

Headteacher's message



Can you believe we have reached the end of another academic year? It feels like just yesterday that we were returning from the last summer holiday, and now we find ourselves reflecting on a year defined by the pursuit of excellence in all that we do. The school has maintained a strong

sense of focus and determination, alongside providing a wide range of educational experiences. And our school motto, *Nemo sibi nascitur* ("No one is born unto themselves alone"), is most evident. It is reflected in the care our staff show for our students, and the collective support our families give to the school, ensuring our core values of Community, Aspiration, and Opportunity remain central to helping every individual grow and flourish.

Striving for Personal Excellence and A Fond Farewell

In our classrooms and examination halls, a culture of high aspiration remains at the absolute centre of what we do. This year marked a massive milestone for our Year 11 and Year 13 students as they completed their public examinations with such maturity. We have now said farewell to these incredible students, and seeing them all dressed up and celebrating at their Proms was truly a highlight. We are already looking forward to celebrating their achievements with them on Results Days in August and we look forward to welcoming a significant number of our Year 11s back into the Sixth Form in September. To all those moving on, please remember "Once a Parmiterian, always a Parmiterian". We hope that many of our departing Year 13s and Year 11s will return to support the school in the future and join the Old Parmiterians' Society to keep their connection to us alive.

Validating Our Supportive Ethos

Our commitment to a supportive ethos was validated in the most extraordinary way this year. I am thrilled to remind our community that Parmiter's School was officially awarded the Emotional Mental Wellbeing in Schools Mark by Hertfordshire County Council. An absolutely phenomenal achievement, as we were the only school to secure a perfect overall score of 63/63 possible accreditations, achieving the highest possible 'Advanced' status across every single assessed category.

The assessors warmly praised our comprehensive, whole-school approach, noting that our deep pastoral care and continuous improvement give the Parmiter's family a deep, authentic sense of belonging. This historic milestone is a testament to our wonderful staff, students, and families working in unison.

Challenging Times

It is also in challenging times that the true character of the Parmiter's Family emerges. This year we have supported each other through the tragic loss of a colleague, Cynthia Farrelly, and a student, Fatima Zeeshan. Both were highly regarded members of our community and both are sadly missed. Our thoughts remain with their families, and we continue to draw strength from our tight-knit community during these difficult moments.

Celebrating Our Wonderful Staff

As the summer break approaches, we are bidding farewell to some valued colleagues. Our heartfelt thanks and very best wishes go to Mrs O'Donnell, retiring after 16 years at Parmiter's, and Mrs Pettengell, leaving us after seeing our Intermediate Girl's Team secure 6th place in the National Track and Field Cup athletics, both will be sorely missed.

I would like to give a special mention to Mrs O'Donnell who has given so much to our school and students over many years. Mrs O'Donnell is retiring as Head of Languages after an incredible 16 years at the school. Mrs O'Donnell's dedication and commitment over an extended period of time have been transformational and we are incredibly grateful for her immense contributions which saw her awarded a Lifetime Achievement Award in Education by Pearson which we presented in assembly today and wish her well for her retirement.

I would also like to celebrate the contribution of Mrs Anthony who received a Teaching Assistant of the year award from Pearson in assembly today too. These awards from Pearson come from nominations written by members of our community to thank them for their work and start with sending a 'Thank a Teacher' card which you can do [here](#).

We look forward to welcoming back Miss Udomjit-Taylor who, previously a Teaching Assistant at the school, will be rejoining us as an English Teacher.

We have some other staff who have recently started new roles too: Mr Carter will become Assistant Headteacher for Achievement; Mr Clark will become Assistant Headteacher for Personal Development and Wellbeing; Miss Hall will become Assistant Headteacher for Attendance, Behaviour and Safeguarding; Mr Card will become Head of Key Stage 4; Miss Birley will become Head of Year 11; Mr Perkins will become Head of Languages; Mr Hornby will become Head of German, Miss Hirst will take on KS3 Lead in English (Maternity cover) and Mrs Acreman will join us permanently as a Teacher of Design and Technology. We are pleased to welcome back Miss Taylor, Head of Spanish, from maternity leave.

Sporting Triumphs and Creative Showcases

Our sense of togetherness and shared pride has been felt across a wonderful array of events. Our Sports Awards Evenings were a true testament to the hard work and dedication of our athletes, where new records were set, and we collected more trophies, cups, and medals than ever before. A special shout-out to Lee House, who clinched the Sharples Cup at Sports Day ending Carter's dominant run over the last three years!

Our musical and creative communities gave us so much to celebrate. The emotional Leavers' Concert stood out as a beautiful occasion, recognising the huge contribution of our Year 13s. Our Summer Open Day was a vibrant affair, showcasing exceptional work across Art, Photography, Graphics, Product Design, Textiles, and Food. The plaza was buzzing with the sounds of our talented musicians and dancers, and our Key Stage 3 students shone in their performance of 'The Vague Aquatic Incident'.

Our partnership with parents and carers continues to thrive, highlighted by brilliant community fundraising events like the Parents' and Carers' Association's (PCA) Quiz Night. Our ties to the wider community were also strengthened at the Old Parmiterians' Annual Dinner.

Adventures, Achievements, and Unforgettable Trips

We pride ourselves on providing a wealth of diverse experiences that allow our students to expand their minds. This year has been exceptional for travel and experiential learning. Our students have explored far and wide:

- Year 7: Immersed themselves in French culture in Normandy.
- Year 8: Enjoyed fantastic, immersive Warner Bros. trips.

- Year 9: Delved into history with a poignant visit to the World War One battlefields in Belgium.
- Year 10: Visited the historic streets of Berlin (Historians), the stunning landscapes of Sorrento (Geographers), and completed invaluable Work Experience placements.
- Drama, Music & Art: Benefited from an enriching Stratford-upon-Avon residential, wowing crowds in Belgium with our Touring Band and an inspiring trip to Paris for Year 12 Artists.
- Community Project work in Tanzania!

Huge congratulations are also in order for our students who successfully completed their Bronze, Silver, and Gold Duke of Edinburgh expeditions. A special commendation goes to the Sixth Form Parmiterians who were invited to Buckingham Palace to receive their Gold Awards

Celebrating Junior Achievements

Our final formal event of the year was the Junior Speech Night, celebrating the achievements of our Years 7, 8, and 9 students. We were honoured to have Old Parmiterian, Dan Carey, as our speaker and are grateful to them for sharing their thought provoking journey, overcoming adversity to present using technology on the evening while illness prevented them from attending in person. This wonderful occasion was complimented by a superb musical performance by Kali D'Ambra of 'On My Own' from Les Misérables.

As the academic year draws to a close, I wish you all a fantastic summer. You have all worked incredibly hard, and I urge you to enjoy a well-deserved break. I look forward to welcoming all staff and students back to school in September!

Nemo Sibi Nascitur!



Mr A Smith
Headteacher

Autumn Term 2026

Tues 1 and Weds 2 September: INSET Day
(school closed to students)

Thurs 3 September: Year 7 and 12 Induction Day
Year 11 Study Skills Day

Fri 4 September: Lessons begin for all year groups

Weds 21 October: First Half Ends, 3.20pm



Parents' and Carers' Association

What A Year We've Had!

As another fantastic school year comes to an end, we wanted to take a moment to look back at what we have achieved together.

Not just the PCA Committee. Not just the volunteers. Every parent, carer, student, staff member, and supporter who bought a raffle ticket, attended an event, donated a prize, volunteered for an hour, or simply came along to support the school.

Together we've shown what an amazing community Parmiter's really is. Every pound raised has gone straight back into making our children's school even better.

And this year... we achieved more than ever before.

One of the things we are proudest of this year isn't an event. It's what your support has delivered.

The New Snack Shack

Thanks to PCA fundraising, the school now has a brand new Snack Shack. This has already made a noticeable difference by:

- ◆ Reducing lunchtime queues
- ◆ Providing another food outlet
- ◆ Creating a better lunchtime experience for everyone

Sometimes fundraising isn't about buying something exciting. Sometimes it's about making everyday school life better for over a thousand students. This is one of those projects.



What about Education you ask!

Education never stands still... and neither should the classrooms our children learn in. Thanks to your incredible support, the PCA has also funded multiple **new Smart Screens across the school.**

These interactive displays will help teachers deliver more engaging lessons while ensuring Parmiter's classrooms continue to benefit from modern technology that supports learning for years to come. Your fundraising is helping today's students and our future generations.

This year has been full of memorable events. From welcoming new Year 7 families, to supporting school celebrations, to bringing hundreds of people together simply to enjoy being part of the Parmiter's community.

Highlights Included:



Year 7 Cheese & Wine Evening
Open Evening
The Christmas Gift Fair



Family Quiz Night
Headteacher's Evening
Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols

Transition Tea Party
Senior Sports Awards



Every event was only possible because volunteers gave their time. And for that... **Thank you!**

Now... we're already in the planning stages to make this year's **Christmas Gift Fair 2026** even bigger. We could use your help. We are looking for parents and carers who would be willing to have a Mulberries Estate Agent board with details of the fair, displayed outside their home in the run-up to the fair. For every board that is put up, £10 will be donated to the PCA.

Sign up here: <https://mailbook.app/parmiterspca/add?key=flvv2fkq&h=818>

As the PCA we support the school wherever we're needed. Whether that's:

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| ◆ Providing refreshments | Running uniform sales | Welcoming new families |
| ◆ Supporting school events | Investing in facilities | Bringing parents together |
| ◆ Creating opportunities for students | | |

...or simply helping build the incredible community that makes Parmiter's such a special place.

Our plans are already underway for more

Quiz Nights

Uniform Sales

School Events

New fundraising opportunities

...and we'd love more people to join us.

The biggest challenge facing the PCA isn't ideas. It isn't fundraising. It isn't organising events. It's finding enough volunteers. Many of our committee members work full-time. Yet together we've delivered one of the most successful years the PCA has ever had. We are also actively looking for new committee members to help shape the future of the PCA. You don't need previous experience, just enthusiasm, a willingness to help, and a desire to make a difference for our children. Fresh ideas. Fresh energy. Fresh faces. That's what keeps the PCA growing.

Sign up here, Email: pa@parmiters.herts.sch.uk

Finally... thank you. to every volunteer. Every committee member. Every parent and carer. Every member of staff. Every person who donated & attended our events. Everything we've achieved this year has happened because our community chose to support one another.

We cannot wait to see what we achieve together going forward for our children and the Parmiters community. Have a wonderful summer. We'll see you in September.

Warmest wishes,

Greg Longmore (Chair) with Tina Canning (Vice-Chair) & Your Parmiter's PCA Team

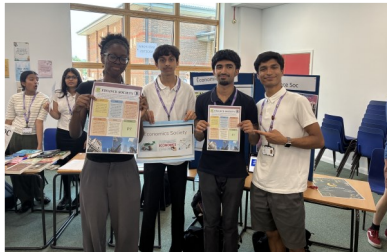


Futures Week

For a whole week starting the 29th of June, Yr 12 had the opportunity to take part in Futures Week! From Monday to Wednesday, students were able to find work experience placements, attend academic events, take part in super-curricular activities, and other opportunities, gaining valuable expertise and skills that will be very useful in the working world and in our upcoming university applications which will be submitted in the Autumn term.

Thursday and Friday saw many external speakers from universities and organisations across the country come to Parmiter's to deliver essential talks ranging from acing interviews and using LinkedIn, to applying to university and managing student finance. Visitors came from institutions such as the Universities of Sheffield, Nottingham and Falmouth, as well as alumni working as engineers and recruiters. Overall the week helped provide Yr12 students with a valuable insight into whatever our future pathways may be...

Arran Sihota and Erno Thorp



Sixth Form Freshers' Fair

The Freshers' Fair is an inclusive and exciting celebration of the unique interests of students at Parmiter's School, presented by our Sixth Form students. A showcase of over 20 co-curricular hobbies, and the opportunities to develop both new and existing skills, while also having the capacity to share our passions with others.

From Dissection Society to Sleep Society, there really is something for everyone as well as the opportunity to start your own!

Here is a short statement from a dedicated society leader:

"It was amazing to see the excitement and enjoyment of the prospective Year 12s,

visiting the varying society stalls and asking thoughtful and insightful questions. I am happy to know that we gave students the feeling we were lucky to have last year."

Katie Benham and Kishan Aheer



Sixth Form Wear a Hat Day Fundraising

We have had another fantastic year supporting charities at National and Local level. This work provides many opportunities for students across the whole school to lead and participate in hosting and running events. The last fundraising event of the year, Sixth Form Wear a Hat Day, has become an annual tradition. At the time of writing we have raised over £375 which will be split between the Keech Hospice and Mencap. There were some unusual and quirky hats as well as some very fun and colourful ones. Students enjoyed the bake and cookie sales and within the sixth form centre, glitter and henna tattoos.

In addition to these two charities Parmiter's has also supported Stargardt's Connected, hyh (hertsyounghomeless), GOSH (Great Ormond Street Hospital), Charlie's Gift and the KDM Foundations as well as Better Lives through True Adventure fundraising this school year. This is amazing ~ thank you to all who got involved!



Opportunity



80 Year 9 students went on the **Belgium Battlefields Trip** in July to look at key monuments, museums and places of remembrance for World War One. The students were incredibly mature in taking in the history of the sites and reflecting on the huge sacrifices many soldiers made.



Each student was given a name sake to find in the cemeteries and memorials and it helped bring a personal connection to the war and to those who lost their lives. We were incredibly proud of Max Weightman and Pratyusha Mukherjee who represented the school and laid a wreath at the Last Post Ceremony at the Menin Gate to remember those who had died, including some old Parmitarians as well as relatives of students. It was an incredible and moving trip.

Music Tour 2026

A week after Year 9 returned from Belgium, a group of 45 Parmiter's Musicians set off in their footsteps on a tour that would see them perform 4 concerts in 3 days.

The group, which comprised students from Years 8 to 13, worked really hard, shifting instruments, music stands, chairs and equipment in the hot sun to ensure that each concert was brilliantly executed. Saturday saw the first concert performed in the garden of [Talbot House](#) in Poperinge; a beautiful place which had been created during the Great War as an 'Everyman Club' for British soldiers of all ranks to rest and recuperate. A short drive away was the second venue of the day; the Onze-Lieve Vrouwekeek church in De Panne. The church soon filled with people as the sound permeated into the bustling High Street. The music was so impressive that a standing ovation demanded an encore at the end of the concert!

Sunday's venue was the market Square in Ypres. The shade of the vaulted porch of the Ypres Museum provided a perfect performance spot and passers-by enjoyed another slick performance as they went about their Sunday; stopping to listen or enjoy the accompaniment to their morning café coffee.

The tour finale was performed in a grand bandstand in Ostend's town square. The music was as impressive as ever, despite the demands of the previous few days, and the entire group, students and staff alike, set off for home happy and proud that they had made the most of their time and showcased Parmiter's Music brilliantly overseas.



Normandy

Day one, the journey

On the 29 June, 140 students and 18 members of staff embarked on a five-day adventure to Normandy, France. Everyone had to be at school by the ungodly hour of 4:30AM (This is a whole hour later than last year though!) so that we wouldn't miss the ferry. We had found out whether we would be on coach 1 or coach 2 the day before so there wasn't too much chaos, however some people had brought bags the size of a small European country. After a slightly delayed start we eventually began the 2.5 hour drive to the port of Dover, though it felt much longer due to people constantly screaming 'WE'RE NEARLY THERE!' every time they saw the sea or just at random intervals for entertainment. Somehow we finally made it to the port of Dover and my word, weren't the white cliffs of Dover absolutely beautiful?! As luck would have it, there were only two coaches in front of us to get through passport control, so we sped through that, boarded the ferry and crossed the beautiful turquoise sea; we were only on the ferry for 1.5 hours. Sadly, after the ferry followed a five hour coach drive to our accommodation. We headed straight to the Ermitage Sainte Therese (our accommodation). we found out who we were sharing rooms with, had dinner and went to bed.

Tuesday

We were woken up at 7am and had half an hour to get ready. We then got on the coach for a two hour drive to Mont Saint Michel. Personally, I think Mont Saint Michel was the highlight of the trip. When we arrived we got two hours inside Mont Saint Michel to do, well, whatever we wanted. We then headed back to the Ermitage, had dinner (chicken nuggets, yum) and off to bed again.

Wednesday

As usual we were woken up at 7am, had breakfast and headed onto the coach, this time it was to Arromanches, a historical seaside resort famous for being the sight of Mulberry Harbour. When we arrived we had a short look and photo stop near the beach and then we headed into the D-day museum which was really interesting and explained D-Day really well. Shortly after that we got to order our own ice cream in French! We then visited Falaise (William the Conqueror's castle) and then yet again we headed back to the Ermitage, had dinner and went to bed.

Thursday

After our usual morning routine, we stepped onto the coach to go to the French school! We were finally going to meet our French penpals! (or so we thought . . .) Unfortunately, when we arrived a teacher said that some of our penpals weren't in school today so we would have to mix and match the pairs. Happily, my new penpal was really nice and I really enjoyed the day. After their school bell rang for the end of the day a teacher told us that today was their last day of school which made a few people very jealous. Luckily since we had a restaurant dinner and a bowling evening planned ahead of us the disappointment didn't last long. Bowling was really fun and sped past, as did the restaurant dinner which was delicious.

Friday

Today we were woken up 15 minutes earlier (6:45am) so we had some extra time to finish packing. After that was finished the teachers came and inspected our rooms to make sure we didn't leave anything. After breakfast that day we set off on the five hour coach ride again; most of the journey was pretty much the same except for when we reached passport control. The queue was absolutely huge, and we waited on an unmoving coach for about 2.5 hours. As a result of this really long queue we almost missed the ferry! Overall I really enjoyed Normandy and I would go through the whole experience again if I got the chance to.



Opportunity

The English Department's **Poetry by Heart** house competition proved to be another success this year! We also entered 6 performances into the national competition, with Billy Coffey and Magdalena Plagemann's performance of 'Sea Fever' making it to the Finals and performing at the Globe Theatre! A huge well done to them!

The judges from the national competition have sent certificates for the following students:

- ◆ Yuna Hackett - Commended
- ◆ Anaaya Dua - Commended
- ◆ Rachel Fenn - Commended

- ◆ Rhea Paaru - Highly Commended
- ◆ Lucy Fillipini - Highly Commended

Billy Coffey and Magdalena Plagemann
- **Finalists!**

Congratulations to all students who took part in the Poetry by Heart this year - whether that was at school level or National level - you should be really proud!

We look forward to seeing what next year brings.



More poetry ~

Having been selected as one of ten secondary finalists for the role of Young Poet Laureate South East, Andrea Anton in 9FDO attended the competition finals at the London offices of the publishers Faber and Faber back in May.

She performed her poem brilliantly!

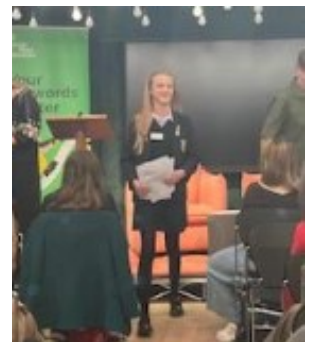
A recording of Andrea's poem was then forwarded to the competition judging panel that included National Poet Laureate, Simon Armitage.

The judging panel gave the following feedback on Andrea's poem and performance:

'The judges loved Andrea's poem, commenting it was both funny and sassy. They were equally impressed by her great use of sound and volume control during her performance and the memorable, personal quality of her delivery.'

'They thought that Andrea's poem had the power to speak for her generation with lines like 'I'm too young to be fighting your battle', and they also enjoyed the twist at the end. Keep writing and well done!'

In recognition of her achievement, Andrea's poem was published alongside a specially commissioned Simon Armitage poem, in the 2026 Young Poet Laureate Anthology.



Creativity in the Community



Fragments of a Rainbow
Beren, Age 11

Royal Academy of Art

Congratulations to Beren Sen, 7ATH, whose artwork, *Fragments of a Rainbow*, (pictured left) has been selected for the Royal Academy of Arts Young Artists' Summer Show 2026.

Her work was chosen from thousands of entries and will be on show as part of the exhibition.

The exhibition takes place from 14 July to 30 August 2026 at the Royal Academy of Arts, Burlington House, London.



Embrace Your Weird Competition ~ A Celebration of Creativity

This was run by the **University for the Creative Arts**, a globally renowned art university, famous for launching the careers of some of the world's best designers and animators. The competition challenged students



all over the UK to unleash their imagination and show what 'weird' means to them. There were entries from fashion, film, music, and art. To be shortlisted against entries from the entire country is a massive achievement. Our winner stood out for truly embracing their unique creative voice.

Well done to **Luna Barbaty 8KPO**

The Ink & Ember Gala

Our Odyssey Quest Ink & Ember Gala was a magical celebration of reading the classics!

To earn their coveted "Reading Legend" status, 16 students conquered an epic literary journey by reading a book from each of our four realms:

- ◆ Discovery
- ◆ Society
- ◆ Epics
- ◆ Shadows

At the gala, our legends celebrated by learning to melt and press custom wax seals onto their achievement certificates. They also mastered traditional dip pens, using calligraphy to permanently inscribe their signatures into the prestigious Reading Legends Book of Fame.

Congratulations to our incredible readers for leaving their mark!



Houses

What a fantastic year it has been in the world of Parmiter's Houses! As always, it has been an absolute pleasure to see so many students and staff involved with House competitions, events and challenges.

Attenborough Quiz & Wildlife Competition

To celebrate David Attenborough's 100th birthday, Sixth Form House Captain, Arran, designed a quiz and created a wildlife photography competition for the whole school to participate in. The quiz proved to be very popular, with Woolleyans having the highest number of responses and securing 1st place. In 2nd place was Mayhew, in 3rd place was Lee, in 4th place was Carter, in 5th place was Beven and in 6th place was Renvoize. The wildlife photography competition attracted a lot of budding photographers, resulting in Mr Smith having a tricky decision on his hands to choose the top 6 that were to be sent to David himself! Following a student vote, the winners were as follows: 1st place, Ollie O of Beven, in 2nd place was Emre A of Woolley, in 3rd place was Elliot D of Carter, in 4th place was Ashleana P of Woolley, in 5th place was Valentino W of Mayhew and in 6th place was Alice H of Woolley. Well done all!



Staff House Rounders

A brilliant turnout from staff members - we had a lot of fun, and we only got a little bit competitive! It was Renvoize House who took 1st place, followed by Carter and Woolley in joint 2nd place, Beven and Mayhew were in joint 3rd and Lee in 4th.



Sports Day

Another year, another fabulous Sports Day! An excellent effort from all who participated and supported. The joining winning Houses in Year 7 were Lee and Woolley, in Year 8 Woolley took the lead, Year 9 saw Carter as the overall winner and in Year 10 it was Mayhew who came out on top. It was very close but it was Lee who lifted the cup - well done, Lee House!

House Darts

Back by popular demand, House Darts proved extremely popular amongst staff and students alike. Following some nail-biting matches, and a very tense final against Postman Poultis (Mr Poulton, Carter), it was The Shark Clark (Mr T Clark) of Beven who won top spot. Well done to all who took part. Roll on the 2027 tournament!

House KS3 Table Tennis Tournament

Across three lunchtimes during Active Lives Week, KS3 students took part in a table tennis tournament. 32 exciting matches later and our winner was Year 9 student, Vihaan G, of Beven House. In 2nd place was Arush J of Renvoize, in 3rd place was Madhav P of Renvoize and in 4th place was Shingo Y, of Woolley House.

Active Lives Week Quiz

On the final day of Active Lives Week, students and staff were invited to complete a House Sports Quiz, created by Sixth Form House Captains. An incredible 564 responses were recorded, 110 of which were from one single House - well done to Woolley, who had the most responses! In 2nd place, with 101 responses, was Lee. In 3rd place, with 98 responses, was Mayhew. In 4th place, with 87 responses, was Beven. In 5th place, with 85 responses, was Carter. In 6th place, with 82 responses, was Renvoize.

Student House Cricket

Again another fantastic effort from our students throughout this competition! Well done to all who took part. Our thanks to the PE department for hosting this event. In 1st place was Renvoize, in 2nd place was Beven, Woolley House took 3rd place, Mayhew followed in 4th, Lee was 5th and in 6th place was Carter.

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Continued



The players of the tournament were: Year 7's Ana of Lee and Daisy of Woolley, Year 8's Negin of Mayhew and Esmee of Renvoize, Year 9's Darcy G of Beven and Isabel T of Lee and Year 10's Many of Lee and Lyra of Mayhew. The captain of the tournament was Nell of Woolley. The catch of the tournament went to Olivia P of Renvoize.



Year 12 Sports Day

New to 2026, the Year 12's took part in our first Sixth Form Sports Day, which consisted of students taking part in Rounders, Boccia and Corn Hole. The winners of Rounders was Mayhew - well done, Mayhew! In 2nd place was Beven, in 3rd place was Carter, in 4th place was Lee, in 5th place was Renvoize and in 6th place was Woolley. The winner of Boccia was Lee - well done, Lee! In 2nd place was Renvoize, in 3rd place was Carter, in 4th place was Beven, in 5th place was Woolley and in 6th place was Mayhew. The winner of Corn Hole was Woolley - well done, Woolley! In 2nd place was Renvoize, in 3rd place was Beven, in 4th place was Carter, in 5th place was Mayhew and in 6th place was Lee. This put Beven, Lee and Renvoize in overall joint 1st place and Carter, Mayhew and Woolley in overall joint 2nd place. Looking forward to making next year even bigger!

House STEM Quiz

During the final week of term, to coincide with the STEM Fair, students were given the opportunity to take part in a STEM quiz, created by the Renvoize Sixth Form House Captain, Sienna. The House with the most participants was Beven and the person with the highest score was Year 7 student Neeve of Renvoize.

World Cup Predictor & World Cup Fantasy Football

The results of these competitions will be announced after the summer break.

Zero Heroes

The House with the highest number of 'zero heroes' this year was Mayhew.

Quiz of the Week

The House with the most weekly wins this year was Woolley. Fun fact: Woolley dominated with 56% of the wins!

Current Standings

We are delighted to announce the final standings are as follows... *drum roll, please*

BEVEN	6324
CARTER	5014
LEE	5786
MAYHEW	6057
RENVOIZE	5469
WOOLLEY	6981

Congratulations to **Woolley** who are this years' House winners!

We would like to thank you for all of your efforts and we look forward to what the new academic year will bring in the world of Parmiter's Houses.

Wishing you all a wonderful summer break,
Ms O'Malley & Mr Perkins

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Athletics

The athletics season has been particularly memorable. At the Watford District Championships, the Year 8 boys and girls both won their age-group titles, with the girls also claiming the overall trophy. Fourteen students won individual gold medals across track and field events.



In the Hertfordshire County League, all four school teams qualified for the county finals, with the Inter Girls (Years 9 & 10) crowned County Champions after an unbeaten season. The Junior Boys also impressed, finishing runners-up by just four points.

The Inter Girls made history in the English Schools Track & Field Cup, qualifying for the National Final for the first time. Competing against the country's best schools, they finished an outstanding 6th in England, with victories on the day for Gabi Olusanya-Artiles and Emily Todd.

At the Hertfordshire Schools Championships, students won three gold medals, along with several silver and bronze medals, highlighting the depth of talent within the squad.

The season concluded at the English Schools Athletics Championships, where a record six athletes represented the school – the most of any Hertfordshire school. Highlights included Ramsey Gill winning silver in the pole vault to earn his first England vest, while Gabi Olusanya-Artiles finished 4th in the 300m, Emily Todd was 5th in the 80m hurdles with a personal best, and Peter Bansaghi placed 6th in the high jump. Congratulations to all our athletes and staff on a truly exceptional season that continues to raise the profile of school sport.

Cricket

It has been a memorable end to the cricket season, with both the Year 8 and Year 9 boys' teams crowned Hertfordshire County Plate Champions following outstanding performances in their respective finals.

The Year 8 side claimed their first trophy together with a dominant 73-run victory over Edge Grove. Batting first in challenging hot conditions, the team posted an impressive 121 thanks to composed innings from Azaan Rizvi and Sarthak Tandon. The bowlers then took control, reducing the opposition to eight wickets down inside five overs before dismissing them to seal a comprehensive County title.

The Year 9 team successfully defended the County Plate they won last season with an equally impressive display against Richard Hale School. After posting 104, helped by an excellent 57 from Riyan Baktha, the bowlers rose to the occasion. Captain Nirdosh Patel set the tone with four wickets, including a hat-trick in the opening over, as Richard Hale were bowled out for just 53 to secure back-to-back county titles.

Congratulations to both squads on an outstanding season and a fantastic achievement in bringing home two County trophies.



Junior Sports Awards Evening

The school community came together for a fantastic Junior Sports Awards Evening, celebrating the achievements of students in Years 7, 8 and 9 following another exceptional year of school sport.

The evening recognised students for their commitment, determination and performances across a wide range of sports, with awards presented to those who have represented the school with distinction both individually and as part of our many successful teams. From County champions and National finalists to students who have shown outstanding dedication and teamwork, the evening highlighted the incredible depth of sporting talent throughout the school.

It was a wonderful opportunity to reflect on a year filled with memorable successes and to celebrate the hard work of all our young athletes, whose enthusiasm and commitment continue to drive our sporting programme forward. Congratulations to every award winner and to all students who represented the school this year – your efforts have made this one of our most successful sporting years to date.

Sustainability at Parmiter's

As we reach the end of another busy academic year, I want to take a moment to reflect on Parmiter's ongoing commitment to sustainability. As a school community, we have a duty not only to academic excellence but also to environmental stewardship. Over the last few years, we've made significant strides in reducing our carbon footprint, optimising our energy consumption, and enhancing our local biodiversity.

Here's a snapshot of some of our key green achievements over the last few years:

Renewable Energy

We have taken massive steps toward energy independence and decarbonisation:

Solar Power: We now have 199kW of solar generating capacity installed across our school roofs, allowing us to generate clean, green electricity right here on site.

Battery Storage: To ensure we make the absolute most of the sunshine we capture, we've installed a 215kWh battery storage system. This allows us to store our excess solar energy rather than sending it back to the grid.

100% Renewable Electricity: For any electricity we do need to import from the grid, we are proud that 100% of our purchased electricity is sourced from fully certified renewable supplies.

Smart Resource Management

Live Utility Monitoring: We have implemented advanced, live monitoring systems for our water, electricity, and gas usage. This data allows us to identify energy spikes, spot water leaks immediately, and continuously optimise our daily consumption.

Biodiversity

Planting for the Future: Our playing fields are looking greener than ever (at least they were before the heatwave!). We recently planted several new oak trees across our grounds. These will not only boost local biodiversity and provide habitats for local wildlife but will also stand as a lasting legacy for generations of Parmiterians to come.

Sustainable Transport

Getting to and from school sustainably remains a major priority for us:

School Buses: We are delighted that over a third of our student body now uses the school bus network, significantly reducing the number of individual car journeys on local roads each morning and afternoon.

Upgraded Cycling Facilities: To support and encourage those who choose to cycle, we have fully renovated our school bike sheds, providing a safer, dry, and more secure space for students and staff to store their bicycles.

Electric Vehicle Charging: We have installed four electric vehicle charging points on site, available at discounted rates to encourage and support the transition to electric vehicles among our staff and visitors.

Looking Ahead

As we look to the future, we will continue to proactively respond to the challenges of climate change in all of our long-term strategic planning and capital investments. We are also dedicated to further integrating environmental responsibility and climate education directly into our curriculum, ensuring our students are fully equipped with the knowledge and skills to lead a sustainable future.

Mr J Whitehouse

Please be aware of significant transport and road safety improvements being undertaken on High Elms Lane by Three Rivers District Council. These works are scheduled to take place between 20 July and 30 August 2026.

Please be aware that these changes are part of a Council-led initiative and have been driven by Three Rivers District Council, not Parmiter's School.

Key changes include:

Amended parking orientation: Parking on High Elms Lane along the border with our school fields will be adjusted so that all cars must be parallel with the road, as opposed to the current layout which allows perpendicular parking.

Turning circle and pathways: Parking will no longer be available on the pathway of the turning circle and for approximately 40 metres either side of the turning circle

Physical barriers: To prevent illegal parking and protect the verges, physical boulders will be installed at 2.5-metre intervals along the roadside.

Pedestrian improvements: To improve road safety and access, the pathway along High Elms Lane will be widened to 3 metres to provide a safer shared space for pedestrians and cyclists.

We make a sincere plea to parents not to arrive early for afternoon pick-up. Because the layout is being changed to parallel parking, overall parking capacity on the road will be reduced and this will inevitably make traffic worse.

All of these works are aimed at improving road safety for our students and the wider community.

You can view the detailed plans [here](#)



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