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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Annual Discounts: 10% for 2018-19 fees & 5% for Autumn Term 2018 if paid by May 25th.

We operate significant discount schemes on forward payment of fees that many parents are able to take advantage of. Both for new parents this year, and those to whom the discounts are familiar, please note they are now open for payment of fees for 2018-19, and also for Autumn Term fees. Details are available on request, and discounted fee payments are **due by May 25th (half-term)** to qualify. ***Please email the office for details.*** Thank you to those parents who have already applied.

GCSE & A LEVELS – FIRST WEEK

We must firstly thank all the pupils in the school, and you as parents and all our visitors for such superb co-operation over our procedures for exams. As the hall, where most of the exams are held, is central to school life, we have to do what we call a “lock-down” on all classes and corridors to ensure exams have uninterrupted peace. This involves changes to bells, break times, classes for lessons. The co-operation of the pupils during the day has been exemplary, and we know from the candidates there has been no distraction of noise etc to their exams. You may have read in the press how this year, as we have noted earlier, much harder syllabuses are being examined for many subjects for the first time. So far, the exams appear to have kept close to the syllabus, and our students have taken them well prepared. It is a taxing time for all candidates: we wish them well.

Reports

1. Thursday 17th May

2. Friday 18th May

3. Friday 18th May

4. Friday 18th May

5. Sunday 20th May

Y3/Y4 Tennis Festival–Queensgate Report follows; pics school facebook
Cabin School – Re-enactment of The Royal Wedding – St Mildred’s

Congratulations and thanks to Mrs Kirby, Mrs Swinscoe, Dr Holder, the church, parents and above all the pupils. It was magical!

Complete set of pictures will be on school facebook this week.

Ice-Cream Sale (to celebrate The Royal Wedding) Thank you to the PSA for this successful initiative-very popular! Repeated each Friday this term

Y5/Y6 Young Designers Awards – Quay Arts: 6 pupils shortlisted

S4 Much Ado About Nothing – Carisbrooke Castle (**Mr Lynch in cast!**)

Future Dates & Events

1. Tuesday 22nd May

2. Friday 25th May

3. Friday 25th May

Y1/Y2 – Triathlon Festival – Gurnard

Cabin School – Nettlecome Farm - Whitwell

4.00pm – Half Term begins

Grenfell Tower – School Procedures in case of fire. We have received from the Department of Education a survey and note, as all schools in the country have, regarding fire safety procedures. Our school, built of brick, does not have the kind of cladding that so tragically occurred in London; but we are asked to note our procedures. In summary: we had a complete fire risk assessment done after we acquired the building; as a result, we put in an integrated fire alarm system linking main school and cabin school, labs and art room; we do fire drills every half-term at least; our fire safety equipment is maintained and checked, together with weekly fire alarm checks, by Island Fire Alarms. Fire signs and fire exits are all marked and used in drills.

25th Anniversary June 15th County Press Double Spread – open for parents to advertise their businesses

E J Matyjaszek, Principal