



# JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Thursday 21st July 2022

## JD'S PGL ADVENTURE



On Monday 11th July, Minster Junior School travelled to PGL Caythorpe for three days of adventurous activities. The children were excited, nervous and full of trepidation at times. Despite extremely hot temperatures, the children kept their cool and they were not only brilliant team members, encouraging each other through challenging activities, but also their behaviour was impeccable. We are very proud of what all the children achieved. We will shortly be sharing the photos with you all.

### WHAT THE CHILDREN SAID ABOUT PGL:

"I climbed right up to the 7th ladder; it was so cool!" *Berry Allsop-Jones*

"I loved the climbing; I felt like I was flying when I jumped down from the top of the wall!" *Autumn Johnson*

"My favourite thing was raft-building and we actually worked as a real team so I loved it!" *John Berkin-Evans*

"On the high ropes, I really liked the obstacles; I did the whole course with my eyes closed!" *Scarlett Almond*

"It was really fun to sail around the lake but the best way when we jumped in the lake and got soaked." *Ewan McIntosh*

My favourite activity was climbing because I got to face my fear" *Isabella Benedek*

### YEAR SIX SATS RESULTS

The Year 6 pupils worked extremely hard prior to the national tests and all their efforts have paid off. Overall, 81% of the children achieved the expected standard in Reading, Writing and Maths compared to 59% nationally. 100% of the children achieved the expected standard in Maths (71% nationally); 94% of children achieved the expected standard in Grammar(72% nationally); and 88% of children achieved the expected standard in Reading (74% nationally). On teacher assessment, 94% of the children met the expected standard in Writing compared to 69% nationally. We are very proud of their achievements and it gives them a solid foundation to build on as they move into the secondary phase of their education.



### JUNIOR SCHOOL CONCERT

Thank you to all those parents who attended the Junior School Concert on Friday 15th July. It was a real treat to see such accomplished performances and the children at Junior School demonstrated just what a talented bunch they are. I know many a tear was shed during the choir pieces. I know how hard the staff in the music department worked to ensure the children gave such a polished performance and I am sure you would join me in thanking them for all their effort and hard work.

### A few reminders from the teachers:

We would like to wish you all a safe, happy and relaxing summer break. It is important that the children continue to read and possibly practise their times tables to keep up these vital skills. This can be done for 5 minutes in the car or wherever you might find yourselves. We look forward to hearing about your summer exploits.

If your child has printed a T-shirt or bag with Mrs Britten, please iron these to set the paint before washing individually (for the first wash).

### NOTE FROM MR DRING:

I have had a wonderful and action-packed first term at Minster Junior School. The concert on Friday was a real highlight for me and I loved the abseiling and climbing at PGL. I have enjoyed getting to know the children, parents and staff, who have been very helpful, and I look forward to working with everyone in September.