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# Nursery's Nativity

Next Week's Diary

#### MONDAY

9.00am	Virtual Special Christmas Assembly with Chris Connaughton (Years 3 to	
THUR	SDAY	
9.00am	Virtual Internal Prize Giving for Years 3 to 8	
10.00am	Nursery Christmas Party	
pm	Internal Prize Giving for Pre- Prep	
10.100	House Dublic Speaking	

pm House Public Speaking Competition Last day for clubs and late supervision (see below)

#### FRIDAY

am	Festive Wear today (see below) Virtual Pantomime for all year
um	groups
	Christmas Lunch
pm	Christmas Carols
	End of Term ( see below)

# Important After School Club & Coach Information

After school clubs will be running on Monday, to Thursday as usual except that there will be **no ballet or modern dance clubs** 

#### **Friday**

There will be no clubs or late supervision for Nursery, Pre-Prep or Prep children on these nights and no early shuttle bus.

Coaches leave at 4.30pm and will follow the normal late coach routes. They will therefore arrive at bus stops an hour and ten minutes earlier than usual.

All children must be collected by 4.40pm.

#### Yateley Manor Awards

Many congratulations to **Francesca McLoughlin** and **Harry Raven** who have both achieved their Yateley Manor Bronze Awards.

The Nursery children gave a fantastic performance of their Christmas play, Away in a Manger. As we were unable to invite the parents and families into school to watch we have filmed the show so that



parents will be able to watch with their children.

The children looked lovely in their costumes, spoke their lines clearly and sang their songs with real enthusiasm. The whole production was enchanting and it was wonderful to see how confident the children were on stage, especially, as some are as young as two years old. More photos will be on the <u>school's Facebook page soon</u>.

# Initial Thoughts from the Captains of School

Robert Upton's latest blog can be found on the School website. This week's post is by our Captains of School, Sarah-Jane Butler and Poppy Everest.

Following their recent appointment as Captains of School we asked Sarah-Jane Butler and Poppy Everest to tell us about themselves, their interests and about what they would like to achieve in their new role.

To read about the girls click here.

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



#### Festive Wear on Friday 11th December

We invite all children to come to school on the final day of term, Friday 11th December in Festive Wear.

We do not expect the children to wear school uniform on this day and they may dress with as much tinsel as they wish!

We do ask that all children bring a warm coat on that day as we hope to be able to sing Carols around the Christmas tree for a while during the afternoon.

#### Headmaster's Commendations

Geography - Volcano Project: Christian Dawber

#### **Pre-Prep Awards**

10 Star Certificates: Anushka Lal, Niamh Lumpkin, Ben Mason, Ozzy Upfold, Mila Dobson, Saina Patre, Ruby Porter

#### Send Us Your Festive Photos or Films

We would love to see how our families are preparing for Christmas this year. So we are asking parents to send us festive photos or short video clips which we will gather together into a short film at the end of term. Why not send the school community a Christmas wish? Whether it is putting up your decorations, showing us how fabulous your tree is, some festive attire or your Christmas lights please take a family photo, selfie or short clip and send them to penny@ <u>yateleymanor.com</u> by the time school finishes on Friday 11th December and we will create a Christmassy collection of celebratory clips to be shared on our social media sites.

#### Advent Calendar

We are very excited to let you know that the Yateley Manor Advent Calendar went live on Tuesday!

We have been very busy filming items that you would expect to see at one of many events to which parents are usually invited at this time of year. We will be sharing one or more with you each day between now and Christmas Eve.

Links to the daily posts will be posted on our <u>Facebook page</u> and our <u>Twitter Feed</u>.

To see the whole <u>Advent calendar visit our</u> <u>website</u>. Links to this page can also be found on the home page of the website. We have tried really hard to include every child in one of these videos (or for Nursery and Reception in their Nativity videos). We apologise if, for reasons out of our control, a child is not in a film.

We hope that you will enjoy our Advent Calendar and that it will mitigate the disappointment of not having our usual Christmas events.

#### Thank you to ...

The Harris-Briggs Family (Freddie 1JAV) for their donation of toys for the Nursery.

# House Points and Bonuses

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

Bonus Point Winner:FysonHouse Point Winner:StanleyOverall Winner:Stanley

## LAMDA Examination Results

Fifty two children from Year 4 to Year 8 took LAMDA examinations a couple of weeks ago and this week we received the results and what a fantastic set of results they were. Forty of the children passed with Distinction (80 marks or more out of 100) and the remaining children passed 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. This is our very first set of LAMDA exams which makes the children's achievements even greater.

Special mention should go to **Sofia Davies** and **Evelyn Rolt** who both scored a perfect 100% and also to **Matthew Page** who did all the hard work preparing for the exam and was not able to take it due to illness.

Very well done to: Evie Cranwell, Maniska Khadka, Hannah Falode, Zara Porter, Farrah Knight, Phoebe Batcheler, Maulik Khadka, Maia Cella Walker, Rafa Stiles, Grace Gorvin, Henry Baker, Evie Newman, Aaron Shahi, Louisa Bexell, Daniel Purslow, Michelle Adeola, Aarav Katarya, Poppy Singh, Lucas Jackson-Rose, Magnus Tyrrell, Thomas Smith, Joseph Bailey, Lukas Porter, Devansh Panda, Rihaan Nair, Sofia Davies, Evelyn Rolt, Oliver Stubbs, Isabel Arnold, Francesca McLoughlin, Lucas Irwin, George Jacobs, Hazel Tennant, Eloise Macoraghty-Mines, Sam Summers, Cara Steel, Jack Cantelo, Erin Harris, Honor Middleton, Robin Hawksley, Christopher Stubbs, Ella Tyrrell, Sarah-Jane Butler, Eva McLoughlin, Poppy Everest, Natalie Dyason, Amelie Butterwick, Ginny Burton, Sam Reader, Matthew Daines, Immi Miller, Violet Reynolds

#### Step by Step

A really big thank you to everyone who supported our purple day a few of weeks ago. We were able to send a cheque for £525 to Step by Step. This is a fabulous sum

which, we hope, will help the charity in their incredibly important work supporting local young people who are going through hard times. Step by Step take a unique approach providing accommodation, personal development opportunities and specialist support services.



#### It's Panto Time

The whole school will be watching a Virtual Pantomime next Friday morning, the final morning of term. The pantomine will be played live in each classroom around the school so everyone will have the chance to watch it.

We are very grateful to FYMS for providing this for the children and for helping to give them a really festive end to the term (oh ves we are!)

#### Happy Birthday

Arthavit Anoop 8 Tishya Bhattacharjee 9 Rhys Davies 13 Jasper Dobson 9 Grace Harvey 8 Ethan Knight 11 Zariah Mockett 7



#### Ballet & Modern Dance

Please note that there will be no Ballet or Modern Dances clubs next week. Clubs will restart next term

#### Horse Riding Option

All riders should have received an email from Rachel Arris about horse riding option for next term. Please reply by the end of term.

Horse Riding option will start on the first Wednesday of the Spring Term, 6th January. Do not forget your riding kit!

#### Chess Masterclass

Letters about next term's chess masterclass (Tuesday evenings 5.30 - 7.00pm) have been sent home.

The first session will be on the first Tuesday of term, 5th January and will be for group A. Please make sure that your replies are returned to school as soon as possible.

## Individual Photo Orders

Orders of photographs which were placed by the cut off date for delivery to school should have arrived at school today, Friday 4th December.

We will leave these to quarantine over the weekend and they will be distributed to the classrooms early next week for the children to bring home on Tuesday or Wednesday.

Please keep an eye out for your order. Thank you.

# **FYMS** Corner

#### **FYMS Smarties Christmas Challenge**

Help FYMS raise money this Christmas and spread some kindness at the same time.

This Christmas we are asking everyone to participate in our Christmas Challenge.

Step 1 – Ask an adult to kindly purchase a tube of smarties (or similar) and eat them, don't forget to share them with your family.

Step 2 – Earn money for your tube by doing jobs around the house and/or acts of kindness for others.

Step 3 – Fill your tube with the money you have earned

Step 4 – Drop your tubes in the collection points on the first few days of school in 2021

## Salvation Army Chocolate Appeal

A huge thank you to everyone who brought in chocolate tubs or tins for our Salvation Army appeal. The Salvation Army will be giving vouchers to the families they support at Christmas and will now be able to attach these to a tub of chocolates when they deliver them.

Thank you also to all the parents who so generously donated a voucher or a cheque for the



Salvation Army. We know that both donations and chocolates

Christmas than they might

The Salvation Army will be

so it is still possible to drop a

otherwise have had.

first thing on Monday.

will give a lot of children a happier

collecting everything on Monday

donation in to School Reception



## Next Week's Menu

#### PALMER & HOWELLS

Yateley Manor School								
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday				
Award Winning Sausage	Beef Stew	Pork & Sage Ragu	Chicken Goujons	IT'S CHRISTMAS! Turkey				
Vegetable Sausage	Vegetable Casserole	Butter Bean Ragu	Quorn Dippers	Mushroom Wellington				
Jacket Potato Choice of Toppings	Jacket Potato Choice of Toppings	Jacket Potato Choice of Toppings	Jacket Potato Choice of Toppings	ALL THE TRIMMINGS Gravy				
Creamed Mash Garden Peas Gravy	Carrot Crushed New Potatoes	Spaghetti House Herb Bread Green Beans	Potato Wedges Beans Sweetcorn	Pigs in Blankets Yorkshire Pudding Cauliflower Cheese Seasonal Greens Stuffing				
Salad Bar	Salad Bar	Salad Bar	Salad Bar	Chocolate Yule Log Mince pies	Net			
Dessert of the Day	Dessert of the Day	Dessert of the Day	Dessert of the Day	Fresh fruit				

#### **Tenner Challenge**

The results are finally in for the Tenner Challenge and we are delighted to announce the winners!

We were so impressed with the enterprise shown by all four teams. Each team demonstrated great teamwork and real initiative in their ideas and products. Many thanks to their families too for supporting the children throughout the challenge.

Competition for top spot was very tight between the teams. The winning team was chosen based on the total amount they made, their hard work, creative design ideas and range of products. We are pleased to announce that the winning team is Team Silverleaf: **Honor Middleton, Hazel Tennant** and **Lara Dobson**. Congratulations to them, they will be sending a portion of their profits to their chosen charity.

We would also like to thank all the teams for taking part, they were amazing; Team Jarsco: Erin Harris, Anna Perry and Sophie Perry, Team Scrunchies: Ella Tyrrell, Bella Clark, Poppy Everest and Munirah Al-Utiabi and Team Manorzine: Olivia Baker, Cara Steel and Joe Spradbery.

They will all be receiving their official Tenner Challenge certificates. Watch out, I am sure there are some young entrepreneurs of the future amongst them!

#### Christmas Holiday Clubs and Nursery Provision

The Holiday Club and Extended Nursery Provision will both be open during the Christmas holiday period between Monday 14th December and Friday 18th December 2020. These dates are based on current government guidelines and we will keep you updated on any changes which may arise.

Bookings may only be made for the full week or for three days: Tuesday to Thursday.

The Extended Nursery Provision is for Nursery aged children and the Holiday Club is open to children from Reception upwards. Please note that in the current situation holiday care is only open to Yateley Manor children.

Booking for these dates are now open. Please see the <u>website for more details.</u>

#### Historical Snow Globe Competition

With the Christmas period upon us, why not get crafty with our historic snow globe competition for children from Year 3 upwards. You will need to:

- Research an historic event that happened on one of the twelve days of Christmas (25th December - 5th January) and design a snow globe to represent it including no more than five details.
- Explain why you have chosen this event. A snow globe template and more\_

information can be found here.

Alternatively why not even try and make one? Closing date is Friday 8th January. Festive prizes will be awarded!

#### Lost Property

Aaron Shahi (5NCD) has lost his named pencil case. It is black on one side and white on the other. Please let Aaron or Matron know if you have seen it. Thank you.

#### Year 2's Great Fire of London

Year 2 took a trip back in time to September 1666 and the Great Fire of London. Having learnt all about the events, they became bakers, mixing, kneading and baking their own bread. The children each constructed an Elizabethan style house and the year group created a mini Pudding Lane in the Woodland Learning Area. Here they set fire to one house and watched the flames spread until they engulfed their whole road.

It was a really enjoyable day.

