

Our Parents' Evenings on Sunday and Monday were very well attended. Thank you to all the parents who were present and also to those of you who communicated with us electronically or via a telephone call. It was lovely to be able to meet or communicate with you regarding your child's progress. What is obvious is that so many of our children are making really good progress in their learning – as evidenced by their work; assignments and classwork were impressive in both quality and range. We continue to appreciate your support of us and thank you for this.

Curriculum News: We have been completing assessments, finishing off projects and celebrating International Day this week in secondary. Additionally, as part of our International Day, we studied the work of James Mollison. His photographs highlight and contrast the different living situations for young people across the globe. Mollison said of his work: 'I found myself thinking about my bedroom: how significant it was during my childhood, and how it reflected what I had and who I was . . . It occurred to me that a way to address some of the complex situations and social issues affecting children would be to look at where children sleep in all kinds of different circumstances.' Thus, we studied some of his images and they definitely enhanced our understanding of how different children live across the globe, but also gave us a clear sense of appreciation for what we have in our own lives. At times it is important to reflect on how fortunate we are . . .

On the creative theme, secondary students participated in a range of workshops on International Day – some designed Top Trump Cards based on mythological creatures from across the globe; some worked on storyboarding and scripting the tale of Beddgelert from Wales; some voiced over cartoons of traditional tales from around the world; some composed a piece of music; others studied an aspect of human DNA.

In terms of performances, secondary students participated in a range of these - from Street Art to Indian Dancing, from poetry reading to the Yola, as well as communal singing and dancing a traditional Jordanian Wedding Dance. We had a delightful time and particularly enjoyed the World Stalls that our parents had organised for us and breakfast at le Café Francais. Thank you to everyone who contributed to making International Day 2015 our best one yet!

School recommences as follows: Sunday 12th April, 2015. Until then, **have a restful and enjoyable break one and all.**

Advance Notice:

Summer Examinations for secondary students will take place between 27th May and 11th June 2015.

