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Next Week's Diary

MONDAY

Associated Board Music Exams

TUESDAY

5.00pm	Associated Board Music Exams Year 8 Parent/Pupil Counsels			
WEDN	ESDAY			
11.30am 6.00pm	Cello Recital Rotary Youth Speaks Competition			

THURSDA

2.30pm FRIDA	A Taste of Things to Come for Year 6 Year 5 Activities Day Reception Play Performance
9.15am	Open Morning for Prospective Parents
2.30pm	Reception Play Performance

SATURDAY

12.00pm FYMS Christmas Fayre

After School Clubs

After school clubs and coaches are running next week except:

Monday: Music Practice Club

Tuesday: Maths Club, French Clinic, Year 7 and 8 Drama masterclass, Open Hockey and Basketball (all due to the Year 8 Parents' Counsels)

Assembly for 5LA & 5EMG

The class assembly for 5LA and 5EMG will take place on Thursday 28th November. Parents of these children are invited to the assembly and coffee afterwards in The Hub.

Cup Call

The following cups which were awarded at the end of last term should be returned to Mr Head by Friday 29th November:

- Progress cups
- Chess cups
- The Taylor Cup and Anderson Cup

National IAPS U13 Football Finals

The Yateley Manor U13A had an excellent day at the IAPS National Finals on Sunday and finished in the top 16 in the country.

In the group stage the boys won three and lost three matches and finished fourth in their group of seven schools. They went through to the plate competition where they were narrowly



beaten on penalties by the school that ultimately won the plate competition. The boys played really well all day, gave their very best and were excellent ambassadors for the school. Congratulations boys on a very fine performance and great achievement. <u>A full report on the tournament can be found here.</u>

Young Writers Poetry Success

Nine Year 6 pupils have had their poems selected for publication in the Young Writers Poetry Monsters competition. As more than 20,000 entries were submitted this is a great achievement for the children. Very well done: **Olivia Baker, Joshua Hine, Luca Norris, Honor Middleton, Isabel Arnold, Dan Nenguke, Hope Horne, Christopher Charles, Elodie Hubbard**

Charity of the Year

We are delighted to announce that this year Yateley Manor School's Charity of the Year is Babies in Buscot Support (BIBS)

The School Council met to hear all the Year 8 pupils give presentations on the charities that they wanted to propose to be the School's Charity of the Year. As always the decision was made very difficult, partly due to the merit of all the causes proposed and partly because the standard of presentations was very high and the children spoke with such feeling.

After a vote, BIBS, suggested by **Charlie Ellis, Ryan Tan, Anya Hagen** and **Andrew Kirby** was announced the clear winner. (continued on page 2)

The Show Must Go On

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

Your persona is the way you present yourself to the world, the character traits that you let show and the way that people will see you. If you are true to yourself, then your persona should reflect who you actually are. In some cases, however, people present false images or a false persona. The actions that a person takes and the traits they allow to show to the world help to dictate their persona. The persona may be an accurate representation of who the person really is, but this is not always the case.

To read the rest of this article and the Headmaster's other blog posts visit the website.

Headmaster's

Commendations

DT Gravity Rocker: Violet Reynolds DT Funky Furniture: Cara Steel, Bella Clark

History - Mean old Monarchs Mr Man project: Daniel Brown, Alastair Gibbs, Erin Harris, Nicholas Malandrinos Pre-Prep Awards

15 Star Certificate: Lucy Etherington 10 Star Certificates: Ranesh Barathan Bertie Taylor, Maisie Lee, Kelton Murray, Charlie Starr, Oscar Jenkins Reception Smiles: Mila Dobson, Joan Dunstan, Nana Afful Acheampong, Arthur Jones, Freddie Harris-Briggs, Sylvie Jones

Photographs

Parents are reminded that photographs taken at school events including concerts, nativity plays and sports events should be for personal use only and should not be posted onto social media sites or uploaded onto the Internet. Thank you.

FYMS AGM

At this week's Friends of Yateley Manor School AGM **Natalie Harris-Briggs** was elected as the new Chairperson and **Liz Perry** the new Vice Chair. **Teresa Norris** was re-elected as Secretary and **Kate Randall** was re-elected to the role of Treasurer. **Tristan Morris** remains as Honorary Vice Chair. Congratulations to these officers. The committee also welcomed three new members; **Joanne Wells-Skeats, Hannah Wilson** and **Sarah-Jane Gasser**

We are extremely grateful to retiring chairperson, **Claire Freer** for her hard work for FYMS. We are also grateful to all members of FYMS and everyone who has helped at one of FYMS's events for their dedication and their support of the school.

We look forward to another great year for FYMS with the new committee in place.

Big Bash Competition

The Big Bash Competition will be *Christmas Hats!* Children can create or decorate any sort of hat and make them as festive as possible. Get out the Christmas baubles and tinsel and let your imagination run riot!

Children should come to school in their normal uniform and bring their decorated hat with them for the afternoon. As last year the competition is open to all children from Years 1 to 8.

House Points and Bonuses

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

Bonus Point Winner: House Point Winner: Overall Winner:

Kingsley School Kingley

Charity of the Year continued

Other charities proposed were Rainbow Trust (Siraj Hussain, Millie Day, Joe Lockwood and Sian Louw), Debra (Maisie Rice, Madi Freer, Leo Ramkissoon, William Moore and Jamie Sheffield) and Alexander Devine' Children's Hospice (Thomas Houston, Amelia Highett, Harry Glossop and Chloe Cooper).

Well done to all our Year 8s for their excellent presentations and particularly to the four who proposed BIBS. More information on the charity can be found on page 4.

The Big Bash

The last Thursday of term is the day for Yateley Manor's very popular Christmas Bash! We anticipate a fun packed afternoon and the children are already busy organising their activities. Prep children organise themselves into small groups and come up with an idea for a game or a stall. It is up to them to collect together everything they need and make sure that they bring it all into school on Thursday morning. The children are given time in the morning to set up their stalls in the Fyson Blum Hall before the event in the afternoon. All games stalls will have a maximum price of 30p a go or two for 50p. Although the emphasis is on fun, all money raised will go to this year's school charity, Babies in BUSCOT Support.

We very much hope that parents will support children in their ventures and allow them some spending power on the day.

Children from Years 1 and 2 are also invited to join in the fun in the afternoon. They may bring in small change (maximum of £5) in a named envelope to be handed to their form teacher at the start of the day. Envelopes will be returned to the children in the afternoon before the start of the Bash.

The Christmas competition is to be *Christmas Hats* (see separate article) and is open to children in Years 1 and 2 as well as those in Years 3 to 8. Children should come to school in their normal uniform and bring their hat with them for the afternoon.

The Christmas Bash is always very popular with the children and we would like to thank all families for their support. Unfortunately we are unable to accommodate ex-pupils at the Big Bash.

Yateley Manor Carol Service

The Prep Carol Service will be on the final day of term, Friday 13th December, at 3.00pm in the Fyson Blum Hall. We welcome families of pupils in Year 3 upwards to enjoy this service with us. Tickets which are limited to two per family, will be allocated on a first come first served basis and <u>can be requisted here</u>. Please also indicate on the form if you would like more than two tickets, should any extra be available. Alternatively email <u>penny@yateleymanor.com</u> to request tickets.

Pre-Prep children do not attend this event and will be looked after in their classrooms until the Carol Service finishes. Parking will be limited and you may need to park off site once our car park is full, so leave enough time to park in Yateley and walk to school. Please bring your ticket with you.

Congratulations to ...

Ryan Tan (8JAC) and **Oliver Rowan** (**7CLT)** who, following trials, have both been selected to play in the Gothia Football World Youth Cup in July 2020. Very well done boys.

Happy Birthday to ...

Sarah Aizawa 11 Zen Aizawa 11 Fawaz Al-Utaibi 8 Emily Chestnutt 7 Lucas Irwin 11 Abigail Kidman 5 Joshua Lello 11 Sydney Miles-Darby 8 Anika Nair 10 Anna Perry 11 Jacob Perry 3 Sophie Perry 11 Violet Reynolds 12 Miles Tennant 8



Holiday Care

The Yateley Manor Holiday Club and Extended Nursery Provision will both be open during the Christmas holidays between 16th and 20th December.

The Nursery Provision is for Nursery aged children and the Holiday Club is open to children from Reception upwards.

Booking for both is now open for the Christmas week. <u>Visit the holiday club</u> page of the school website to book.

Important Coach Information

Fleet High Street will be closed on the evening of **Wednesday 27th November** for the switching on of the Christmas Lights. As a result Truemans will be unable to service the Fleet Road/Hamptons coach stop for the 5.40pm coach that evening. Parents and children will therefore need to use either the Fleet Road/Avondale Road stop before the High Street or the Albert Street stop. **The early shuttle will not be affected.**

On the final two days of term, **Thursday 12th and Friday 13th December,** there will be no after school clubs and all children must be collected by 4.40pm. For these two days coaches will leave at 4.30pm rather than at 5.40pm and their arrival time at the bus stops will be an hour and ten minutes earlier than usual. There will be no shuttle on those evenings and coaches will follow the normal late coach

routes.

FYMS (Friends of Yateley Manor School) FYMS Christmas Favre

Just one week to go until the Christmas Fayre and we are putting the final touches to what promises to be a great afternoon with plenty to do for all the family. We have shared lots of information with you over the past weeks but here is a summary:

Christmas Market: We will have a total of 35 stalls in our Christmas market who are all local retailers supplying something for everyone including; cakes, candles, wax melts, jewellery, make-up, skincare, children's toys, stocking fillers, baby photography and home accessories. Thanks to your generosity, we will also have two stalls for the chocolate tombola! In the Fyson Blum Hall will be our Santa's Grotto and don't forget to get your raffle tickets as we have some amazing prizes – the raffle will be drawn at 2.45pm.

For smaller ones: We will have an art and crafts zone in the gym where children will be able to do a range of fun activities and even get their face painted (please note there will be a charge of \pounds 3.50 for face painting).

For older ones: There will be fun games for older children including 'Shelf the Elf' – more to be revealed on the day.

Food and drink: We will be selling hotdogs and light refreshments in the Fyson Blum Hall from 12.00noon onwards.

Most stall holders will accept cash and cards but please bring cash for all FYMS run stalls. We are looking forward to seeing lots of you next Saturday and if you want to know more about what is going on, please visit our <u>Facebook event page</u>. Lastly, please feel free to invite friends and extended family to the Fayre. With free entry it is a great way to kick start your festive season.

Thank you from FYMS

A huge thank you from FYMS to everyone who brought **chocolate donations** to school for the FYMS Christmas Fayre. Parents were very generous and they now have ten giant bags of chocolate so there will be plenty of prizes to be won. Thank you to Laura Cornish, Sarah-Jane and Matthew Gasser and Liz Chesnutt who collected in the goodies.

Thank you also to everyone who brought in a bag of textiles for the **Bags2School** Collection. The bags have now been collected and FYMS will receive money for each one.

FYMS Nursery and Pre-Prep Christmas Parties

The FYMS Nursery and Pre-Prep Christmas parties will be held on Wednesday 11th December. The Nursery party will take place in the morning and the Pre-Prep party in the afternoon. A very special visitor will be coming to both parties and everyone will receive a Christmas gift too!

FYMS asks for a donation of £5 per child please towards the costs of the party and the presents. We would be very grateful if Nursery children could pass their donation in an envelope with their name on to the Nursery Staff. Reception, Years 1 and 2 should place theirs in an envelope with their name and form group on and put it into the FYMS post box in School Reception by Friday 29th November.

Children in Nursery, Reception and Years 1 and 2 may come to school in traditional party clothes on that day if they would like. (Please no lycra or footballs kits).



WEEK 11 w/c 25th November



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
SOUP	Potato & Onion	Leek & Sweet Potato	Minestrone	Carrot & Coconut	Cauliflower & Cheese
MAIN COURSE	Lamb and Apricot Tagine with Coriander Couscous	Braised Pork, Green Peppers & Pineapple Sauce with Prawn Crackers	Ragout of Beef Lasagne	Homemade Crispy Chicken Goujons with Tomato Chutney	Honey and Soy Marinated Salmon Fillets
VEGETARIAN OPTION	Roasted Pepper and Butternut Squash Quiche	Vegetable and Bok Choi Stir-Fry	Vegetable and Spinach Lasagne	BBQ Pulled Jack Fruit in a Brioche Bun	Rice Noodle Pad Thai
SIDES	New Potatoes Coriander Carrots Green Bean Panache	Fried Rice Broccoli Chinese Cabbage	French Stick Sweetcom Succotash House Slaw	Spiced Jacket Wedges Buttered Leeks	New Potatoes Stir-Fried Vegetables Garden Peas
DESSERTS	Lemon Drizzle	Fruits of the Forest Crumble with Vanilla Custard	Vanilla Bean Rice Pudding with Strawberry Jam	Chocolate Mousse	Cheese and Crackers
AVAILABLE DAILY	Jacket Potatoes and Fillings, Salad Bar Cut Fresh Fruit and Homemade Yoghurt with Assorted Fruit Toppings				

Next	Next week's fixture list		
Monday	4.30pm National Schools U19 Chess Competition Yateley Manor B v St Catherine's, Home		
Wednesday	2.30pm Netball v Amesbury and Edgeborough U13A & U13B Home U11A & U11B Away at Amesbury (coach leaves		
	1.20pm & returns 5.00pm), U10A & U10B Away at Edgeborough (coach leaves 1.30pm & returns 4.45pm)		
Thursday	Swimming Gala v Eagle House POSTPONED		
Friday	5.30pm National Schools U19 Chess Competition B team v Collyers School, Horsham Home		
Saturday	9.00am Lambrook U9 Netball Tournament (meet Mrs Ellis at school at 8.00am)		

Amesbury Information

Amesbury School have asked that parents travelling to watch the netball matches at Amesbury on Wednesday access the school via High Pitfold, postcode GU26 6BN (rather than via Hazel Grove) as space is limited.

Charity of the Year - BIBS

BIBS (Babies in Buscot Support) is a charity that supports babies and their families in the special care baby unit (Buscot Ward) at the Royal Berkshire Hospital in Reading. The charity committee and its supporters are all parents or carers of ex-Buscot babies who have been through the experience of having a premature or full term but ill baby.

BIBS works in several ways to support families. It fundraises to help Buscot Ward purchase state of the art equipment such as Giraffe incubators and resuscitation equipment as well as smaller items including a photograph printer, premature baby clothes and keep sake boxes. The charity also manages and refurbishes parent and family facilities on the ward such as the family lounge and overnight accommodation.

The charity also offers practical support by funding a professional Family Support Practitioner who runs drop-in sessions three times a week and by holding a Parent Support evening once a week which is run by volunteer, former Buscot parents.

The charity aims to raise awareness of the issues faced by parents and babies on the unit and works with the hospital and other organisations to make this most stressful of journeys as smooth as possible

BIBS is very close to the hearts of two of the Year 8 proposers of the charity who benefitted themselves from the wonderful work they do. Yateley Manor is very proud to have BIBS as its Charity of the Year.

School Shop Update

Please note that on Thursday December 5th the School Shop will be open between 8.30am and 11.00am instead of during the afternoon.

Even More Cricket Successes

Congratulations to the following pupils who have also been selected for squads and age groups through the Hampshire Cricket Junior Pathway: **Sophie Boston, Alastair Gibbs, Oliver Thornton, Jake Boston, Sam Codd, Dylan Sehmi.** Very well done to them all.

This Week's Matches

This week marks the end of the hockey and football seasons with the start of the netball and rugby seasons next week.

The seasons finished in style with the U13 boys taking part in the IAPS National Football Finals and the U12 girls playing in the National IAPS Hockey Finals.

The U11 and U10 girls also played their last hockey games of the season.

This week saw the U11 basketball team in action and the Yateley Manor A and Yateley Manor C teams finishing their sections of the National Schools U19 Chess Competition. <u>Reports on all these can be found here</u>. Friday's matches will be reported on in next week's INAMOS.

Christmas Shoe Boxes

As part of our run-up to Christmas, we are again supporting the Salvation Army's Christmas Present Appeal which distributes gifts to disadvantaged children within the local community. As usual, we will be collecting shoe boxes filled with gifts and would be grateful for donations. Here are some guidelines to help you create a gift box:

- Please wrap your shoe box in festive paper, remembering to wrap the box and the lid separately so that the box can still be opened.
- Decide on the age and gender of the recipient
- Fill the box with appropriate gifts. Ideally they should be filled with items that children would like to receive. This might include:
- **Toys**: soft toy, ball, finger puppet, jigsaw, yo-yo, building blocks, small musical instrument, trucks, cars or dolls
- **Stationery**: pens, pencils, note book, felt pens, pencil sharpener, rubber, paints, colouring book, puzzle book, chalk, pencil case, stickers
- Toiletries: bubble bath, soap, body lotion, novelty toothbrush, hair clips
 - **Other Items:** Sweets, chocolate (please a small amount only in each box), hat, cap, necklaces, bangles, gloves, scarf, sunglasses
- **Please do not include**: war related items, (toy guns, knives etc), sharp or fragile objects, medicines or vitamins.
- Please include a donation of at least £1 in an envelope in the box to cover distribution costs and to help the Salvation Army provide food for needy families at Christmas.
- Secure the lid with a rubber band and attach a label with the age and gender of the suggested recipient
- Gift boxes for adults would also be very warmly received.
- Deliver to School Reception by Wednesday 4th December as a representative from the Salvation Army will collect all gifts in the following week.

With your help, hopefully we can collect even more boxes than we did last year and help children who are less fortunate than our pupils to have an enjoyable Christmas.

Thank you very much for your support with this appeal.