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## **Next Week's Diary**

#### **MONDAY**

Yateley Manor Book Week Book Week Book Sale (see page 2)

#### **TUESDAY**

Book Week Book Sale Book Week Treasure Hunt Reception to Visit Bocketts

Farm

10.30am School Council Meeting6.00pm Music Recital for Exam

Candidates

#### WEDNESDAY

Book Week Book Sale

#### **THURSDAY**

World Book Day Charity
Dressing Up Day (see page 2)

5.00pm Year 3 Parents' Evening5.00pm Year 4 Parents' Evening

#### **FRIDAY**

10.30am Eco Team Meeting7.30pm FYMS Quiz Night

#### After School Clubs

After school clubs and coaches are running in the week after half term except:

**Friday:** Years 1 and 2 Chess Club, Open Chess (both due to the chess match)

#### Music Practice Club

Please note that next Tuesday's Music Practice Club will only be open to children who will be taking part in that evening's Music Recital.

## Nursery Finish Time

Please note that on the days of the Nursery Parents' Evenings, Monday 7th March and Wednesday 9th March the Nursery will close early and all children must be collected **by 5.00pm at the latest.** 

# More Scholarship News

We are delighted to announce our several more scholarships:

Sophie Boston Academic Reddam House
Sophie Boston Academic Holme Grange
Hope Horne Founding Girls Charterhouse
Wil Cantelo Sport Luckley House
Carys Marriage Drama Luckley House

Again, we are delighted to see success in different areas of the curriculum and for several different schools.

Many congratulations to these children on their hard work and success and to all their teachers.

#### LAMDA Exams

Before half term forty eight children from Year 3 upwards took LAMDA examinations. We have now received another fantastic set of results with forty children achieving distinctions (80 marks or more out of 100) and the remaining children all passing with merit (65 marks or more out of 100).

This is a truly phenomenal set of results which is testament to the hard work by all the children and Gail Brundle. Well done to them all. Certificates will be presented to the children as soon as they arrive from LAMDA.

# Yateley Manor Book Week

We are all looking forward to Book Week and excitment has been building in the school. The theme this year is "Voyages and Travel" and there will be many competitions and events focused around this.

All week long there will be a challenging literary competition called "Pilgrimage Through Pages"; for this, the children will have to gather together answers from daily clues and then decipher these for the final solution on Friday.

In addition, smaller daily competitions will be available for the children to do - all of these can be collected from the Library.

# All competition entry forms must be placed in the Book Week Competiton Box (to be found in the Library) by the end of lunch time on Friday 4th March.

Other events this week include a themed Treasure Hunt on Tuesday 1st March and, of course, our Dressing Up Day (see page 2) on Thursday 3rd March.

Usborne Books will be with us from Monday to Wednesday where children can peruse and then purchase books from a range of exciting and entertaining titles if they wish. (see page 2)

Please view the <u>Book Week Menu which can be found here</u>. Any queries, please contact Mrs Brundle.

We are very much looking forward to our exciting week - go on, explore the wonder of books!

## **FYMS Quiz Night**

Do not forget to book your table for next Friday evening's Quiz Night which starts at 7.30pm. See page 3 for more information.

# Headmaster's Commendations

English - The Globe Cake: **Anna Jacobs**English - Character Description:

Sylvie Jones, Nana Afful Acheampong

## **Pre-Prep Awards**

30 Star Certificate: Mridhun Gupta 20 Star Certificate: Annabel Barnes,

**Heidi Lippiatt** 

15 Star Certificate: Callum Maclean
Reception Smiles: Rose Bachtold,
Tom Bachtold, Finian Burke,
Henry Collier, Finnley Connor,
Sidney Craig-Styles, Thomas Green,
Jan Kleiber, Amelia Kynaston-Last,
Adelia Simoes Da Silva, George Teresko,
Hukam Toor

Stars of the Week

RAH: **Rose Bachtold** RSB: **Jacob Perry** 1JAV: **Henry Wilson** 1SLD: **Mia Porter** 

2GHC: **Finlay Shearer** 2LAH: **Evie Lee** 

#### **Usborne Book Sale**

A reminder that our annual Book Fair will take place between Monday 28th February and Wednesday 2nd March.

Vouchers worth £1 have been distributed and these may be used at participating bookshops or with Usborne Publishing at our Book Fair in Manor Court.

Manor Court will be accessible to parents to view books at drop off and pick up times up until 4.35pm. There is no need to sign in at Reception but we ask that parents do not go beyond Manor Court.

## **Dressing Up Day**

To celebrate World Book Day next
Thursday, 3rd March, children from Nursery
to Year 8 are invited to come into school
dressed in a literary-connected costume.
It would be wonderful if they could have
with them a copy of the book or story from
which their character has been selected.
Mrs Brundle will be scouring the school
for creative and inventive costumes and
will be awarding prizes from her swag bag!
Dressing up is open to all children but is
entirely optional.

In exchange we ask for a donation of £2. These donations will go to the Yateley Manor Charity of the Year which was rolled over from last year. First Days Children's Charity is a Berkshire based children's charity that helps families living in poverty. We ask that children should be **dressed appropriately for school**.

## House Points and Bonuses

	Prep Bonuses	Prep House Points	Prep Overall	Pre-Prep House Points
Fyson	3rd	1st	3rd	3rd
Kingsley	4th	4th	4th	4th
School	2nd	2nd	2nd	2nd
Stanley	1st	3rd	1st	1st

Prep Bonus Point Winner: Stanley
Prep House Point Winner: Fyson
Prep Overall Winner: Stanley

Pre-Prep House Point Winner: Stanley

# Absorbed by Light

Rob Upton's latest blog can be found on the School website. The following is a taster:

Three figures sit next to each other on a bench, displaying the typical characteristics

of smartphone users: their heads are bent, fingers typing and swiping, and their faces lit up by their phone screens. While their bodies are physically present, their minds are elsewhere. This sculpture, which appeared at the Festival of Light in Amsterdam in 2018, was entitled 'Absorbed by Light'. It is somewhat haunting in its presentation and symbolic of the world in which we now live.



To read the rest of this article click here.

To view other blog posts visit the Headmaster's Blog page of the school website.

#### "Blood Brothers" Review

Year 8 recently travelled to Wimbledon Theatre to watch Blood Brothers. Here is part of **George Jacobs'** write up of the trip for his Yateley Manor Award folder.

Blood Brothers is set in Liverpool, between the 1950s and the 1970s. The play is about two twin brothers who are split up at birth, Mrs Johnstone, is working class and has other children to look after. She cannot afford another two children, so she keeps Mickey but gives the Edward, the second twin to a wealthy woman Mrs Lyons. Mrs Johnstone explains the loss of one twin by saying he died at birth. Although they live very different lives, they are friends as they play together having met near where the poorer family lives.

The play portrays their different lifestyles. At one point Mickey goes to prison having been a lookout for his brother Sammy. Once released Mickey he became depressed and emotional. The brothers sadly die at the end, Edward gave Mickey a new job and house which, while sounding nice, annoyed Micky as it was charity he did not want, he felt society was not fair. He wanted to shoot Edward. Mrs Johnstone told them together that they are brothers, both are shocked and Mickey shoots Edward and then the police shoot the poor brother. This was a tragic and sad end to the story.

Throughout the play there was a Narrator who added commentary when the actors froze. He helped link the play together and reminded us about the curse on Micky and Edward and that if they knew they were brothers they would die. Maybe it was fate after all.

The actors of the brothers were really good as they played the roles of the brothers all the way from age 7 to 19. This meant they had two great actors for a great play. The play flew by and was sad and funny in places, but it was great overall.

#### **FYMS Corner**

FYMS have a busy calendar of events coming up so do make sure you're signed up to our <u>Facebook page</u> and are connected to your FYMS Year Reps via the year group WhatsApp. All tickets for our events are now only available online <u>at our website</u>. We now have full proposals for play equipment for the Prep children, which will be presented to the FYMS committee at our next meeting, Wednesday 9th March. Once we have the proposals signed off, we look forward to sharing these with you. Our fundraising target now is £15,000 and we hope to raise £6,000 by the end of this academic year.

**Thursday 3rd March: Costumes.** Our preloved costumes that were kindly donated by parents at our sustainability drive in January are live on our website. Photos have also been posted on <u>Facebook</u> for you to see. You can find them under uniform and merchandise.

**Friday 4th March – FYMS Quiz and Pizza Night.** Join us for an evening of fun and laughter as we battle it out for first place to win the FYMS Quiz trophy and Prosecco! Don't worry for those at the bottom of the leader board, the wooden spoons are back too as a commiseration prize. Please note this event is for adults only and is open to all our parents, teachers, and friends. <u>Tables are limited so don't delay!</u>

**Friday 18th March – Prep Discos.** Years 3 and 4, 5 and 6 can dance the night away and celebrate the end of the Spring term. We have a few volunteers for the Year 3 and 4 disco, but not for 5 and 6. Without volunteers we are unable to hold these events so please sign up online if you're able to donate some of your time. <u>All tickets are available to buy online</u>.

**Friday 18th March – Year 7 & 8 Escape Rooms.** After discussions with the children, FYMS are thrilled to offer an alternative end of year celebration for our older children. An email went out to all Year 7 and 8 parents on Monday 21st February so please do check your emails. Full details are also available on the website and tickets are now live. Deadline to buy escape room tickets is Friday 4th March. Parents who can volunteer for the evening should email <a href="mailto:fyms@mail.com">fyms@mail.com</a> and Liz will come back to you.

**Wednesday 23rd March – Pre-Prep Easter Egg Hunt.** The Easter Bunny is back with some sweet treats for the Pre-Prep children. We hope they have lots of fun!

**Wednesday 23rd March – Easter Wreath Making Evening.** FYMS are thrilled that one of our talented Nursery mums has offered to host our first ever Easter Wreath Making Event. Lucy is a freelance floral designer and event stylist and will guide you through how to make a beautiful Easter / Spring wreath for your front door. <u>Tickets are live on the website</u> and this evening is limited to 30 people.

**Saturday 21st May – FYMS May Fair.** After a slight hiatus the FYMS May Fair is back! As we have done in previous years, we will be asking each year group to run their own stall at the fair. More details will be shared shortly but get your thinking caps on as to what you could do to help raise funds for the new Prep play equipment.

**Save the date** for the FYMS Barn Dance, which returns on Saturday 12th November and the FYMS Colour Run and Family Fun Afternoon on Saturday 25th June.

As always, feel free to get in touch via Facebook or by email at fyms@mail.com.

## Congratulations to ...

#### William and Hannah Auchterlonie

who have both been invited to join the Hampshire county chess team. Very good luck to them in their forthcoming matches.

## Happy Birthday

Erin Harris 13 Maniska Khadka 10 Maulik Khadka 10 Pip Mason 6 Niryan Toor 8 Felix Wooledge 8



#### Request

The Drama Department would be very grateful for the donation of coat hangers for costumes. If are you able to help please leave them in School Reception.

#### Thank You To...

The **Perry Family (Isaac and Jacob)** for their donation of toys for the Nursery.

The Barnes Family (Sam and Annabel) for their donation of a football goal for the Nursery.

## **Early Years Funding Form**

If parents have not yet signed/returned their Summer Term Nursery Session Forms or Early Years Funding Forms which were due on the 22nd February 2022 could they please do so as soon as possible.

## Menu week commencing 28th February

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Macaroni Cheese Bacon Bits	Mild Chicken Curry	Roast Loin of Pork	Cottage Pie	Battered Cod
Basil Pesto Pasta	Vegetable Curry	Vegetable Wellington	Wild Mushroom Risotto	Quorn Nuggets
Jacket Potato Choice of Toppings	Jacket Potato Choice of Toppings	Jacket Potato Choice of Toppings	Jacket Potato Choice of Toppings	Jacket Potato Choice of Toppings
Steamed Broccoli Rosemary Focaccia	Fragrant Rice Green Beans	Roast Potatoes Buttered Carrots	Selection of Vegetables	Skinny Fries Steamed Peas Tartar Sauce
Salad Bar	Salad Bar	Salad Bar	Salad Bar	Salad Bar
Selection of Desserts	Selection of Desserts	Selection of Desserts	Selection of Desserts	Selection of Desserts

Bread, Seasonal Salads, Fresh Fruit are available daily

Next week's fixture list		
Tuesday	4.15pm Schools' Challenge General Knowledge Competition v Ludgrove Away	
Wednesday	2.30pm Years 5 to 8 <b>Sports Enrichment Programme</b>	
Friday	2.15pm <b>Netball</b> v Eagle House & Daneshill U9s Away at Eagle House, U8s Away at Daneshill 2.30pm <b>Chess</b> v The Pilgrims' School, Winchester Away	
Saturday	IAPS U13 & U11 National <b>Basketball</b> Championships	

### Royal Academy Art Summer Show

The Royal Academy of Arts Young Artists Summer Show is an opportunity for children aged 5 to 19 to exhibit their work online and at the Royal Academy. This year children are invited to submit just one work of art for consideration. A panel of artists, art experts and curators will judge the works in key stage groups and the selected artworks will be shown in an online exhibition and an exhibition at the Royal Academy. Judges will also award prizes for two inspiring artworks from each key stage.

The artwork can be made using any material; it can be a painting, sculpture, photograph, installation, video, drawing, or a combination. There is no theme so artworks can be of any subject. Submission is by photograph and these should be accompanied by some information about the piece such as title, size and a little text about the artwork and why they made it.

Works of art must be submitted to the Royal Academy by Wednesday 30th March 2022 for judging in May. The online and on-site exhibitions will open on Tuesday 19th July.

As works of art need to be submitted through the school we ask that all entries and the information that is required to accompany the art is sent to Laura Knight, the Headmaster's PA, by Monday 21st March at the latest.

Visit the Royal Academy website for more information about the Summer Show and to see the 2021 online exhibition. For more information about submissions for artwork please contact Mrs Hayter.

#### Sports Matches **Swimming Gala v Eagle House**

The Year 7 and 8 swimming team swam incredibly well against Eagle House but the opposition had three very strong swimmers which gave them the edge. Congratulations to **Dexter Edwards** and Eloise Macoraghty-Mines who both won their individual races. A huge well done to **Hope Horne** who offered to swim in the Individual Medley even though she was extremely nervous about competing in that event.

## Easter Holiday Club and **Extended Nursery Care**

The Easter Holiday Club 2022 will run from Monday 28th March to Thursday 14th April 2022 for Reception to Year 8 and from Monday 28th March to Friday 8th April 2022 for Extended Nursery Provision.

Bookings will open on Wednesday 2nd March 2022 at 10.00am. Bookings may be made for any combination of days and the Holiday Club from Reception to Year 8 is open to friends and family of Yateley Manor School.

The Extended Nursery Provision is for current Yateley Manor children only. Activities will include playball and tennis, swimming will be available subject to lifeguard availability.

## Sports Enrichment Programme

The Years 5 to 8 Sports Enrichment Programme began this week and the children had a fantastic afternoon taking part in some exciting activities.

Year 6 visited Gravity Force and had a really enjoyable



afternoon at England's largest indoor trampoline park. Meanwhile Year 5 boys worked on their



learnt the basics of rugby. Years 7 and 8

took part in a carousel of activies including Aeroball, table tennis and climbing on our climbing wall.

Next week the year groups will rotate around the activities so each group will have the chance to try each sport.





