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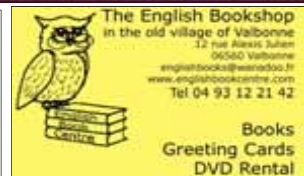
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Deadline:
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5th Sept 2009 - 6pm-2am -
€10 per hour
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Headmaster's Notes

Dear Parents and Students,

Bonne Vacances!

After a hectic, final week of term, we have once again arrived at the end of the school year and said farewell and good luck to our 33 graduating students. In addition to these students and their families, we are always sad to say goodbye to other members of our community who are leaving the School and the area. We hope they will not forget us and keep us up to date with their news in the future.

The Boyfriend



This is also a time when we say farewell to a few members of staff: Johanna Dowle has been with the Secondary Maths Department for one year and leaves us to enlarge her family. Donna Mansour has been replacing Jenny Speet on maternity leave for one year as the Early Year's classroom assistant. Linda Attwell, who has been our Primary Learning Support assistant for 5 years, will be moving back with her family to the UK. Birgit Legrand has taught German from Form 8 upwards for 5 years and finally Kay Kane, after 17 years as our Secondary ESL specialist, will be retiring this year. To Kay, a big thank you from us all. We trust you will enjoy a long and happy retirement. To the others above, thank you, too and all the best wherever you may be.

Primary Classes for 2009/2010

Next year, we have a slightly different arrangement for our classes in Key Stage 2. There will be one Form 5, one Form 6 and a third group called Form 5/6, made up of children across the 9 and 10 year old age range. This "vertical" group, common in many schools, will be split into two small groups for Maths and Science with two teachers. Each group will therefore follow their normal curriculum. In English and Topic, they will have a specially designed programme. For the rest of their subjects, the arrangements are those currently operating – French, Music, PE etc.

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Classifieds	8	Early Years Nurse Marian
		Reception Mrs Alice Miller
		Form 1 Mrs Emma Warwick
		Form 2 Mrs Sue Filer

Form 4 Mrs Fiona Martin
 Form 5 Mrs Paula Byles
 Form 5/6 Mrs Tania Marcanik
 Form 6 Mrs Elaine Owen

Dr David Gifford will continue as Head of Primary and teach, amongst other things, in the Form 5/6 Maths and Science programme. The make up of the Form 5/6 class will be published at the beginning of term and decided by the group of teachers familiar with the children and their working habits.

Examination Results

We hope all the students who have sat external examinations have revised well and done their best. The results for all AS and A Levels will be out on Thursday 20th August (very late this year). The IGCSE results from CIE will also be available on the same date. For Edexcel GCSEs, you will have to wait a further week, until Thursday 27th August.

The Boyfriend

Congratulation to all those who were involved in Mougins School's first open air musical production of the Boyfriend. The live music, colourful costumes and scenery, plus excel-



lent performances made it a "spectacle" to remember. A special bravo to Nicki Elcome, the musical director, and Margot Renssen, the overall director of the show.

year's cultural outings!

On June 27th, the biggest social event of the year - the End of Year Summer Fete -



was organized. Many parents and students participated by helping at the stalls or offering food, donations and all kinds of support!! Everyone came, including friends and relatives!

Thanks to the parents and to the organisers of the event, it was a huge success.

A big thank you to Anne-Marie Mc Laren for her generosity, giving so much of her time and to Kaisa Torma, who can never be thanked enough for always being there to help us. Thanks also to Fanny Shultz, who organized all the International Food Stalls and Elisabeth Steckmest who handled all the game stalls!

Next September's events:

Thursday 17th September, 9am in the canteen: PTA meeting to discuss plans for the coming year.

Sunday 27th September, Plateau de Caus-sol : Faces to Names picnic for all parents and children. This will be an opportunity for existing families to help new ones integrate into the School and find friends.

Next Year 's PTA Committee members:

- President:** Lea Assi
- Vice presidents:** Ingrid Honan and Carol Muller
- Past president :** Nicole Schauer
- Secretary:** Sue Saunders
- Treasurer:** Peter Fraser
- Upper School Representative:** Michele Fraser
- Middle School Representative:** Michele Fraser
- Lower School Representative:** Elisabeth Steckmest

Finally I would like to say goodbye to two parents, whose children have been at school for more than 10 years and who have given so much to PTA.

Nicole Schauer, PTA President 2004-2007 and newsletter and website coordinator for many years, and Giorgiana Brignone, Culture Club founder/coordinator for many years.

Nicole will be going back to Munich and Giorgiana will be going back to Torino. We thank you so much and we give you all our love and wishes of happiness wherever you will be. You will surely be missed by all of us!

Sincerely,
 Lea Assi
 President Parent Teacher Association
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From the desk of Mr Pugat

Solution to the Snail Problem:

Well done to Georges Petrequin, Jo Licciardi and Edouard De Ribes who have surpassed everybody else in giving in a correct solution before the end of the first lesson after receiving the Newsletter. I wonder whose lesson it was? All three can come and collect their prize from Mr Pugat.

The key to answering this puzzle is to notice that the snail starts its journey during a day to go up (as it can't go further down than the bottom of the well!) and will reach the top during another day (as it can't slip down to the top!). Therefore the snail will need one day more than nights. From that, you can use trial and error until you get the right number of nights and days, or better, you can use Algebra as follows:

Let n be the number of nights.

The snail will travel $(3n+3)$ metres up and $(2n)$ metres down. We therefore need to solve the following equations:

$$3n+3-2n=20, \text{ that is}$$

$$n+3=20 \text{ or}$$

$$n=17$$

So the snail will need 17 nights and 18 days to get to the top.

Check:

$$3 \times 18 = 54 \text{ metres up}$$

$$2 \times 17 = 34 \text{ metres down}$$

So we have a net total of 20 metres going up as required.

PTA News

Dear parents,

Another school year is already over and everyone is looking forward to a well earned vacation!

Nevertheless our PTA year was an amazing one! Parents' participation was overwhelming, successful events and outings were regularly organized and meetings were well attended. A lot of enthusiasm and goodwill were shared by all and most importantly, we all felt that it wasn't just our kids, but we too were part of "the Mougins School Family".

This month's events:

This month we have had another charming cultural outing to Hanbury Gardens in Liguria. We learned about the exotic species that were planted there by Thomas Hanbury towards the end of the XIX century. The breathtaking view of the deep blue sea

and the vibrant green of the dense vegetations growing on the rocky hills, combined with the pastel colours of the houses, kept



us mesmerized all day long. Giorgiana and Leila took us to a nearby village restaurant, perched at the very top of a hill, where we had a very surprising gourmet experience at an incredibly reasonable price. Those who missed it can still join us on next

Jeux de Sophia (Sophia Games)

For the third consecutive year, Mougins School staff and senior students competed in a variety of sports in the Jeux de Sophia Antipolis. This competition involved 250 companies in the High Tech Park over a period of a month. Full details are to be found elsewhere in this newsletter, but here I would like to congratulate all who participated. Mougins School finished 14th out of 250 companies. What an incredible performance! Superb! Please take the time to read the results and find out the names of those who have placed us so high up the league table.

A Later Start Next Year

The end of this academic year is slightly later than usual. Consequently, the start of next year is also a little later than previous years. We will be welcoming new families to the School on **Monday 7th September at 14h30** and the start of term for all everyone else is on **Tuesday 8th September**.

On behalf of my colleagues, I would like to wish you all a great summer vacation. We look forward to seeing you all safe and sound on 8th September. To the families moving on to other pastures, we wish every happiness wherever they go.

Best wishes,
Brian G. Hickmore
Headmaster

From the Desk of Sue Dunnachie

On 9th June two members of Alcoholics Anonymous came in to School and gave a very informative talk to students in Form 9 as part of the PHSE programme. The story told by these two gentlemen, the older one being in his sixties and the younger one only thirty-two, was emotionally powerful and gave the students a real insight into the dangers of excess. This programme will continue next year.

You will, no doubt, be reading this Newsletter just before or after the Graduation and Farewell Ceremony which marks the end of our scholastic year. Thirty three of our students will have been suitably capped and gowned and, with diplomas in hand, will be moving on to the various celebrations which have been organized. It is, perhaps, the time for a moment of reflection on the

achievements of these young people. Certainly, they will have proved themselves academically in order to graduate but, when we look at them we also see confident, self assured young adults ready to affront the world. Their multi cultural environment in which they have studied will have enhanced their understanding of those who come from different backgrounds, made them more tolerant and able to deal with the diverse situations with which they will be confronted in their future life. Let us not succumb to the 'doom and gloom' messengers but let us put our faith in this generation of new leaders whose education will enable them to believe in themselves and in their future. We wish them success in all they undertake and the fulfillment of all their dreams.

Summer School 2009 Mougins School, Dates and Activities

Teacher	Dates	Activities	Ages
Nurse Marian, Alice Miller	6-10 July	Art, sport and fun week	3-7 years
Marc Pétrequin	6-10 July	Football	7-10 years
Caz Pétrequin	6-10 July	Art, crafts and sport	6-10 years
Catherine Wright	6-10 July	Science Club	10-14 years
Joanna Povall	6-10 July	English, Crafts and Games	7-11 years
Nigel Wright	6-10 July	Basketball	7-11 years
Caz and Marc Pétrequin	13-17 July	Art and Crafts	5-10 years
Joanna Povall	13-17 July	English, Crafts and Games	7-11 years
Nigel Wright	13-17 July	Basketball	7-11 years
Paula Byles and Steph Glyde	20-24 July	Gymnastics	7-13 years
Tania Marcanik	20-24 July	Ceramics	4-13 years
Joanna Povall	20-24 July	English, Crafts and Games	7-11 years

09h00 – 12h00 Monday – Friday, more information in the office

September 2009

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7 Welcome	8 School starts	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17 PTA Meeting	18 Deadline NL	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 Newsletter	26	27 Picnic
28	29	30				

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Jeux de Sophia - Results for Mougins School

	Position	Out Of
Badminton	Josephine McDonnell - Ladies Singles	1st 15
	Alexis Yaghil - Men's Singles	9th 42
	Josephine McDonnell/ Sue Filer - Ladies Doubles	1st 7
	Alexis Yaghil/Jon Hooker - Men's Doubles	5th 22
	Sur Filer/Jon Hooker - Mixed Doubles	3rd 22
	Josephine McDonnell/Alexis Yaghil - Mixed	9th 22

	Position	Out Of
Volleyball	Stephanie Glyde / Denis Pugat / Johnny Jones Jérôme Hébant / Alex & Mathieu van Gent Alice Borghesi / Taylor Johnson / Clara Amzallag	14th 26

	Position	Out Of	Mixed	Ladies
Orienteering	Natalya Osborn / Jérôme Hébant	5th	110	2nd
	Josephine McDonnell / Brian Hickmore	10th		3rd
	Karin O'Grady / Casper Lindberg	12th		4th
	Martine Hoffman / Edward Rinde	15th		6th
	Izzy Lloyd-Jones / Alexis Yaghil	19th		9th
	Marina Lescan / Vivian Zitman - Ladies			

	Position	Out Of
Ultimate Frisbee	Grace Mennem / Clara Amzallag / Sam Corn Alexis Yaghil / Taylor Johnson / Casimir Lindberg Alex van Gent	2nd 33
	Natalya Osborn / Karin O'Grady / Izzy Lloyd Jones Daniel Schauer / Mathieu van Gent Russell Lecomte / Jérôme Hébant	4th 33

Overall Results	Josephine McDonnell - Ladies	19th 729
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Natalya Osborn - Female Student	12th	496
Karin O'Grady - Female Student	17th	
Alexis Yaghil - Male Student	4th	
Casper Lindberg - Male Student	18th	
Alexandre van Gent - Male Student	20th	

Mougins School	14th	250
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