



# The Pilgrims' Way

Friday 3rd July 2009 [www.thepilgrims-school.co.uk](http://www.thepilgrims-school.co.uk)

## Set Athletics – Saturday July 4th

Information for dayboys and parents

Junior dayboys must be in the yard by 0921.

They should be dressed in athletics whites.

Junior athletics starts at 1000.

Presentations are at 1145 followed by visitor races and lunch.

Senior dayboys should arrive and sign in at the field by 1145

They should be dressed in athletics whites.

They will then be in time for visitor races and lunch

Senior athletics starts at 1300.

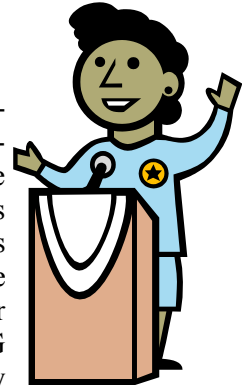
Presentation and departure should be close by 1530.

May the sun shine!



## The Year 6 and 7 Speech Prize

On Thursday morning the Pilgrims' Hall was a room of learning, entertainment and intense concentration as the six finalists spoke and answered questions on their chosen topics. The judge Matthew Huntley, former managing director of P & G Wells, praised all and especially



remarked upon the boys' ability to enthuse about their subject and to be relaxed. All were winners, because all succeeded and excelled, but on this occasion Rowan Ferguson, who spoke on cheese, was judged the best. Congratulations to Rowan, and also to:

James Jordan – African Bushmen

Vere Whittome – Psychology

George Petrie – Boomerangs

Tom Pumphrey – Colditz, Grandfather and Uncle Jock

Angus Thackray – Scuba Diving

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## Wednesday 8th July – Special Arrangements

Juniors in Year 3 have a tea party on New Piece; their collection will be at 1500

All Juniors in Year 4 or 5 may be collected at 1230, though there will be a programme of supervision for boarders remaining in or for those dayboys who cannot be collected until their normal sign-out time. Boys in the set which won this year's set competition may well want to stay for their barbecue, which finishes at 1315.

All choristers, both full and probationary, are invited to the Bishop's for the annual Strawberry Feast. This involves several traditional games followed by a wonderful tea, finishing with, of course, strawberries!

All Seniors may be collected at 1345, though there will be a programme of supervision for boarders remaining in or for those dayboys who cannot be collected until their normal sign-out time.

Many apologies if any inconvenience is caused.

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## National Athletics

On Monday, Angus Thackray, James Goble, George Herring and Noi Omaboe travelled to the National Athletics Finals at Birmingham. Noi was up against giants and did not make the final of the 200m; James ran gustily to come 9<sup>th</sup> in the final of the 800m; Angus ran a tad cautiously to come 6<sup>th</sup> in the final of the 1500m; George ran his best race of the season and broke 60 seconds for the first time to come 6<sup>th</sup> in the final of the 400m. All the boys had done superbly to get this far; all learned from and enjoyed the experience.

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## The Pilgrims' Sponsored Walk

Overnight rain and a dull grey morning didn't bode well for our Pilgrims' Sponsored Walk. But the heavens were kind and the rain and grey sky cleared. The children from Preprep to year 8 were enthusiastic, the parents were supportive finding sponsors and many walked with the School. Catherine Secker and the Brothers at St Cross were welcoming. The result was a lot of fun and the amazing sum of £3779.44 was collected.

Thank you all you wonderful parents and children, Nicky Bryant for organising the Fete, The Dean and Lorna Atwell for granting the School access to their garden for the Fete and Geoffrey Hammond for his Silent Auction.

*Matron, Sandy Snelgar*

## A Year 4 Perspective

I think it was a good idea to raise money for Shepherds Down and a good opportunity for people to have fun. It was a great success so well done to everyone who organised it.

*Angus Robertson*

*Kyle Alexander*

# Art Days

at

# Studio 17

**Wednesday 5 August 7-9 years**

**Friday 7th August 9-11 years**

**10 a.m.—2.15 p.m.**

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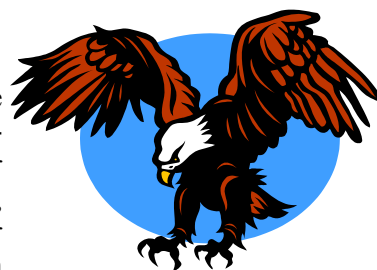
## Free Bicycle!

I have one boy's bike to give away to first-comers. It would suit a boy in Yrs 3-5 (or a small Yr 6 boy, or a large, burgeoning Yr 2 boy). If interested parties could email me ([jmoody@pilgrims-school.co.uk](mailto:jmoody@pilgrims-school.co.uk)) or catch me in the yard, I will happily show them the free merchandise (must be able to collect for themselves!).



## Year 4 Trip

On Tuesday the whole of Year 4 accompanied by Mr Shedden, Miss Luke, Mrs Rees and Mr Wrigley spent a wonderful day at the Hawk Conservancy. This was the most fantastic day enjoyed equally, if not more, by the staff as the boys. We arrived in time to see the vultures being fed and then were treated to an amazing display of flying and foraging birds—the secretary bird trying to kill a rubber snake was one of the highlights of this! After our picnic lunch we had time to explore all the other aviaries and then for the finale we were treated to the fabulous sight of first a sea eagle, then a peregrine falcon, five vultures swooping right over our heads and finally two bald eagles flying right down the valley towards us. It was superb and if anyone has not been there I can highly recommend it. Many thanks to Mr Shedden and Miss Luke for this great school trip.



## Boarders' Mystery Evening

The boarders' mystery evening turned out to be their own personal fun fair on the playing fields. What a fabulous evening they had! There was a climbing wall, bucking bronco, laser quest, assault course, archery and bouncy castle. Before all this they enjoyed a barbecue and throughout the evening there were drinks, popcorn and waffles available. The weather was hot and still and everyone had the most fantastic time. Many, many thanks to Nick and Beccy Prowse for all their hard work in organising such an unforgettable evening!