

Chairman's Report

Greetings from your PTA

It is nice to update you on the activities we get involved with. Tradition seems to show that from Christmas to Easter we don't have many activities. We did have a wine appreciation evening in February and, although the numbers were low, the evening was most enjoyable. We had lots to drink and also discovered the true value of wines from different regions.



Our next function will be the St. Thomas Garnet's Spring Ball which will be held on Friday 5th May at The Hotel Miramar. This is a most popular event and I encourage you to book your tickets early as numbers are limited. We will have a first class meal followed by a Disco and Casino.

In June we hold our annual Summer Fete for which we, as always, depend upon your help with items for the stalls and Grand Raffle, as well as help leading up to and on the day. We are always interested in new ideas, so if you have anything to contribute or an activity that you feel we should try, then just contact a Member of the Committee.

We will also be arranging a disco for the children in July - details to follow.

As always, I express my thanks for all the effort and time the PTA gives in helping throughout the year. Thanks to all our parents, staff and friends for your support.

Easter Greetings

Aidan Foy
Chairman PTA

PTA COMMITTEE 2005/06

As parents and carers we are all members of the PTA, here to raise funds for our School and to encourage social activities for all. Your Committee Members contribute many hours to enable this and are always really pleased to hear suggestions and receive offers of help. For this School Year we are:-

Aidan Foy (Chairman)
Julie Astley-Weston
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Headmaster's Report

Welcome to this edition of the Gazette.

The Easter Term is traditionally the shortest term of the school year but, once again, we seem to have packed in such a wide variety of activities for the children: two sets of sports coaching, football, tag rugby, an introduction to rock climbing at Bournemouth University (we hope to return there in the Summer Term for a day of activity) and the Southampton Festival (where once again our Recorder Group claimed 1st place). The Police have visited most parts of the School, meeting the children and talking about keeping safe. The Kindergarten hosted a hands-on morning with traditional Indian costume and food. We have had two major charity fund raising drives: Children Working for Children and NCH. We raised over £1,000 for both, with the children organising a variety of events, etc., to contribute to this sum. The school Music Performance, which we hope will become an annual event, was truly a marvellous showcase for your children's talents. This year, I have included pictures from St. Thomas Garnet's Day - it is fascinating to watch children entertaining children!



The PTA has, as always, provided strong back-up in a variety of ways, to our school events, as well as organising their own events. Look forward to the immensely enjoyable Spring Ball.

The School has been given notice that an OFSTED inspection is due, probably in the Summer Term. We will be given 48 hours notice of the inspection date. You may receive a parent's questionnaire prior to the inspection which I would ask you to please complete and return as parental opinions form a part of the report. Copies of the report will be available to all parents after the inspection.

On behalf of Trustees and Staff, may I wish all of you a happy and safe Easter holiday.

Paul Gillings
Headmaster

Diary Dates - 2006



April	20th	Return to School
May	2nd	LAMDA Exams
	8th-12th	Key Stage 2 SATS
	15th	Mr Gillings - Pupil for a Day
	23th	Whole School Photo
	25th	Ascension Day Mass
	29th-2nd	Half-Term
June	5th-6th	Drama Performance Week
	13th & 14th	School Production (tbc)
	15th	Feast of Corpus Christi
	16th	Mufti
	23rd	Mufti & Summer Fayre
	28th	Sports Day (9.30 Infants/11.00 Jnr)
	29th	Open Afternoon
	30th	School Trips
July	6th	Prize Night
	7th	Term Ends
September	7th	Return to School

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