

# THE GRYPHON



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Dear Parents and Brookes Community,

This week has been filled with exciting learning opportunities and activities! Our students have engaged in hands-on projects that have sparked their creativity and collaboration skills. In addition, we have focused on developing their critical thinking, through various discussions and problem-solving exercises. We encourage you to ask your child about their experiences this week and share their achievements at home.

As always, thank you for your continued support and involvement in our school community. We look forward to another week of growth and learning!

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paul Jackson".

Paul Jackson  
Principal





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# WOW

## Congratulations

On Thursday 12th September we set off for Hickstead. Emily had qualified for a few classes on her relatively new horse. We went knowing that we may not come back with any ribbons, as he is still a very young horse. To our absolute delight we came back with a 5th place in Arena Eventing and were absolutely delighted as we also received a 3rd place in a very smart showing class (Riding Horse). We had a fabulous time and gained excellent experience.

*Parent write up*



Olivia also competed in the same event. She did exceptionally well, placing top ten in her classes, which is great as she has recently moved up to novice level in dressage.



## Uniform

The new academic year has started very positively, however, we kindly ask for your support at home in helping to maintain our high standards of student uniform, ensuring that all students come to school dressed appropriately and in line with our guidelines.

**Skirts** - Please ensure that all skirts are of an appropriate length, sitting at or just above the knee, in accordance with our school uniform policy.

**Shoes** - Black trainers are not school shoes. Please can students be wearing appropriate school shoes, unless prior agreement has been made.





*This week*

## Forest School

It's so exciting that all of our students, from Cherry Trees through to Year 9, now get to enjoy weekly Forest School sessions.

The students have been busy building various play equipment, including swings and tree houses. Its been lovely to see the students taking ownership of the Forest and engaging with nature.

We have also been learning how to use tools safely - from drills to saws. This week, Mr Alan and Mr Graham trimmed the big hazel tree in the middle of the forest, the students can now use the branches for crafts, firewood and den building. Thank you Mr Alan and Mr Graham.

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## Stars of the Week

This week's Stars of the week once again enjoyed a delicious cupcake with Mrs Gale, Junior School Lead, as a treat in recognition of their hard work and caring attitudes.

Thanks to Miss Nightingale, Brookes UK's food tech teacher for providing such delicious fare!



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For our Open Morning to be successful, we want all students to play an active and dynamic role in leading activities throughout the event.

Please can you inform Mr Jackson if your child is unable to attend the upcoming Open Morning.

**OPEN MORNING**  
Saturday, 12th October, 2024

**10:00 - 14:00**

**Tour | Activities | Lunch**

