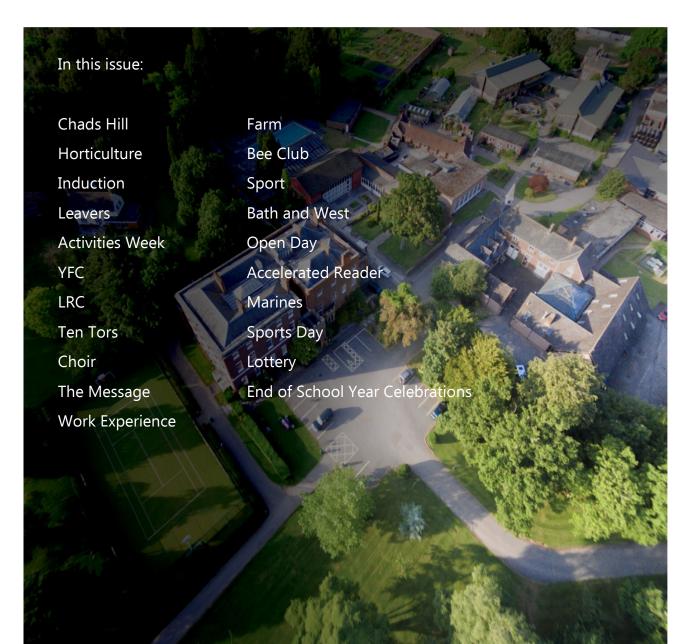


# Newsletter

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### Message from the Headteacher

It has been another incredibly busy year at Brymore and it was a real pleasure to see so many boys receiving awards at the end of term presentation morning. The morning was a chance to say well done, and share in the success of so many boys, indeed some of the numbers were quite staggering. Over 200 awards were presented during the ceremony itself with many more being presented beforehand. There were 6,063 Chads run this year, 76 million words and 2,883 books read by Years 7, 8 and 9, and over 55,000 merits and house points won. Parents have also played their part raising over £6,000 on Open Day alone and yet again attending the presentation morning in such large numbers.

Life at Brymore has a certain rhythm to it with key milestones throughout the year. The Hog Roast for Year 7 parents at the end of the first week, the Harvest Festival and Cross Country Championships, the Christmas Carol Service, Year 11 Leavers Service and Sports Day, Open Day, the induction of new Year 6's, activities week and finally the end of year Presentation Morning. All of these events only work because of the hard work of staff, boys (both past and present) and parents all working together to make them a success. I am so grateful to everyone for their support and I finish the year yet again immensely proud to be the Headteacher of this very special school.

I would also like to thank all staff for putting on another successful activities week at the end of an exhausting term. Activities week is all about providing boys with new experiences, challenging them, giving them a chance to work with others, often outside their comfort zone, or indeed just a chance to have fun. I thought the range of activities this year was the best yet ranging from tours of Hinkley B power station, the BBC studios and SS Great Britain, to learning new skills and outdoor pursuits such as climbing, archery, axe throwing and shooting. Boys were challenged by Chanel Adventures and on the Quantock Walk, whilst others simply had a day out at Crealy, Longleat and Bristol Zoo. Thanks again to all of the parents who through FoBSA, raised money to heavily subsidise this week.

Finally I hope everyone has a good summer break and are able to spend time with friends and family. I wish the outgoing Year 11 students well and I hope they all achieve the grades they deserve in August. I would also like to officially welcome the Year 6 boys and their families to Brymore having spent two days with us recently. I know the summer for many of you is not a restful time however hopefully you will all at least be able to re-charge, ready to go again in September.

Happy holidays

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## **Chads Hill**

Despite a gallant effort by Years 7 and 8, run numbers are down this year. Despite the tug on their free time by revision, Year 11 out-ran the Year 9s by 218 and Year 10 by 232 respectively, well done Year 11.

One Year 8 ran over 220 times, another ran 160 times and a Year 7 also ran over 190 times. All three are out-boarders and came in most Saturdays and Sundays to join in with the boarders and staff who run at weekends.

Staff runs were also up this year, although eight of those were staff dogs, yes these also are counted and in the past have had certificates to prove it.

Our guest runners included five primary school children, brothers and sisters of current boys or children of staff, the youngest, a Year 1 boy completed 11 runs and was awarded his starters certificate in assembly. The most runs were completed by a Year 8's father with 25, gaining his bronze certificate.

Mr Spridgens and runners thank car drivers who are pulling over and waiting until they have passed on their way down the drive at 4.00pm and would ask all other drivers to do the same. (Miss Bradford)

### Farm News

It has been a busy year in the Agriculture department with the start of the new building and changes to the staff team. In January we welcomed Miss Parker the Agriculture Teaching Assistant and in April Miss Lawrence the new Assistant Farm Manager, working hard with Mr Kingston to continue to develop the agriculture department.

All Year 7 students visited Cannington Grain stores this term and had a fantastic time climbing the grain piles in the store shed. This was combined with several crop walks around various crops on Mr Baker's land to look at development and growth.

Year 7 and 8 were amazing in the Open Day preparation, spending time halter training all the stock, washing and trimming. The farm team were really impressed with the students, developing skills in safely handling the animals.

Year 9 have had a busy year completing a Level 2 BTEC in Agriculture. The course is a certificate equivalent to one GCSE and an additional qualification for the students before choosing their options. The students completed units in Sheep Production and Estate Maintenance. A combination of practical and coursework, with many students completing the course achieving pass, merit or distinction. Ethan Gregory was the first student to be signed off achieving a Distinction\*, a fantastic achievement.

Year 10 have also had a busy couple of terms completing their Synoptic Assessment in March (60% of overall grade) followed by their two hour exam in June. We eagerly await the results in August to see who has passed their Level 2 Technical Award in Environmental Land Based Studies in one year!

Lastly I would like to thank all of the companies that have allowed us to visit over the year. The insight into the wider industry is so valuable to the students.

Have a safe summer. (Miss Marks)



## **Young Farmers Club**

This last term has been busy for young farmers, not unfortunately with showing, although we hope to be able to resume that part of the club next year but with speakers and activities.

We were lucky to have a speaker, Rob Wall from Smarts Agri Services just down the road at Inwood Farm. Rob is an old boy, giving an interesting talk to the boys about his time at Brymore and how it had changed. We are hoping to follow this up with a site visit early next term.

Our next speaker, came from closer to home, Matthew Tyler a current year 11 and member of the Westonzoyland Carnival Club spoke with confidence and enthusiasm about his time working and performing on the Club's cart. Matthew had put together an excellent PowerPoint presentation explaining how much hard work goes into putting the theme decided upon into a moving, brightly lit and musical event; I think we all went home singing the 'Wonderland' tune.

We missed a week due the Upper Schools careers evening, then had a hard fought game of rounders out on the field.

We finished the first half-term with a rescheduled visit to Gold Corner Pumping Station, with John Rowlands of the Environmental Agency; this pumping station built in the early 1940's supplied water to the Royal Ordnance Factory eight kilometres away in Puriton for over 40 years. The station is now responsible to keeping the levels dry, it provides an agricultural water supply for local farms and ensures there is plenty of water in the Huntspill to allow it to become a reservoir during the summer. The diesel engines have just been replaced by electric ones but the smell lingers on! We then



missed a week but continued with a practical Gun Dog Training session with Neil Garrod and Graham Gibson and their dogs on Pond Field, this proved very popular. The dogs showed how good they were at retrieving downed birds, fake for this event, from long and short grass and the boys learned various commands and hand signals to direct a dog to retrieve

Our penultimate evening was meant to have been a virtual shooting evening with BASC but unfortunately a technical fault, later identified as a camera misalignment, meant that it could not happen. Despite the long wait while Innis from BASC tried to rectify the fault, the Year 7 & 8s behaved wonderfully in the hot darkened common room. When all avenues had been tried we gave up and Miss Parker and Ms Briggs organised an impromptu rounders game where all the contained steam was let off.

The final event was a doughnut and drinks evening outside the LRC on the bench and grass as it was too warm inside for the planned DVD.

Thank you to all staff who have helped over the year and to the outgoing Chair Will Hatch, who did a wonderful job, monies raised for this year's charities will be presented during meetings in the new academic year.

Our first meeting in September will be to allow new and returning members to join for a further year: the cost will be £10; a limited amount of Polo Shirts are still available in Small, Medium and Large and are £15, YFC hoodies at £25 are available in Small, Medium and Large. (Miss Bradford)





### **Activities Week**

Our annual Activities Week was as jam packed as ever. With trips to Crealy, Bristol Zoo, Hinkley Point and Longleat, along with some really fun on-site adventures like the inflatable assault courses and countryside management, it proved to be very successful for both staff and boys. Our Year 10 boys had their hike and overnight camp expedition which brings with it lots of memories made. As always we will be gaining feedback from boys after the summer and we are looking forward to next year already! (Ms Warren)





### **Sports News**

It's hard to believe that it is summer but we are already thinking ahead for the rugby season. Our current Year 9 team (going in to Year 10) have drawn West Buckland in the National Rugby Cup and this match will be played fairly quickly after we come back in September, All our keen players need to keep this in mind and keep fitness levels up over



the summer as we will be getting straight back into practice on our return.

It is worth noting that the new RFU half game regulation comes into effect for the new season which is great news for all players. Please can all parents familiarise themselves with the new regulation or ask me if you are unsure.

Numbers at athletic events have been steady although numbers are down on previous years due to no Saturday school. It would be great if next year parents can try to free up their son to attend the Saturday athletics events if chosen because the impact has meant we only have two boys with county vests this year; Joe Stephenson and Nick Payne who have worked hard to get these vests. Good luck to Nick who is off to Taunton School on a sports scholarship after his GCSE results come through this summer. Joe has qualified for the National Race-walking Championships in September 2019 and we look forward to following his progress in Exeter for this. We did have a good number of County champions in athletics this season and it's been heartening to see that we have some very talented boys at Brymore and we look forward to developing them further next year.

We are still missing some running vests and rugby shirts - please, please can you check through your sons kit or washing as they cost the department if they are not returned.

Cricket numbers have been on the low side this year but we are looking to introduce cricket colours to boost participation, however we have fulfilled all fixtures and have some very good players amongst the teams.

Tom Dollery, who was a Year 11 last year, has continued his athletic prowess which started at Brymore and gained a bronze medal in the National Championships throwing the javelin. Tom is now a sixth form student at Taunton School on a scholarship.

We are looking forward to welcoming a new group of Year 7 rugby players in September and hope all the new boys give it a go because it really does help create good team-working skills along with improving fitness levels. (Mr Williams)

## Marines

We welcomed the Marines to school to work with our newly formed Senior Student Leadership Team in June. The boys took to the field to be put through their paces and to help encourage their teamworking and forge an unbreakable bond that will help them lead the School in the future. (Ms Warren)





## **Open Day**

We threw open our doors, once again, for the Annual Country Fair and Open Day on the last Saturday in June. The sun shone on our school for the big day and this helped attract thousands of visitors. Kicking off the main ring was the stock showing; where the students prepare an animal, halter train it and then show it in front of hundreds of people. Also in the ring for the public was the Recycled Racehorse Falconry Team with a beautiful grade 1 racehorse from Godolphin, Freddie Parker had her engaging duck racing and BASC performed a countryside display. Around the school visitors could sit in the walled garden, see the animals on the farm, watch blacksmithing displays and soak up the ambience of our truly unique school. A huge thank you to everyone who came along to support but an even bigger thank you to the staff and boys plus the family members who helped out with FoBSA - it really was a team effort! (Ms Warren)





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#### **Bath & West**

We, once again, entered the showing classes at the Bath and West Show this year. Miss Lawrence was thrown in at the deep end but both her and the boys did brilliantly at making the stock look sublime and that the boys were in the ring on time. Boys showed off the animals well in the ring and we came away with a number of rosettes. BBC Somerset filmed the

boys both before and during the event to feature us in a small clip, which can be seen on their Facebook page. The camera men and producers were really taken with Brymore and very complimentary about the staff and boys. Look out for the show team at a few of the smaller shows over the summer holidays and give us a wave if you find us!



Two teams set off from the start point on Dartmoor back in May after a carb loading dinner the night before. Both teams had worked very hard in the build up and had performed well on their training hikes but the actual event proved to be much harder for all of the boys. One team, unfortunately missed the cut off to their checkpoint so were officially removed from competing and the other team, whilst ploughing on, completed the event but just outside the qualifying time. We are really proud of these students for all their hard work in the lead up to Ten Tors and the actual weekend itself. It was never going to be easy but they worked hard to get out there.

A big thank you to Mr Dickson who, assisted by Mr Austin, put in a lot of hard work to make this happen and revive the Ten Tors adventure for our boys. (Ms Warren)







## **Sports Day**

We enjoyed a sunny afternoon for our annual sports day. Parents and families joined us in large numbers and enjoyed the atmosphere of the races along with the throwing and jumping events. FoBSA did what they do best and fed and watered the crowds and we were treated to a Taylor house trophy win! (Ms Warren)



## LRC

Once again the LRC has been lucky to be given a selection of books by parents, thank you.

During the holidays I will be weeding the fiction books we have and any book not read since the year 2000, even if a classic, will be donated to a local second hand book shop. Also during the holidays the LRCs carpets are being cleaned, so NO dirty boots or shoes please!

A big thank you to all those boys who have borrowed and returned books over the last academic year, to those who have borrowed and not returned the books, please do, if the book is lost I am happy to have it replaced by a previously read book from a charity shop or Amazon, just let me know. (Miss Bradford)



### **Leavers Service**

Every year we find it hard to say farewell to the Year 11 boys at their leavers service but maybe it was more poignant this year as the group of boys departing were our first ever Year 7 boys to start at Brymore. We've loved having them and watching them grow from small 11 years olds to strapping young men and getting to know all of the families that become part of our community forever, We wish every single one of them good luck for the future and hope they come back to see us. (Ms Warren)

AWARDS	RECIPIENT
Head Boy Award	Thomas Faulkner
The Elmrabti Award	George Mills
Outstanding effort in English	Nicholas Payne
Outstanding effort in Maths	Timothy Cook
Tony Edwards' Cup	Benjamin Trim
Hutson Design Award	Benjamin Trim
Award for Creative Endeavour	Cameron Kinch
Most Chads	Nicholas Payne
PTA Victor Ludorum	Harry Meade
Somerset NFU Agriculture Award	Oliver Spence
Old Brymorians Agriculture Award	Harrison Scott
Kino Owl Public Spirit Award	Cameron Kinch
Mark Hill Cup	Harvey Reading
All Blacks jersey for senior rugby	Sam Sarachi
Troy Plate	Nicholas Payne
Gary Morgan Cup	Toby Ranson
Engineering Award	Oliver Spence
Cavendish Cup	Drew Wotton
BSA Brymore Boarding Cup Societal Cup	Lysander Allen-Skinner
Adamson Award	Benjamin Trim
Brymore YFC Special Award (2019 only)	Cameron Kinch
The Ray Culliford Cup	George Mills
The Windows Cup	Oliver Spence
Brymore Spur	Nicholas Payne
Headteacher's Prize	Cameron Kinch







## Horticulture

This is the time of year when the weeds go mad and there are plants to put out in the beds and borders and in the walled garden, plants to pot on and then some harvesting to be done.

We finished the pergola over the new sales area (particular thanks to Year 10 students, (especially Archie Hooper) and put up the irrigation system and the shade netting over the top and

Harry Weaver and Tim Cook got the solar powered water feature to work, just in time for Open Day.

We have dug through the perennial border on the South side of the walled garden, a couple of times, to get rid of the pernicious weeds that were growing there and we hope that a fallow season will mean that most of them will die off and then we hope to rewire the wall, design and replant the border next Winter.

Straight after Easter we began to plant up hanging baskets and have made in excess of 80 baskets, many of which were sold immediately prior to or on Open Day. The barrier baskets for Cannington in Bloom were planted up using plants which the boys have raised and the Britain in Bloom judges have just visited Brymore to look at our displays and facilities, and were shown around by Ben Bryant and Harry Atkinson (thank you to them both for coming in during their holidays to do that). Many of the other plants planted around the village have also come from our department.

The Year 11 Land Based students should all achieve the Award in Horticultural Skills which is run alongside of the Land based course.

The Year 9 students visited Cannington Walled Gardens and greenhouses and the Year 8s went to look at the peat regeneration project at Westhay Moor. Our own little bit of conservation work in the walled garden, the wild flower meadow, is looking stunning and bug boxes and a bug hotel can be found in amongst the wonderful flowers. It is worth a visit.

The Year 7s enjoyed their visits to the local strawberry farm, 16+ acres under glass and polytunnels growing JUST strawberries and supplying Sainsbury's and Lidl's. We are so grateful to Mr Richard Winter for his time and generosity in giving strawberries to the boys.

Straight after Easter we took a group of Year 9s to the Bath and West Showground to the Field to Fork Event where they demonstrated seed sowing to over 600 primary school pupils. Then over the May Day Bank Holiday we attended the Powderham Castle (Toby Buckland) Garden Show where a variety of students were 'sherpers' for the day and helped out in other ways around the Show. The fruit and vegetables have kept us busy with the harvesting, although our potato crop was very poor this year. The onions and the garlic have been excellent and now we have courgettes which are fast threatening to become marrows.

Work continues, to reclaim and clean off the bricks of the wall and then fresh ones which match those already there have to be sourced.











A huge thank you to all those who have helped and supported in the department. We had a very successful Open Day sale, (and a special thank you to Harry Weaver, Tim Cook and Arthur Light for coming back before Open Day to help us get ready for that event) but we still have plenty more plants left, so if you are in need of that 'special plant' contact either Mr Willcocks or Mrs Stanley or see us on a Friday when the stall is out by the LRC. All funds raised go straight back into the department to replace equipment or by new stock.



It is with very mixed feelings that we said goodbye to Mrs Meatyard at the end of term as she goes off on Maternity Leave. She has been such an incredible help to us on Thursdays and Fridays and she will be missed but we wish her all the best and look forward to hearing good news in September.

I also need to thank the Year 10 HoDs who regularly attend garden duties and help and encourage the Year 8 students with their tasks and also the Year 9s who stepped up during Work Experience week. Without these boys Garden Duties would not take place and the department would be the poorer for it. My thanks, as always, go to Mrs Stanley who works so very hard, putting in long hours over her timetabled time. She is much more than a technician and has such a wealth of knowledge and cares about the progress of each boy. Also, there have been a whole group of TAs who have stepped in to look after groups of boys when we have practical lessons because as yet Mrs Mitchell has not been replaced. I am so grateful to the TAs who have braved the elements, often at short notice, which has enabled the practical lessons to take place.

This is such an exciting department to be a part of and if you want to know more I am always happy to bore you silly with facts and experiences. We are so very fortunate to have the facilities we have and the wonderful ambience to work in. It's a joy! (Mr Willcocks)

#### The Message

In many schools this would be called the Christian Union and is basically an opportunity for students to ask questions and find out more about what Christians believe, what the bible says, views and opinions of Christians, what Jesus said and so on. It is not a preach session but is very much video and discussion based. We meet on Wednesdays in Room 9 after an early lunch and have a snack and follow a programme of learning. Previously we have followed the Youth Alpha series and then this year we looked at a number of miracles and parables, what is prayer and also listened to a diverse group of testimonies of people who have become Christians. Regular attendance means that the boys can keep up with the theme and get the most out of it and this is not just a club for those who already attend a church (although they are very welcome) but for anyone who has half an interest and wants to know more. See Mr Willcocks for more details.

#### **Bee Club**

Bee Club takes place on a Monday evening, 4.00 pm - 5.00pm every other week during Autumn 1 and Summer 1 and 2 terms. We go to the Spaxton Apiary where we have two hives dedicated to Brymore students and once they are suited up they handle bees and learn to identify the queen, workers and drones. We also look at the eggs and learn to recognise queen cells. We have checked the bees health, collected a swarm, checked for honey and collected and spun out honey. There have also been a few close encounters with bees that somehow manage to get inside of the bee suit, but no serious injuries.

New members can join after Easter 2020 and present members are invited to join bee keeping meetings which take place at Brymore on Tuesday evenings after prep. The information learnt and the practical skills are assessed and can go towards gaining a Level 1 Certificate in Bee Keeping. (Mr Willcocks)



## **Reading News**

We are really pleased to say that this year has seen a huge increase in the number of boys reading and taking quizzes on Accelerated Reader. A large number of boys have now formed really good reading habits.

#### Expectations:

- To have a reading book with you at all times
- To log at least 140 minutes of reading per week on 'Reading Rewards' (20 minutes per day)
- To read a book within your ZPD
- To aim to read 2-3 books (depending on length) per half term
- To take responsibility to work hard in order to try to achieve your annual personal target
- To work as part of a team and read in order to earn rewards for my class
- To work as part of a team and read in order to earn points for my house
- To share stories you have enjoyed with your peers and recommend books you have en joyed to others
- · To respect, look after and return the books you enjoy from the LRC

We have awarded many boys with their reading certificates this year.

#### Platinum - at least 50 minutes of reading per day and over 100% of annual reading target

Hadley Carreras-Bennett

Sam Chedgey

#### Gold - at least 40 minutes of reading per day and over 100% of annual reading target

Toby Lee

Jadan Prendergast

Artie Shrimpton

#### Silver - at least 30 minutes of reading per day and over 100% of annual reading target

Aiden Crispin

David Goodman

**Toby Moyle** 

Henri Rowe

A huge well done to all these boys for their dedication and effort. May it continue long into the future.

500 house points were awarded to the house which read the most words:

1st: Taylor: 28,497,979 words

2nd: Walker: 27,163,795 words

3rd: Galsworthy: 21,162,915 words



We ran two rewards trips this year. The boys that achieved 33% of their annual reading target by Christmas went on a trip to Flip Out. And the boys that achieved 72% of their annual reading target by Easter went to Go Ape. Both trips were a huge success.

Finally, we have several word millionaires this year. The following boys have read over 1,000,000 words this year which is another brilliant achievement:

Sam Chedgey	2,744,158
George Jones	1,900,037
Artie Shrimpton	1,801,302
Jadan Prendergast	1,636,246
Josh Comer	1,513,564
Hadley Carreras-Bennett	1,459,498
George Davis	1,391,465
George McCormack	1,179,802
Toby Lee	1,145,039
Anthony Hill	1,127,824
Henri Rowe	1,122,183
David Goodman	1,096,803
Tyler Botterill	1,079,834
Jason White	1,068,757
Aiden Grandfield	1,042,148
Thomas Sweeny	1,010,666
Ethan Parfitt	1,004,563

A special mention goes to Sam Chedgey who is our only word multi millionaire, reading over 2,000,000 words.

Sam Chedgey 2,744,158 Wow!

Please remember, reading can still be logged and quizzes can be taken over the holidays. We encourage the boys to carry on reading with this enthusiasm as it has made a huge difference to their reading ages and abilities. (Mrs McFall)



### **Accelerated Reader Reward Trip**

In June we ran our second reward trip for the boys performing over and above with their reading and this time we went to Go Ape near Exeter. The boys, as ever, were a credit to the school and they all had a brilliant time. For boys to be on track to meet their annual target, they should be at approximately 66% of this when they return from the Easter break. Boys who continue to make excellent progress towards their target will be invited on a final reward trip at the end of the year. (Mrs Taylor-Lane)



## Induction

We welcomed our newest Brymore boys at the start of July for their two day induction period. The boys were put through their paces with a rounders tournament, some maths and English testing, an orientation tour of the school and lots of team games. After their two days the boys went home tired but with a good feel of the expectations placed upon them as a Brymore boy. (Ms Warren)





## Choir

The choir meet for two lunch-times each week to practise. This year we have prepared a lot of songs from different musicals, mainly around the theme of dreaming. We also enjoyed an afternoon singing workshop with Frazer Scott. Scottish Bass-Baritone, Frazer Scott, studied with Prof. Susan McCulloch at the Guildhall School of Music and Drama (Postgraduate Masters of Music, Masters of Performance and Opera School). Prior to this, he studied with Henry Herford at the Birmingham Conservatoire. He now studies with Christine Cairns. In 2013, Frazer was the First Runner-up and Audience Prize Winner at the Maureen Lehane Vocal Awards, held in the Wigmore Hall, London. Having worked as a soloist with a number of leading orchestras (eg. CBSO, BBC and Orchestra of St Johns), as an opera singer (Grange Park, BYO, Holland Park, Raymond Gubbay), and singer on various adverts (Kettle Chips, BBC Radio, Sloppy Joe's BBQ Sauce!)

Singing is good fun but needs commitment and dedication and is not for the faint hearted, as the boys who sang at the prize giving ceremony found out, singing to an audience 500+. Well done to them! Any boys who want to join in September are welcome but need to understand this it is hard work and we get so much more done if they concentrate and focus.

Thank you to all those who have been the bedrock of the choir throughout the year. Anyone who would like to join should see me early in the new term. (Mr Willcocks)

## **Work Experience**

This has proven to be a very difficult year for boys to find placements, but in the end the boys went out to a whole variety of placements and had an interesting and useful week. The reports coming in have spoken of students who were engaged and interested, sometimes shy, but asking questions and showing initiative, as we would expect of a Brymore boy.

A word of caution for new Year 10 students - get your requests to providers early because some boys this year were turned down and then had to find another placement. All placement providers must have public and employers liability and the week set will be 29 June to3 July 2020. Also, if a student would like to go on the Armed Forces work experience please let Miss Bradford know very early because these weeks often happen much earlier in the year and speak to your local recruitment office.

If your son has no idea what to do then I suggest he speaks to Miss Bradford early in September and she can give him a lot of information and again if you are at a loss as to whom to contact in a certain type of employment, we can help out with contacts. There are commendations and prizes for those who get their completed forms in early, but the deadline is the end of Autumn 2 term, 14 December 2019. Ms Briggs also helps to enable the boys to find placements but for further information please speak to me, Ms Briggs or Miss Bradford. (Mr Willcocks)

## Lottery

Congratulations to our Summer winners of the lottery. Should anyone wish to join the lottery or even just find out how it works then please contact Mrs Wilkinson in the main office on 01278 652369 or pop in and see her in reception.

1 <sup>st</sup>	£40	Mrs H Clay
2 <sup>nd</sup>	£25	Mrs G Hone
3 <sup>rd</sup>	£15	Mr J Atyeo



## **End of School Year**

Our last day of the academic year is often started with the swimming gala, however due to a technical problem with the pool we had to change things. Ultimately the day was still special and with a good turnout from families we celebrated many achievements from our boys since September 2018. We are always grateful for the parental support at such events and so to see so many of you was great. Mr Thomas gave out many



awards, assisted by our Governor Ann Dyer, and prizes for everything from reading, academic performance and musical prowess to sporting endeavours, effort in all lessons and those looking after their plots with splendour. Congratulations to Taylor House who won the FoBSA Shield for most house points over the year. (Ms Warren)

Philip Prince Cup	Dedicated effort	Aidan Grandfield
Growers Cup	Work on individual plot	Harry Golding Jonathan Norris
Fiddington Shield	Progress and improvement in Senior Cricket	Ethan Carr
TE Awamutu award for junior rugby	Junior rugby	Joseph Fear
535 American Veterans Award	Creative Endeavour	Toby Moyle (Year 7)
Martyn Knox Trophy	Chads Hill runs	Alex Jennings

Half colours for Rugby:

Louis Bagg (Captain)

Ethan Hake

William Holter-Hovind

Apatu Shield	Team award	Year 10 Rugby team
Victor Ludorum	Excellent effort in Rugby and Athletics	Joseph Stephenson
The Holter-Hovind Cup	Overcome significant challenge (not specifically academic)	Reece Sutherland
Governors' Award	Overall contribution to Brymore	Joseph Stephenson







#### **2019 Upcoming Important Dates Autumn Term**

Monday 9 September	
INSET DAY	
5.00 pm	New Year 7 Boarders arrive
6.00 pm	Year 8, 9, 10 & 11 boarders return
<b>Tuesday 10 September</b>	
8.30 am	All out-boarders return
Friday 13 September	
4.30 pm	Hog Roast for new Year 7 and their parents
Friday 20 September an	nd 4 October
9.30 am - 12.00 pm	Open Mornings for future prospective students
Saturday 5 October	
10.00 am - 12.00 pm	Open Morning for future prospective students (boarder specific)
Saturday 19 October	
10.00 am	Upper School <sup>1</sup> Harvest Festival, St Mary's Church, Cannington, TA5 2HP
11.30 am	Whole School Cross Country
1.30 pm	FoBSA AGM (Meeting Room)
1.30 pm	Upper School <sup>1</sup> depart for half-term
2.15 pm	Lower School <sup>2</sup> Harvest Festival, St Mary's Church, Cannington, TA5 2HP
3.15 pm (approx.)	Lower School <sup>2</sup> depart for half-term
Monday 4 November	
INSET DAY	
3.30 pm	Year 7 Parent Consultation with Houseparents, Heads of House &
	Registration Group Tutors
	Academic Progress with Senior Leadership Team (Selected Year 11 students only)
6.00 pm - 9.00 pm	Year 8, 9 10 & 11 boarders return
Tuesday 5 November	
8.30 am	All out-boarders return
Friday 13 December	
4.00 pm	Lower School <sup>2</sup> Christmas Service, St Mary's Church, Cannington, TA5 2HP
5.15 pm (approx.)	Lower School <sup>2</sup> depart for Christmas holidays
Saturday 14 December	
10.30 am	Upper School <sup>1</sup> Christmas Service, St Mary's Church, Cannington, TA5 2HP
11.45 am (approx.)	Upper School <sup>1</sup> depart for Christmas holidays

<sup>1</sup> Upper School (Years 9, 10 & 11)
<sup>2</sup> Lower School (Years 7 & 8)



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