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LATITUDE

WELCOME TO

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ISSUE

Headteacher's Letter

Education is about achievement but this can be achieved in so many ways! More and more students are actively involved in the wide range of clubs, trips and experiences we offer, and Student Voice continues to change the school.

Well done to everyone for a great year and a massive thank you to the staff who make this possible!

Chris Roberts

Chris Doherty
Headteacher





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YEAR 8 MEET EBOU ADAMS!

On 27th April, a few of our Year 8 students were paid a visit from [@pompeyitc](https://www.instagram.com/pompeyitc) ⚽

In tow was Ebou Adams, defensive midfielder for Portsmouth FC. Ebou talked about his journey in football, his motivations and how he stays active in the community. He then answered some questions and kindly took the time to take photographs with our students, who were very excited! 😊

Thank you Pompey In The Community and Ebou for a great afternoon!





**HOT CHOCOLATE
FRIDAY WITH THE
HEADTEACHER!**



* Admiral Achievers *

CELEBRATING YOUR OUT-OF-SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENTS

EDIE'S SENSATIONAL SEASON!



Edie in Year 9, Victory 2, has had an amazing first full season at Moneyfields Yellows U14 Team - The girls were unbeaten all season and also won the League Cup final in May against Stoneham Pumas winning 3-1! Edie scored the clinching goal with a fantastic header to seal the victory.

Edie also scored an amazing 28 goals in total in her first full season - Well done!

AMELIE GLIDES TO VICTORY!



Amelie (Year 8, Spinnaker 11) has enjoyed an outstanding ice hockey season. Playing for the Slough Jets U14B, her team topped the South League, finishing first out of 11 teams to qualify for the EIH National Championships.

They then defeated the top Northern Division team in impressive fashion, winning 12-2. At the Nationals in Sheffield, Amelie also represented the Ice Bees, helping her team reach the final and secure an excellent second-place finish nationally, becoming runners-up in the country.

To round off a remarkable season, Amelie and the Slough Jets won the prestigious end-of-season Sheffield Tournament, beating five other teams and triumphing in a thrilling final to lift the trophy.

Congratulations to Amelie and her teammates on an incredible year of success! 🏆🥇🥈🥉



ROBYN PERFORMS AT DISNEYLAND PARIS!

Robyn in Year 8, Spinnaker 11, and her dance squad were asked to perform at Disneyland Paris during the Easter holidays!



Her academy said:

'What an unforgettable trip! From magical moments in the park to incredible performances, it was a truly special experience for everyone involved. We are so proud of all our dancers for their hard work, enthusiasm and teamwork throughout the trip. Memories to last a lifetime.'



... and she doesn't stop there! Robyn also recently competed at All England Dance Regional Finals! She competed in Tap and Global. Dancing beautifully for both, she was awarded runner-up for her Global performance and went on to compete at the National Finals in the summer. Amazing work Robyn!

JAYDEN RACES INTO 1ST PLACE!



Jayden in Year 7, Mary Rose 5, placed 1st in the TeamSport E-karting Grid series. Not only was he 1st place overall, he was 1st place in every round over the last 6 months! Well done Jayden!

RORY WINS THE CAD CHALLENGE!

A huge well done to Rory in Year 9, Warrior 5, who won the CAD challenge in his transition to UTC for next year! This was against all the pupils in his year, having never used the programming before!

THEO VOLUNTEERS AT PRETTY MUDDY AND RACE FOR LIFE!



Theo in Year 10, Mary Rose 5, volunteered Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th May with his fellow police cadets at Pretty Muddy and Race For Life. This included helping with motivational warm ups, giving refreshments during the race and handing out medals at the finish line including congratulatory hugs when asked. Yes, even the really muddy ones! Theo and his fellow police cadets also featured in The News Facebook post which they are so proud of.

HOPE RECEIVES BRONZE!

Hope in Year 9, Mary Rose 8, recently entered her first BIS Solo Figure Skating Competition in London.



She was competing against 14 other skaters from around the country and came 3rd (only point off 1st place!) so now has another bronze medal to add to her collection.

Well done Hope!

KAITLIN TAKES TO THE STAGE!

Well done to Kaitlin in Year 8, Mary Rose 4, who recently took part in 2 performances of Frozen Jr with SD Studios, taking a leading part as Kristoff in the Matinee and as a member of the Snow Chorus in the evening. She gave a stunning performance!



WELL DONE CHARLIE!



Congratulations to Charlie in Year 7, Warrior 5, who has achieved his stage 4 RYA sailing award and is now moving on to advanced modules!

JAYDEN'S SAILING ADVENTURE!



Jayden in Year 10, Mary Rose 10, took part in a 'Youth Sailing Adventure' (run by MST Morning Star Trust) during the February half term and gained a RYA Competent Crew Certificate.

He learnt some completely new skills and applied them straight away, sailing to the Isle of Wight and around the Solent, as part of a small team on a 25ft yacht. On one of the days, the wind was very extremely challenging (39mph) even for competent sailors, but the team successfully navigated home! Well done Jayden!

BRITISH BATON TWIRLING FEDERATION NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP 2026!



Well done to Rosie in MR9, Lola in S7, Faye in S11, Eva in W1, Daisy in MR1, for participating in the British Baton Twirling Federation National Championship 2026!

ROBIN ON THE ONE SHOW!



The One Show had a feature on the "Sporting Bears" organisation who raise money for charity by offering rides in sports cars, it was part of the Big Thank you section. They support Portsmouth Down Syndrome Association at the moment and Robin in Year 7, Victory 7, made a quick appearance here collecting donations with her friend Aaron at a car event! Well done Robin!



RAISING 4

RAHA

£355 RAISED!



On Wednesday 22nd April, Neda and the Warrior prefects led another bake sale (plus sold ice lollies!) to raise money for **Children with Cancer UK**.

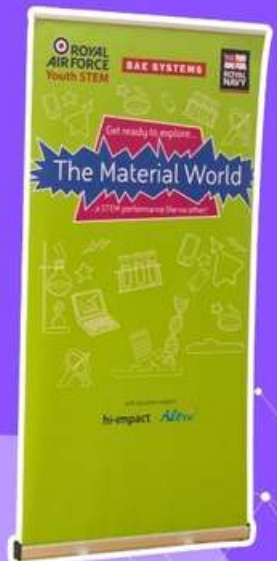
The sale was a huge hit and they raised an amazing **£355!**

Neda shared:

'Hey everyone, it's Neda. I'm here to tell you about a personal, great accomplishment of mine which is raising over £2,000 for young lives with cancer.

We've currently raised £1,380 for Teenage Cancer Trust and in our bake sales we have raised over £650 for Children with Cancer UK. I can't believe we have reached £2,000 - that is a lovely milestone that we have achieved together, however it is not the end. We will forever carry on spreading awareness and raising money that will make a difference in lives and families.'

STEM ROADSHOW!



On Tuesday 5th May, our Year 7s were treated to a visit from @altrudrama in association with hi-impact, Royal Air Force: Youth Stem, BAE Systems and the Royal Navy!

They were focusing on 'The Material World' - Exploring how STEM appears in our day-to-day lives where we may not realise, as well as who can be an engineer (Spoiler: anyone!) 🤖

It was an incredibly entertaining and interactive visit, thank you to our visitors for giving our Year 7 students a valuable experience! ⭐

Victory 9 Bake Off!



On 22nd May, Victory 9 held a non-competitive Bake Off in tutor time for Fun Friday! Mr Holmes said: 'It was great and we all really enjoyed it. Everyone was complimenting the bakers on their lovely food.'

Contributors were:

- Stella T: Shortbread choc chips
- Lillie S: Mini Victoria sponge cakes
- Aurelia D: White choc chip cookies
- Anniyah T: amazing cupcakes!
- Mrs Barber: Chocolate cornflake cakes and cheese twists
- Mr Holmes: Sausage rolls and banana bread

Well done everyone!



DOFE

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82nd D-Day Anniversary Ceremony in Caen!

🌸 Remembering, Reflecting, Connecting 🌸
Students from the Salterns Trust Academy proudly represented Portsmouth at the D-Day commemorations in Caen, France from 5 to 6 June 2026.

In a moving ceremony attended by veterans, dignitaries and international guests, our students honoured those who served in the Second World War while strengthening the historic bond between Portsmouth and its twin city, Caen.

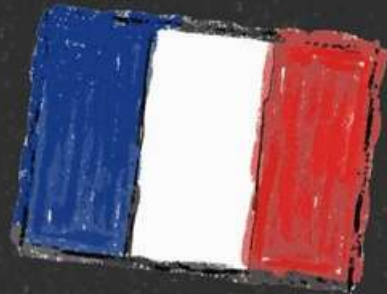
From powerful performances of God Save the King and La Marseillaise to the moving hymn O Valiant Heart, our students demonstrated exceptional professionalism, respect and musical excellence throughout.

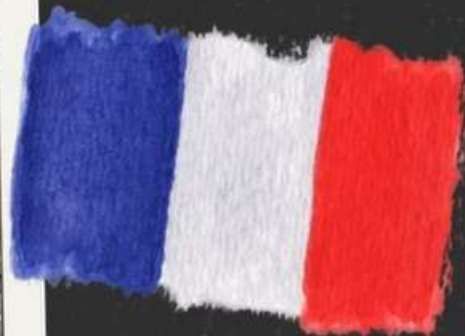
A particularly poignant moment saw a bilingual recitation of Pourquoi ? in French and English, bringing together students from both nations in a shared act of remembrance and unity.

Beyond the ceremony, students had the honour of meeting the Lord Mayor of Portsmouth and the Mayor of Caen, celebrating the importance of international friendship, cultural exchange and remembrance.

This unforgettable experience highlighted the power of language learning, collaboration and global citizenship, leaving a lasting impact on everyone involved.

 Salterns Academy Trust





Year 8 English Lesson in our New Outdoor Classroom!



In June, Year 8 experienced an English lesson in our new outdoor classroom! ☀️

They were performing a scene from Shakespeare's Merchant of Venice, performing in the open air like they do at the Globe theatre. Just like Shakespeare in the Park in New York! 🗽😎

Well done everyone 😊

Our New Wildflower Meadow!



🌸🐝🌻 In our Nature and Outdoor Classroom Area, students have planted a wildflower meadow which has really blossomed in the last couple of weeks thanks to the students who look after this area on a daily basis.

There are now many insects and especially bees visiting the wildflowers so it would be great to install bug hotels if any student wants to make one and place it in the area! 🌻🐝🌻





Year 11 BBQ





PROM NIGHT 2026







Where Can German Lead To?



On Tuesday 30th June, our Year 9 students discovered the answer at the Goethe-Institut Career Roadshow hosted by the University of Portsmouth.

Students selected from a range of inspiring sessions, including translation, interpreting, tourism, sustainability, studying abroad and careers where German language skills make a real difference.

An exciting day showcasing how languages can unlock opportunities both in the UK and around the world.

#FutureReady #German #LanguagesMatter
#CareerRoadshow #GoetheInstitut

RUN 4 RAHA

IN MEMORY OF *Raha Mortazaie-Far*



On Friday 3rd July, Mr Waldren ran the school field from 3am - 3pm to raise money for Cancer Research UK in memory of former student Raha Mortazaie-Far.

Mr Waldren explained: 'This is much more than just running laps around our school field. Raha was a student at Admiral Lord Nelson School. Last year, she sadly passed away from cancer. She was, as you know, many people's friends, someone's classmate, someone's daughter, and someone's sister. Her sister Neda is currently in Year 11 and will soon be leaving us. We want to make sure that Raha's name, memory and impact she had on our community doesn't leave us when Neda leaves.'

'We're ensuring Raha is never forgotten and that her legacy lives on through our school community.'

You're also showing that as a school, we support one another and remember those who have been part of our journey.'

Year 7, 8 and 9 all joined in on the run, running and/or walking for 100 minutes at a time. Well done everyone!







2026 Year 8 Camp!





SUMMER SPORTS DAY



WINNERS:
WARRIOR!







German Exchange Project



In June, students participating in our German Exchange project travelled to Berlin to meet their exchange partners and experience life in Germany. They attended lessons at Anna Essinger Gemeinschaftsschule, worked on collaborative projects, and explored cultural similarities and differences between the UK and Germany. Outside school, students spent time with their hosts, visiting lakes, swimming pools, shops and local neighbourhoods.

A busy day of sightseeing saw students visit iconic landmarks including Checkpoint Charlie, the Brandenburg Gate, the Reichstag and Alexanderplatz, while also sampling local favourites such as Currywurst and practising their German with local people. Back at school, students enjoyed a variety of lessons, museum visits and the school's popular cafeteria!

The trip concluded with a graffiti workshop at Mauerpark, where students created a piece of artwork celebrating their German-English friendship. After an unforgettable week, students returned home with lasting memories, new friendships and valuable cultural experiences.



MAYFLOWER STUDIOS THEATRE TECH DAY!

In July, a group of students from Year 8, 9 and 10 took a trip to Mayflower Studios in Southampton for a Theatre Tech Day!

They got to experience working on several different aspects of theatre technology, including lighting, sound, acting as Deputy Stage Manager, and working the fly system, which is the entire system of ropes, pulleys, and counterweights used to fly scenery in the air on stage!

We hope our students found the day interesting and insightful!





CELEBRATION ASSEMBLIES!





RESULTS Day!





Well done Class of 2026!

Dates for your Diary*

**Subject to change*

Thursday 3 rd September	Year 7 & 11 in school
Friday 4 th September	All students in school
Thursday 10 th September	Year 7 Meet the Tutor Evening & Clubs Fair
Tuesday 15 th September	School Photographer: Year 7, 9 & 11
Wednesday 16 th September	Year 8, 9 & 10 Virtual Parent Information Recording Shared
Tuesday 22 nd September	PD Day 1
Thursday 24 th September	Year 11 Parent Information Evening
Thursday 8 th October	Year 10 Work Experience Launch Parents Evening
Friday 9 th October	PD Day 2
Thursday 15 th October	Year 6 Prospective Parents Evening / Early Finish for Students
Thursday 16 th October	09:30: Late start for all students - Gates open 09:00
Tuesday 20 th October	DofE Presentation Evening
Thursday 22 nd October	Music Showcase
Friday 23 rd October	Non School Uniform Day
Monday 2 nd November	Students Return from Half Term
Thursday 12 th November	Year 12 Certificates Evening
Thursday 26 th November	Awards Evening
Friday 27 th November	INSET DAY
Tuesday 1 st December	PD Day 3
Wednesday 9 th December	Year 11 Parents Evening
Monday 14 th - Thursday 17 th December	House Festive Meal Week
Friday 18 th December	Celebration Assemblies / Staff Review / Early Finish for Students

