by Mrs Gadd and Mrs Widdowson.

## **Breakfast Club provision . . .**

I am pleased to say that we have now had some good, professional conversations with Pleiades. From a difficult start, we have made strong progress with negotiations in order to provide a Breakfast Club here at LDSM in time for September. Indeed, we are about to sign the contract in the next few days for this to happen.

We have been promised a Breakfast Club that the children 'will want to come to', rather than 'have to come to' and this, like Acorns After-School club, will be our aim from the outset.

Pleiades will send out further communications soon to sign your children up should you wish to take up the offer. I hope that having made the provision available, parents will support it and make it a viable, sustainable proposition.



## **Romans 5:3-4**

And not only this, but we also exult in our tribulations, knowing that tribulation brings about perseverance; and perseverance, proven character; and proven character, hope;

## Dates . . . Value for July - PERSEVERANCE

Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> July	INSET DAY
Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> July	3.15pm Helmsley Ice Cream Sale on the Waiting Area
Sun 9 <sup>th</sup> July	1-4pm Long Ditton Village Fair (with LDSM BBQ)
Wed 12 <sup>th</sup> July	6pm Upper School Play
Thurs 13 <sup>th</sup> July	6pm Upper School Play
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> July	9am Music Assembly – families welcome
Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> July	3.15pm Newton Ice Cream Sale on the Waiting Area
Thurs 20 <sup>th</sup> July	10.30am End of Year Service @ St Mary's Church – led by Year 6 – all welcome
Fri 21 <sup>st</sup> July	1.45pm End of Term, leaving school shoes for Sal's Shoes for Africa
Wed 6 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Autumn Term Starts

## School Council . . .

A BIG thank you to our bakers and providers, and also to those who came along and bought. We have raised over £80 towards posting the children's school shoes to the sorting centre for those who have none.

## Sports Day . . .

It was a special Sports Day and it was fun because the good people were on our team (Stuart House). The 80m race was interesting to watch, and the Sprint was very well supported by the parents, who shouted because they wanted their kids to win.

Thank you to Mrs Jones and Mrs Tuffen for organising the day and the drinks. Also to Coach because he was a good leader.

Written by Frank S

## NSPCC Collection . . .

Emma & Buddy were thrilled to announce that the class sponsorship activities had raised £1,187.66. Well done Team LDSM!!

## Birthday Books . . .

A new book for the LDSM library has been bought by Annabel P. Happy Birthday and thank you. On your child's birthday, please consider sending £3 to the office and help celebrate reading.

## School Dinners . . .

Dinner monies for the first half of the Autumn Term (September and October), is £74.25. The meals will cost £11.25 a week (£2.25 per day). Payments made on-line, by cheque payable to 'Surrey County Council', or in cash are all welcome.

