

# MORLEY HOUSE NEWSLETTER

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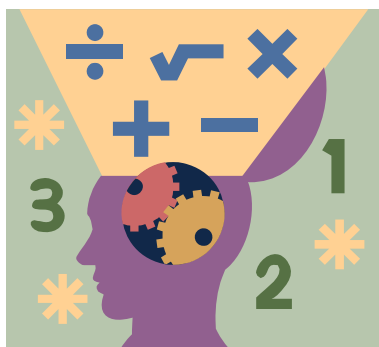
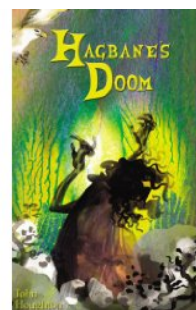


## School Summer Uniform

Children should return to school on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April wearing summer uniform which is supplied by Inter Sport, Cliffe High Street, Lewes. Unfortunately, the larger sizes in the summer dress will not be available until Friday 16<sup>th</sup> April but you can place a pre-order with Inter Sport.

## Hagbane's Doom Box Office

Both performances are now completely sold out. However, there are a few tickets left for the Dress Rehearsal on Tuesday 23 March at 2.00pm. Please remember to bring your tickets to the performance as entry will be strictly ticket only. We look forward to your company.



## Primary Maths Challenge Final

You may remember that Timon and Dominic in Year 6 progressed to the final stage of the Mathematical Society's Primary Maths Challenge. We have now received the results: while neither achieved a medal, both scored a very creditable mark and received a certificate for their efforts. Timon in particular was only one mark off a Bronze Medal. Well done to both of them.

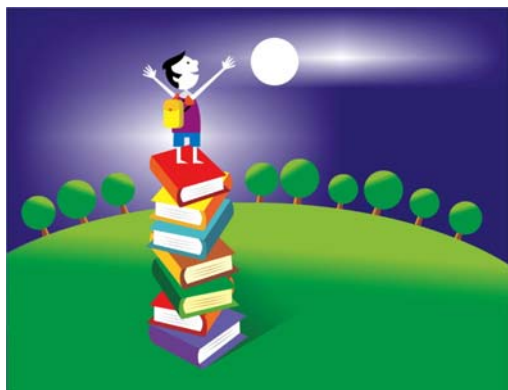
**Year 4 visited the National Portrait Gallery and here are two reports from their trip.**

On Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> March we went to the National Portrait Gallery. When we got there we went into the Indian portrait exhibition. The Indian pictures were very different to other pictures because they used lots of animals and very bright colours. Afterwards we went to the Irving Penn exhibition and looked at all the photographs of famous people, it was very interesting and we all learnt a lot. After that we all looked around the portrait gallery, then we met years 5 and 6 and went back to school.

*By Daisy Blewitt*

On Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> March years 4 & 5 went to the National Portrait Gallery. We arrived at London Docks and then took a ferry across the Thames we saw lots of exciting buildings such as the London Eye and Big Ben. We got off the ferry and walked to the National Portrait Gallery. When we got there we put our bags in the cloakroom and split into groups and went to see the Indian exhibition and saw some amazing portraits painted by Indian artists. Afterwards we went to Trafalgar Square to eat our lunch and we saw the statue of Nelson. Next we saw the Irving Penn exhibition and then visited the gift shop. Finally we walked back to the bus stop and began the long journey back to school.

*By Joe Light, Connie Crossland, Natashan Newton & William Pearce*



## **Books for Free**

There are lots of books on the bench by the main front door which are *free books* and people are welcome to just come and help themselves.

### Stone Hill Farm

On Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> March Year 2 went to Stone Hill Farm for a fossil dig. We found lots of flint and sandstone, but Oni's find was best of all. She found a real fossil. It was amazing! We had such a fantastic time digging for fossils that we didn't want to go home.



### Nursery Visit to the Sea Life Centre

On Monday 8<sup>th</sup> March the Nursery children visited the Sea Life Centre in Brighton.

The children were entertained with a rock pool demonstration. They were fascinated with the sea anemones and were allowed to touch them. We listened to the lady talk about the rock pool and watched as she passed around crabs for us to look at more closely and feel if we wanted.

The children saw sea horses, stingrays, jelly fish, crabs, lobsters, octopus, lots of fish in all shapes, sizes & colours; we even saw 'Nemo' swimming in one tank. Then we found the sharks & turtles! They were swimming around a large open tank waiting to be fed. We took our seats and watched feeding time with the turtles and sharks.

Our journey through the Sea Life Centre drew to a close as we walked through the 'see through' tunnel and saw the turtles & sharks. They were swimming right above our heads looking for the food that had been thrown in the water.

We arrived back hungry & tired and enjoyed our packed lunches in the Nursery. The children were pleased to receive a special goodie bag to take home as a reminder of their special day.

This educational trip was exciting and lots of fun. It has supported our current topic, 'Under the Sea' and brought to life all the discussions and role play opportunities the children have been exploring this half term. I would like to thank all the adult helpers who accompanied us on the trip, not only for helping to supervise, but enhancing the children's learning experiences by answering many questions and pointing out interesting sea creatures to look at.

*By Sue Giles - Nursery Manager*

