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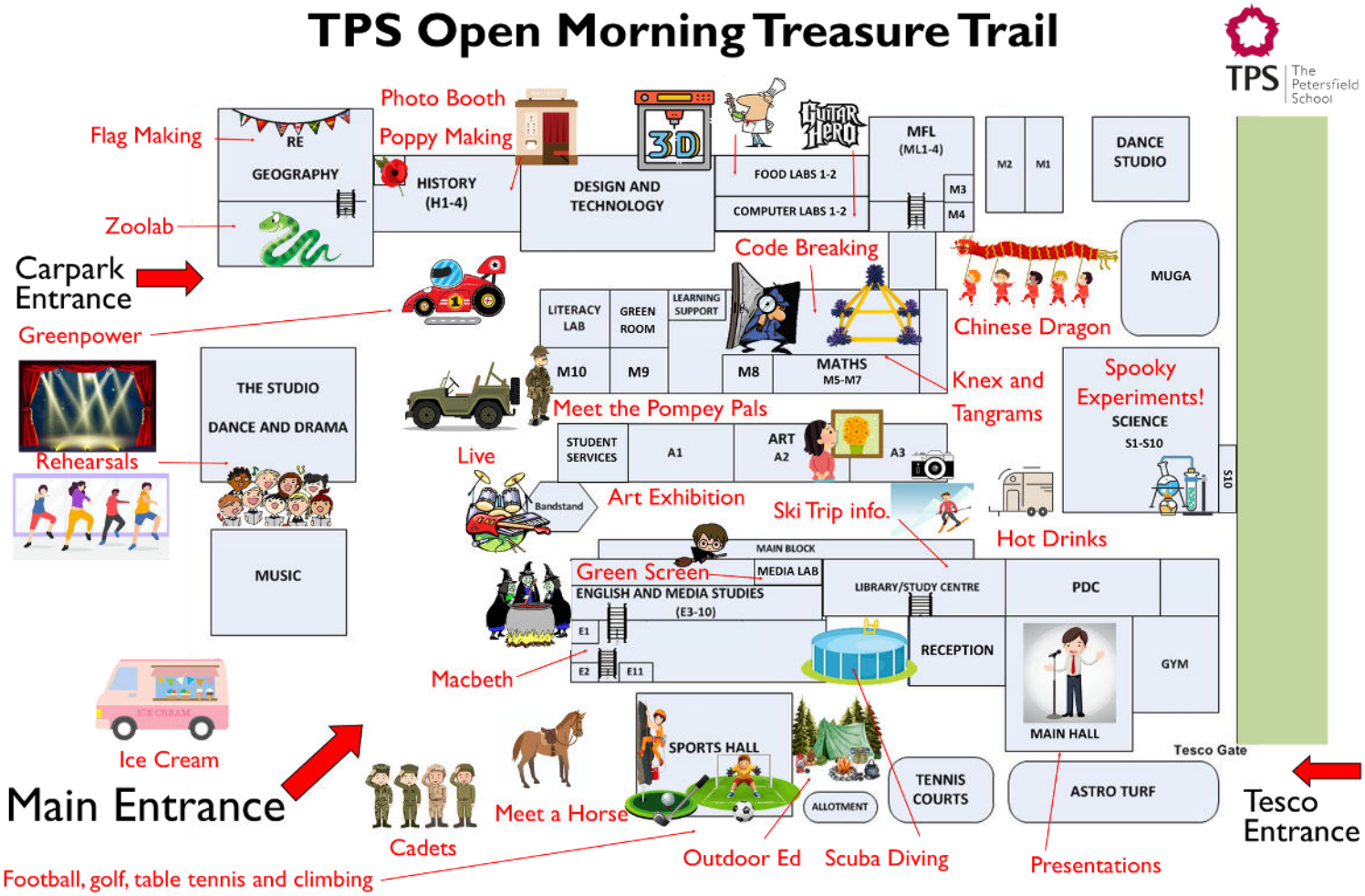
Team TPS Weekly

Friday 18 September 2026

Welcome from

The Open Morning Team



These are just <u>some</u> of our exciting Open Morning activities. How many can you complete?

Tomorrow is our annual Open Morning!

With the site open to visitors from 9am-1pm, we cannot wait to celebrate #TeamTPS with our visiting families currently considering secondary school places.

The event is always great fun and a festival of all the many aspects of school that make TPS so special. For visitors it is a chance to try scuba diving, to see our outstanding outdoor clubs in action, to explore a working World War 2 military vehicle, to get close to snakes and other reptiles, to see our musical 'Legally Blonde' rehearsals in action, and so much more. It is also a chance to meet our amazing current students and to speak to staff about the exceptional learning that takes place every day. Indeed, this year we are proud to share the news that we have repeated our best ever GCSE results (85% 4+ in English and Maths) in 2026, and that we have been ranked as the 13th best 11-16 school in England by the Times Good Schools Guide.

Mr Marande will be speaking in the main hall at 10, 11 and 12 to go through in more detail our shared vision for TPS, as well as explaining the school admissions process.

Thank you in advance to all of our current students who are volunteering to make the day so special. Please remember to arrive by 8.45am and to finish at 1.15pm. Please can students not bring their bags on site and arrange to be collected off-site to avoid congestion. I hope they are looking forward to their free fish and chip lunch later this term!

Many thanks again for all the work done across the whole community for making our Open Morning so special, and please remember to let families considering secondary school places know about the event.



Communications & Reminders



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2027 Elite Journey China Summer School

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This week, we were delighted to welcome the founder of Elite Journey and a representative from the University of Oxford to introduce an exciting summer camp programme with Minxin School in Guangzhou, China, which is open to all students at TPS.

The event highlighted a range of eye-opening opportunities for cultural exchange, language learning, and visits to cutting-edge Chinese technology companies. Our MEP students who attended the programme this summer shared their wonderful experiences, and we were delighted to hear from former student Zac, who returned to reflect on his time in Guangzhou and the lasting impact of the experience.

The Oxford representative also shared his Mandarin learning experience, demonstrating the many doors language learning can open.

To express an interest please scan the QR code or click on the link below:

[Interest Registration Form]

A webinar will be arranged in the future who those who express interest/sign up to know more about this opportunity.

Flu Vaccinations



A reminder that the Immunisation Team will be in school on **14 and 16 October** to administer the Flu Vaccination to students in **Years 7-11**.

Please complete the consent form using the link below, even if you do not wish your child to receive the vaccination

TPS-Secondary-Info-with-Link.pdf

Apple Updates to Parental Controls IOS 27

Apple's new operating software (IOS 27) now gives parents more refined controls over their children's devices.

Follow the link to Apples website for detailed instructions on how to use them.

2026/09/ios27-parental-controls.pdf

Vote for Keira!





A huge well done to Year 11 student Keira who has been shortlisted in the Young Achiever category at the Petersfield Awards this year.

"I am delighted to be nominated for young achiever of the year. Music is my way of living, and I love to express myself through writing heartfelt lyrics and soulful melodies. I'm super grateful for the support I have received from my friends and family as releasing music is super vulnerable and I'm honoured to be nominated for my greatest passion."

Please show your support for Keira by voting via the below link. Voting closes on 11 October 2026.

https://www.petersfieldfest.com/thepetersfieldawards

Vote for Miss Jones!





Please join us in supporting Miss Rhiannon Jones who has been nominated for a Petersfield Award in the Teacher of the Year category.

If you would like to vote for Rhiannon please follow the link below. Voting closes on 11 October 2026.

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Reform UK, crypto and a £72 million row

Two men have broken the record for the biggest single political donations in British history. Some worry British parties are getting bought up. Does money poison democracy?



This week for TPS Talks we have been finding out about the megadonors who have given the right-wing party Reform UK £36 million each; the biggest single political donations in British history. Students have been discussing and debating whether it is undemocratic if billionaires can use their personal wealth to give a big boost to parties they favour. They have been tasked with thinking about what set of rules they would come up with to decide who can donate to political parties.

TPS-Talks-Week-2-18.9.26.pdf



We are delighted to offer 16 students the opportunity to take part in a 6-week horse-riding programme at Fort Widley Equestrian Centre. Running initially from Fridays from 8 January to 12 February 2027, 3 - 4pm after school, students will enjoy weekly riding lessons and stable management sessions, developing both riding skills and horse care knowledge.

Places are limited and will be allocated by lottery if oversubscribed. The cost for all six sessions is £121, payable via ParentPay after confirmation of places. Another 6-week course will be available in the summer term, and offered to the students on the waiting list.

For more information, please click here: **Riding-Lesson-Interest-Letter-Sept-26.pdf**

ANCHORS AWEIGH! 2027

OCEAN YOUTH SAILING VOYAGES

EXPLORE THE SEAS THROUGH OUR SCHOOL!



AVAILABLE VOYAGES - UPCOMING YEAR

Voyage No.	Nights aboard	Start Day & Time	Start Date	Start Port	End Day & Time	End Date	End Port	Price per person
P27-02	4	Mon 14:00	22-Mar	Southampton	Fri 11:00	26-Mar	Southampton	**£555**
P27-08	4	Mon 14:00	19-Apr	Southampton	Fri 11:00	23-Apr	Southampton	**£555**
P27-17	5	Mon 14:00	17-May	Southampton	Sat 11:00	22-May	Southampton	**£660**

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

* **PLEASE NOTE: VOYAGE P27-17 IS A 5-NIGHT VOYAGE (MAY 17-22)**, unlike the 4-night options!

* **FOR VOYAGE P27-02:** As it finishes on **GOOD FRIDAY (MARCH 26)**, parents must make their own arrangements to take and collect children from **SOUTHAMPTON PORT**.

To sign up for the voyages please complete the form: Ocean Youth Sailing Trust Voyages – Registration of Interest – Fill out form

Any questions please email me anowell@petersfieldschool.com

Deadline for form completion: Friday 24 September



YOUR FUTURE

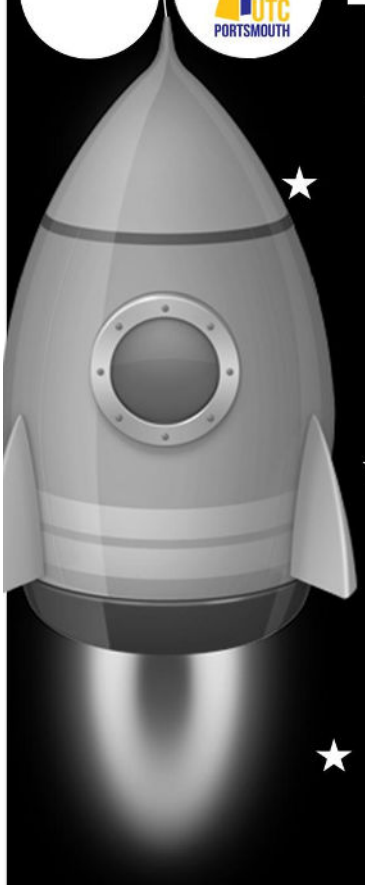
DISCOVER THE

ENDLESS POSSIBILITIES

University • Employment • Sixth Form • College

TPS CAREERS FAIR

Thursday 22 October
1.30 - 4.20pm
TPS Sports Hall

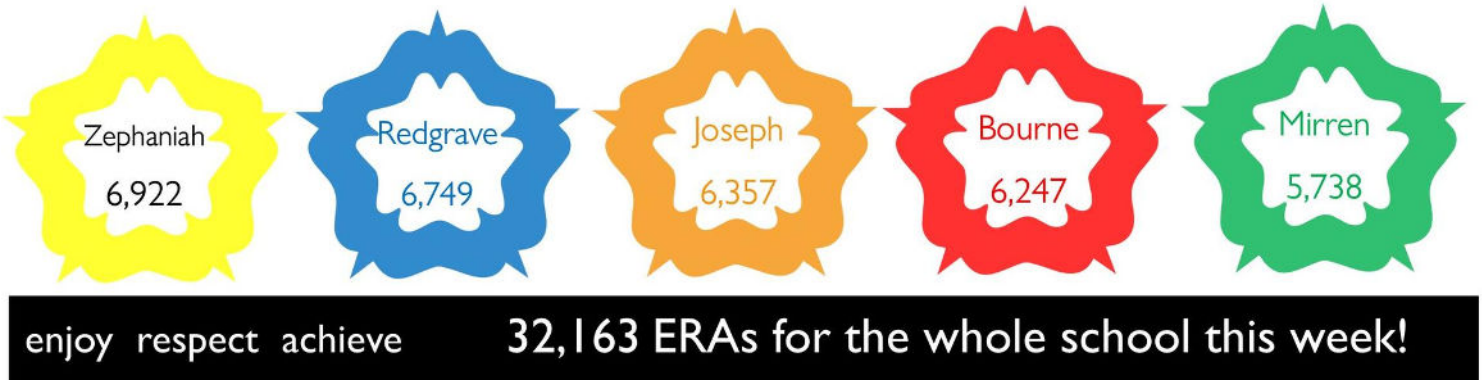


Year 10 - Year 11 1.30 - 3.30pm
Parents and all year groups 3.30 - 4.20pm
Information on Careers and Employment, Sixth Form Colleges and Universities.



For more information, please click on the link below:

[Parent-Governor-letter-Sept-2026.pdf]



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Year 7



Year 7 Information Evening

Wednesday 23 September in the Studio

Save the date.

Further information and booking details to follow.

KS3 IGNITE

Cross-Curricular Workshop Calendar 2026-2027

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in the main hall



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Year 8



Year 8 Information Evening

Wednesday 30 September in the Studio

www.ticketsource.com/thestudiotps

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Powerpoint: Presentation

Letter of Interest Form:

https://forms.gle/P86xP2tcwDDioV8s7

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Year 9



Year 9 Information Evening

Tuesday 29 September in the Studio

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Year 10



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Monday 21 September in the Studio

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Year 11

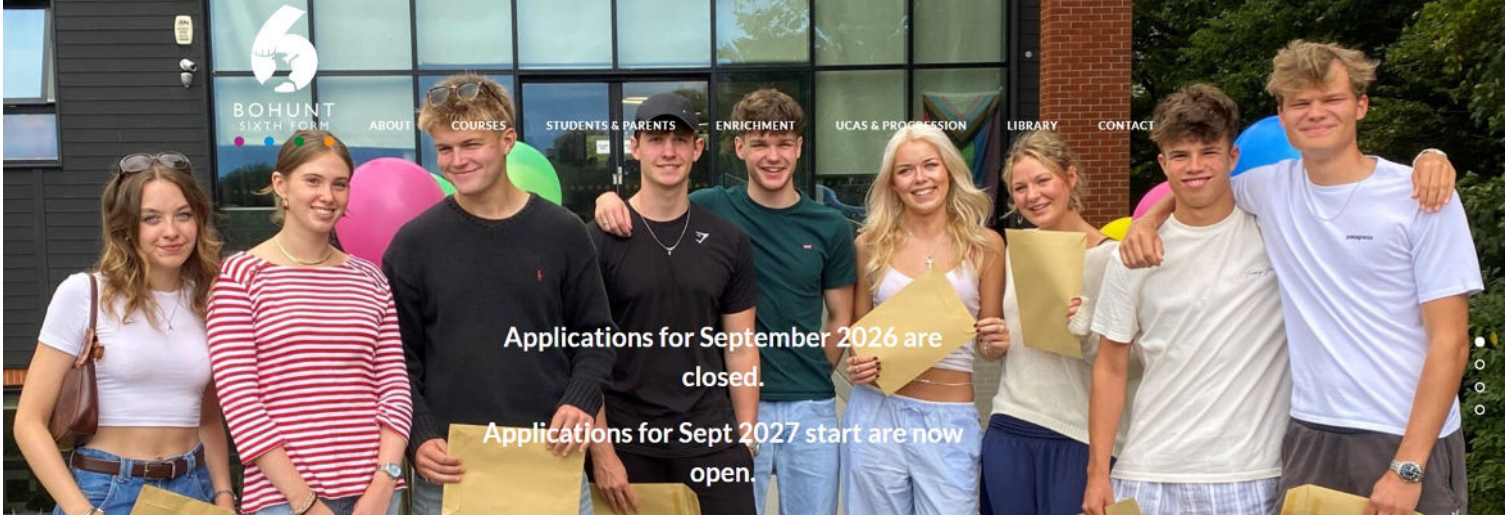
Exam Dates 2027



Exam dates for the 2027 examination series have been released and an overview of the timetable is available on the school website by clicking the following link:

https://www.petersfieldschool.com/about/results-and-exam-information/

College Open Events 2026-27



For a list of College Open Events 2026-27, please click on the link below:

2026/07/College-Open-Events.pdf

Some colleges require you to pre-book your space on the open event, so please do check on their websites first.

Careers

TPS Careers HUB

Careers and Post-16 information, plus links to exciting and inspiring opportunities

TPS Careers Hub– Our platform for advice and support on all things Careers and Post-16 information, plus links to exciting and inspiring opportunities. This will be updated weekly so keep checking for information to support your child in making their Post-16 plans!

CareersHub.com/careers-the-petersfield-school-

TPS - Spotlight

Our New Astro Pitch



Work on our new astro pitch is now complete. We are very excited to see our students enjoying the new facility.

Please come and view it for yourselves on Open Morning!

Dates for your Diary

Autumn Term	Open Morning	Saturday 19 September 2026
	Year 10 Information Evening	Monday 21 September 2026
	Year 7 Information Evening	Wednesday 23 September 2026
	INSET Day	Friday 25 September 2026
	Year 9 Information Evening	Tuesday 29 September 2026
	Year 8 Information Evening	Wednesday 30 September 2026
	Last day of Half Term	Friday 23 October 2026
	Half Term Break	26 October-03 November 2026
	INSET Day	Wednesday 25 November 2026
	Last day of Autumn Term	Friday 18 December 2026 12pm Finish

https://www.petersfieldschool.com/parents/term-dates/

Attendance



E-Safety



Sports Results and News

Week 3A

Monday 14th September 2026

Year 10 Boys Football

TPS 0-2 Costello County Cup Round 1

Year 10s battled hard on Monday in the County Cup during a Bohunt Trust Derby. Two stunning strikes from Costello were enough for them to take the win despite some good pressure in the second half from TPS which included a header from Jayden rattling the crossbar.

Tuesday 15th September September 2026

Year 9 Boys Football

TPS 2-1 Bourne in WSW League

Congratulations to our Year 9 Football team who kick started their WSW league campaign with a win this week against Bourne. A towering header from Wiktor followed by a cool finish from Jacob was enough to seal the win for TPS. They now face Chichester Free school next Tuesday.



Wednesday 16th September September 2026

Year 11 Boys Football

TPS 2-3 Bishop Luffa WSW League

TPS travelled to Bishop Luffa on Wednesday for their first game of the new season. Finishes from George and Oscar weren't quite enough to earn TPS a win on this occasion. They look forward to two games next Week against John Hanson on Wednesday and Chichester High School on Thursday.

Year 11 Girls Football

TPS 4-1 Ormiston Six Villages WSW League

An excellent start to the season for the U16 girls, who turned a tentative opening into a convincing performance. After a cautious start, the team settled into the game following an opening goal from Harriet. Confidence grew throughout the first half, and Millie doubled the lead with a tidy finish, giving the girls a deserved 2-0 advantage at half time.

The team enjoyed even more possession in the second half, creating numerous scoring opportunities and they were rewarded with two further goals - one more from Harriet and another from Martha. A strong all-round display saw the girls start their season in impressive fashion, running out 4-1 winners.



Year 9 Girls Football

TPS 2-5 Kings County Cup Round 1



After School Autumn/Winter Sports Clubs

There is no need to sign up for clubs just turn up and get changed in the relevant changing rooms!

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Astro	Girls Football			Boys Rugby Girls Rugby	Boys Football
Sports Hall	All Years Basketball	Boys Handball	GCSE Rock Climbing	Girls Handball	
MUGA		All Years Hockey			Netball
Field		Ultimate Frisbee			
Gym				Taekwondo	
PE1			Leadership		

VORTEX VIPERS

FUN. FRIENDS. FITNESS.
ALL SKILLS. ALL GAME.

JUNIOR NETBALL



YEARS 7&8

TRAINING TUESDAYS

4:30PM – 6:00PM

DEVELOP
Improve your netball skills and game play

CONNECT
Make friends, build confidence and be part of a team

COMPETE
League games, tournaments and more!

HAVE FUN!
Be active, challenge yourself and enjoy every moment

THE CLANFIELD CENTRE
PO8 0YF

LOVE NETBALL?

Come along, give it a go and be part of the *Viper family!*

REGISTER YOUR INTEREST OR FIND OUT MORE:

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OUR VALUES | TEAMWORK | RESPECT | PASSION | VIPERS FOREVER

Hot Food Menu

TPS

MAINS

FROM £2.80

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
MASALA MOMENTS	**AMERICAN BBQ**	**MOST OF ROAST**	**TASTE OF INDONESIA**	**FISH & CHIP SHOP**
Smokey Butter Chicken Masala with Mango Chutney	BBQ Pulled Pork Slider	Roast Gammon **OR** Chicken with Stuffing & Herb Gravy	Nut-less Satay Chicken with Lemongrass & Coconut Sauce	Battered Fish Fillet **OR** Crispy Chicken Tenders
Smokey Tofu Makhani with Mango Chutney	BBQ Mac & Cheese with Garlic Breadcrumbs	Vegan Red Lentil Sage & Onion Sausage Roll with Herb Gravy	Nut-less Satay Tempeh with Lemongrass & Coconut Sauce	Cheese & Tomato Turnover
Pilau Rice Spicy Roasted Cauliflower Pappadums	Ranch Slaw Seasoned Wedges Onion Rings	Crunchy Roast Potatoes Savoy Cabbage & Carrots Yorkshire Pudding	Sticky Ginger Rice Pickled Cucumber Prawn Crackers	Chips Peas Baked Beans Curry Sauce



	HOT DELI/GLOBAL EATS FROM £2.85	DESSERTS FROM £1.55
MON	Hot Dog with Mustard & Crispy Onions	Chocolate Streusel Cake
TUE	Portuguese Peri-Peri Chicken & Rice	Hummingbird Cake
WED	Soy & Ginger Chow Mein Noodles	Caramel Apple Shortbread Crumble & Custard
THU	Spicy Chicken Burger with Wedges	Lemon & Blueberry Sponge
FRI		Chocolate and Orange Marble Cake

W/C: 31/08/26, 21/09/26, 12/10/26, 09/11/26, 30/11/26

ALLERGEN INFORMATION If you have a food allergy or intolerance, please ask the Allergen Guru or Chef Manager about the ingredients in your meal.



PASTA/JACKETS STATION AND SALAD BAR AVAILABLE EVERYDAY!

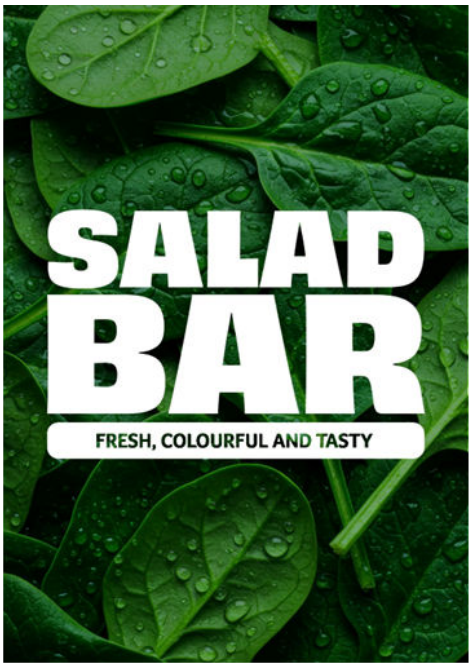


LOOK OUT FOR OUR MEAL DEALS AND GRAB & GO!



CELEBRATING 25 YEARS ACCENT CATERING









And Finally...



Petersfield County Secondary School Try Persevere Succeed

THE PETERSFIELD SCHOOL An Outstanding Academy

TPS The Petersfield School enjoy respect achieve

We have recently uncovered a Team TPS archive of old photos and press cuttings. Over the next few months we would like to share some of these wonderful memories with you .

This week: More highlights from our first Open Morning in 1982



Circuit boards and propeller making in DT

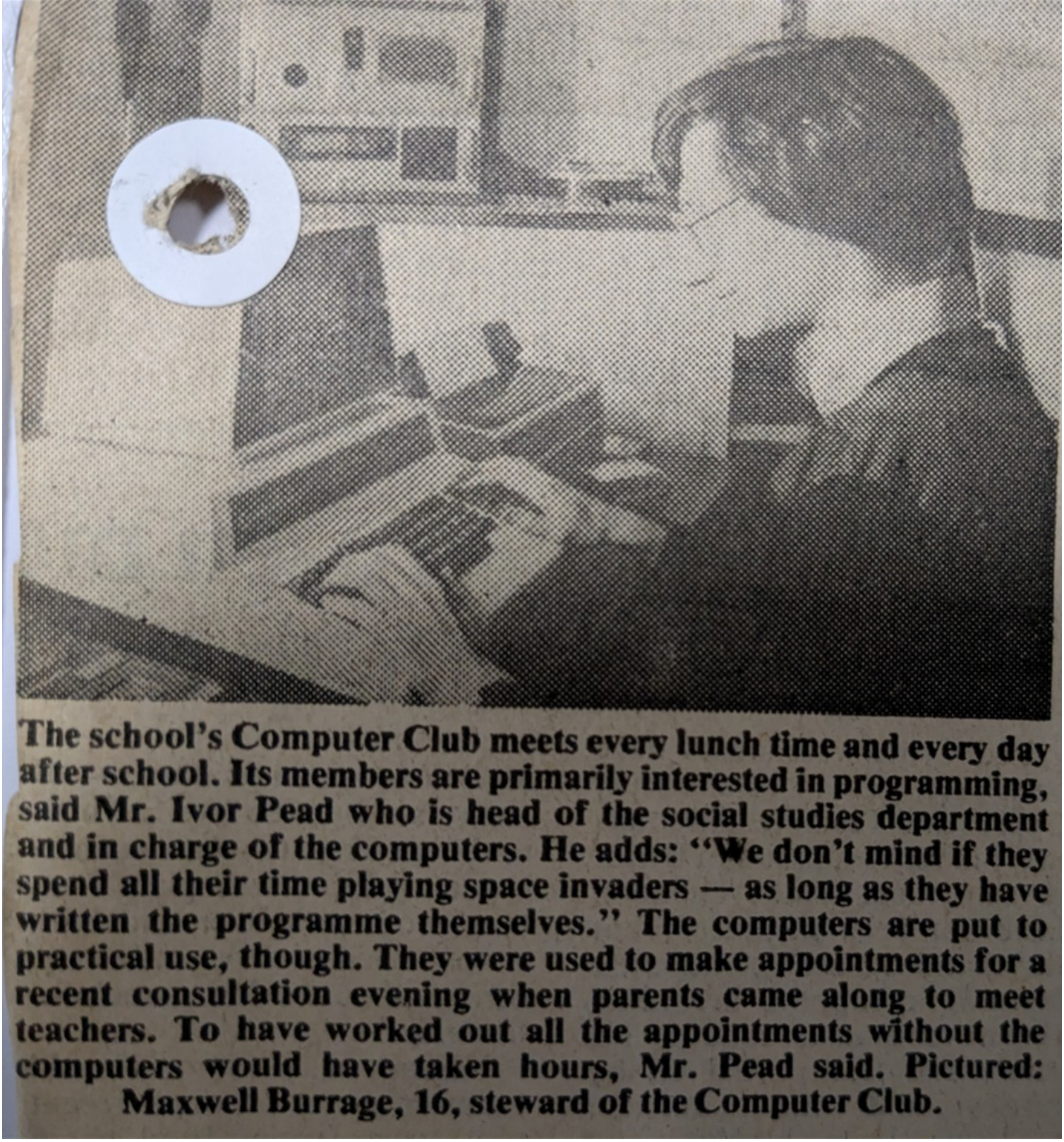


DofE camping demonstration and typing activities





The very exciting new Computer Club!



The school's Computer Club meets every lunch time and every day after school. Its members are primarily interested in programming, said Mr. Ivor Pead who is head of the social studies department and in charge of the computers. He adds: "We don't mind if they spend all their time playing space invaders — as long as they have written the programme themselves." The computers are put to practical use, though. They were used to make appointments for a recent consultation evening when parents came along to meet teachers. To have worked out all the appointments without the computers would have taken hours, Mr. Pead said. Pictured: Maxwell Burrage, 16, steward of the Computer Club.

Useful Links

Team TPS Fundraiser for The Rosemary Foundation





Earlier this year we experienced the devastating loss of our friend and colleague Mr Newton to cancer. He provided countless opportunities and experiences for young people at the school and he will be much missed by all who knew him.

Over the year TPS will undertake a number of fundraising activities so please do donate if you can: [The Petersfield School Fundraiser for The Rosemary Foundation]

Thank you for your support



HOME START Butser

SORT OUT IN SEPTEMBER

Your old jewellery could help change a childhood

Got a jewellery box full of pieces you no longer wear? This September, why not have a sort out and turn those forgotten treasures into something that can make a real difference to local families?

Home-Start Butser is collecting unwanted jewellery throughout September, with donations helping us support local families with young children when they need us most.

What can you donate?

We're collecting:

Gold and silver jewellery – wearable or broken, including odd earrings and tangled chains

Watches – working or not

Costume jewellery

Drop it off at TPS Reception during the week of 21-25 September

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TPS Appeal Trust *Your support makes it happen…*



Please click the button below for more information about the TPS Appeal Trust and how you can make a donation or monthly payment.

[Appeal Trust Letter]

Donate!

[Current Vacancies]

We are looking for a …

Volunteer Parent Governor to join our Local Governing Body (LGB)

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- Are you enthusiastic about making a difference for young people and contributing to the local community?
- Are you willing to challenge and ask questions?
- Do you want to use your skills in a rewarding voluntary role and gain new experience?
- Do you have a few hours available each month in school termtime?
- All skills and backgrounds welcome – no specific experience or educational knowledge required.

  Training will be provided





If you are interested in joining a virtual information session, or have any questions, please contact the Clerk, Samantha Stanley via Sstanley@bohunt.hants.sch.uk

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Volunteer application form

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