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Headmaster's Notes

Dear Parents and Students,

Our Spring Break followed by External Examinations

The school year is flying by and we are already at the Spring break. The period that follows, until the end of the year, is very intense and busy, particularly for our older students who will be involved in external examinations that will be important for their futures. We trust they will use of the break for intense revision, as some examinations start the week after our return to School. We wish them every success and are looking forward to some top grades.

Spring Concert

I am sure that those of you who attended the annual Spring Concert would want to join, with me, in congratulating all the participants involved. It was an evening of excellence where students from across the secondary school shared their musical talents through voice, individual instruments and in bands. A huge thank you and well done to the Music Department teachers – Mr Glenn Horsfall, Mrs Rosie Dixon and the Music subject leader, Mrs Nicki Elcome, who directed the concert.

Car Park Courtesy

Although this is a subject I have written about before, it was once again on the PTA agenda at their last meeting. Clearly a large number of parents are still very upset and offended by the poor behaviour of parents/chauffeurs in the car park.



There are still cars parked on the roundabout (unless I stand there) and cars parked across spaces for three cars, stopping anyone using the other two spaces in the new car park (which would also seem to be too far to walk for some parents!)

If you park behind the staff cars – YOU CAN NOT LEAVE YOUR CAR. Staff make their appointments outside of school time and may need to leave immediately after school.

Finally, some of our parents need to check out the rules for handicap spaces in France.

Please – as I've said before – show your children a good example. Thank you for your consideration for the school community as a whole.

The Summer Term

We return to school, after the break, on Monday 24th April at the normal start time. During the term, there are several short holidays – Monday 1st May, Monday 8th May, Thursday & Friday 25th and 26th May and Monday 5th June. Please note, there may be external examinations on these dates.

For the rest of the time, children should be in School. The end of the school year is on Friday 30th June at 12h00 with our Graduation and Farewell Ceremony at 18h30. As there are nine weeks of vacation in the summer, please do not take your children out of School early at the end of June.

Have an excellent Spring break.

Kindest regards,

Brian G. Hickmore

Headmaster



Julianna Achrenius—Form 13j

From Sue Dunnachie

Our sincere congratulations to **Chiara Goldig** in Form 8b and **Erle Lunde** in Form 7b who participated in the International Schools' Speech Contest which took place at CIV on 1st February. Ten students from the four ASEICA Schools, ISN, ISM and Mougins School competed, our reserve student was **Alexandra Savelyeva**. Five students were eliminated after the first round and Chiara then went through to the final round, which gave us an opportunity to hear her brilliant speech about the animal she would wish to be, an inspired desire to be a chameleon. She was awarded a well-deserved joint fourth place. Well done Chiara and thanks to the English Department for their support.

Madame Paris in the French Department is inspiring her students to be aware of our environment and the need to recycle/upcycle and has now presented them with a new challenge, that of entering the **Guinness Book of Records** by creating the longest serpent made of coffee capsules. Hopefully the vast amounts of coffee we have all been drinking will have a positive result!! The beautiful bird houses and birds, made by her students out of recycled materials went on display at the Ecoparc in Mougins during the International Competition/Exhibition organised by the Atelier d'Art Floral de Mougins on Saturday 25th March and Florence will be present at the Fête Eden in Mougins on Saturday 20th May.

A very big thank you to those of you who so kindly donated warm clothing and sleeping bags for the refugees in Italy and to Hanna Schaer for taking charge of the collection of these items. The response from our community is always so heart-warming.

On Friday 24th March students and staff of Mougins School once again participated in **Red Nose Day** organised bi-annually by Comic Relief. The campus was awash with wonderful red outfits and, of course, the **Noses** of choice this year. The money raised by the sale of the **Noses** (1,200€) goes directly to England to alleviate the suffering of the less fortunate in both Britain and Africa. Money raised from a cake sale organised by the Student Council will go to the Kenyankids Association which was created by Julie Hellon Cupples to bring aid to vulnerable girls in Kenya by providing a safe home, schooling, clothing and food, together with money raised by the raffle of a superb cake and the efforts of a mega aerobics class organised by Michelle Johnson. The sum raised, together with 248,10€ already collected at a previous cake sale organised by the Student Council, is 1,500€, a much appreciated gift to Kenion Kids. The School has also donated enough of our original green tee shirts to clothe all the girls who receive aid.



The Sport Department

On Wednesday 8th February the PE Department took 8 boys teams from forms 4,5,6,7, & 8 to play football against teams from EBICA school in Sophia Antipolis. All teams tho-



roughly enjoyed the experience and were pleased with their success. The event was well organised and the code of conduct of all boys who played was excellent. Although there was a competitive element, the games were played in a friendly and fun atmosphere with all boys shaking hands and congratulating each other on their performances at the end of matches. As a result of this success we hope to invite EBICA school here to play football and possibly other sports in the near future. Well done to all the students who played.

The Primary Student Council have been very active since January and enjoy meeting every week on Friday lunchtimes. They organised a 'Buddy Bench' every lunch break for children looking to make a new friend and have already hosted 2 fun days this term. On 10th February we enjoyed 'A favourite Colour Day' which involved dressing up in your favourite colour and entering a colouring competition. Every entry was amazing and are all on display in the Primary building. The lucky winner was Hugo in Reception. On 10th March an inter house quiz took place during assembly. Each team rose to the challenge but the Red Team 'Picasso' won outright. Well done to all the participants.



The book Fair

The Book Fair this year was once again a great opportunity for the children to meet a "real" writer, the author Jane Clarke, and to look at the hundreds of new books available to purchase during and after the school day. The primary children had the opportunity to learn some of Jane's tips on how to write



an interesting story during special workshops and everyone could purchase some books amongst hundreds on offer. Here are some of the bookmark competition winners with their chosen prizes.

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A superb drawing by Marina Bodo Ghaly—Form 5b

The Woman

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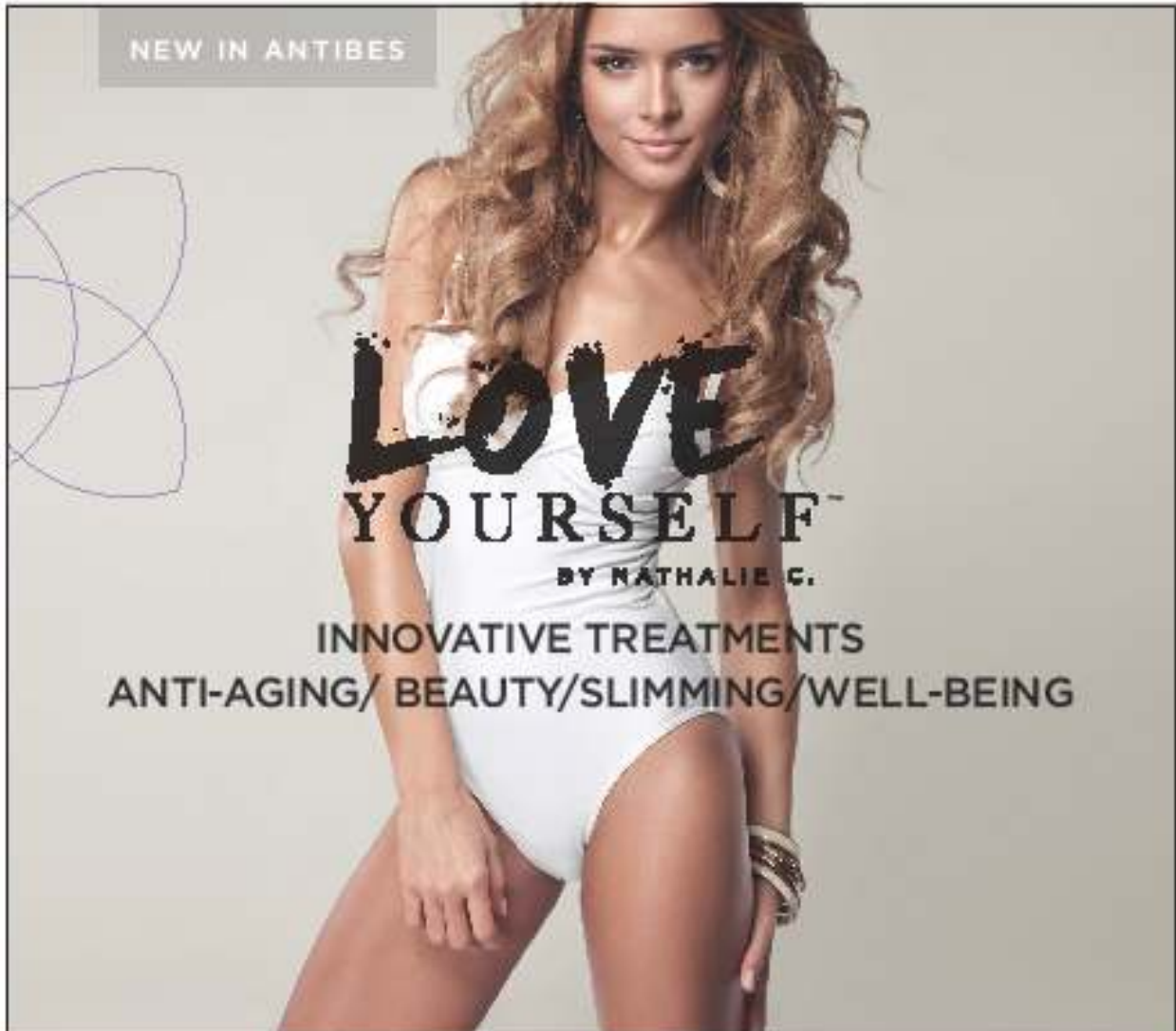
A woman is like an opened rose
It's beauty seen by all
Inside it's oh so small

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Of giving birth on this planet.

By Anastasia Sakach— Form 7b

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when you weep,

Makes you feel loved before you fall
asleep,

Straight into her warm, wide arms

That surrounds you like a cosy
blanket.

I love my mum,

Even as a baby, a tiny crumb

She loves you, she loves you,

And she always will do,

Without her you, she loves you,

And she always will do,

Without her you would be lost,

You can't replace her, at any cost

She is the only one you get,

Everyone loves her, I bet!

My mum is the best, and when I
look at her,

I feel it, in my chest,

She is in your head; she is in your
heart,

When you're near and far apart...

Tell me, do you love your mum?

Josh Johnson—Form 7b

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