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Your Child, Their Journey, Our Focus

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Next Week's Diary

9.00am Year 3 to Butser Ancient Farm Reading Workshop for Parents 5.00pm of Children in Years 1 and 2

11.30am School Council Meeting **4.45pm** Maths Workshop for Parents of Children in Year 5

Virtual Open Morning for **Prospective Parents**

After School Clubs

After school clubs and coaches are running next week except:

Tuesday: Maths Club

Year 5 and 6 Drama Production

After much excitement and urgent, hushed whispers in corridors, Mrs Brundle is now able to announce that the Year 5 and 6 play this year will be *Charlie and the Chocolate* Factory, adapted for the stage from Roald Dahl's original story by Richard George. Mrs Brundle chose this as she believes it has all the right ingredients for a great production: an engaging plot, interesting and varied characters, catchy tunes, and some wellplaced life-lessons.

Auditions for the play will begin in a few weeks' time so if children are interested in being involved they should keep an eye on the Drama notice board for news of when these will take place and how they should prepare. Good luck, everyone!

Personal Statements for Years 6 and 8

A reminder that the Year 6 and Year 8 personal statement forms should be returned to form tutors by next Monday, 21st September. Digital copies are available (on the links above).

Year 8's Fieldwork on Yateley Common

Year 8 spent Thursday morning on Yateley Common familiarising themselves with the environment in preparation for completing their fieldwork project. They are studying

the leisure and recreational facilities offered by Yateley Common and will be conducting an online questionnaire to collect their data. They also completed an environmental quality assessment at different points on the common and looked out for evidence of people using it for recreational purposes.



Your Child is Remarkable

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

The English writer and philosopher, Aldous Huxley, once said, "Children are remarkable for their intelligence and ardor, for their curiosity, their intolerance of shams, the clarity and ruthlessness of their vision." I imagine every parent thinks their loved ones are remarkable and they would be correct.

Every child has unique character strengths and abilities that allow them to express

their individuality in a social environment. It is what makes them "special". As parents, we begin to notice differences in our children when they are quite young. Do you remember when you discovered your child loved to listen to music, to climb or to build with blocks? These may have been slight hints as to your child's future interests, and perhaps later in life they might become a musician, a mountain climber or an architect.



To read the rest of this article click here.

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

Macmillan Coffee Morning Friday 25th September

Even though we cannot hold our annual Coffee Morning for MacMillan Cancer Care we still think it is important to mark the day. We have set up a JustGiving page which can be found here and invite families to bake a cake and supply us with photographs or video. These can be of the process or of the final cake. In exchange for donations we will publish the photographs and videos on our FaceBook page. Thank you in advance for your support.

Pre-Prep Awards

Reception Smilies:

Louisa Machin, Pip Mason, Edward Skerry, Ollie Wells

Virtual Parent Meetings Next Week

There are two parent workshops scheduled for next week:

The Reading Workshop for parents of children in Years 1 and 2 will take place on Monday 21st September at 5.00pm. The link for this meeting was emailed to parents on Friday

The Maths Workshop for parents of children in Year 5 will take place on Tuesday 22nd September at 5.00pm. The link for the meeting will be emailed to parents on Monday.

Year 8 Picnic Performance

As we are not able to invite parents into school, the Year 8 Picnic Performance is, unfortunately, not able to go ahead in its usual format.

Year 8 have been enjoying participating in some socially-distanced group poetry in their English lessons and they are all busy preparing solo, paired and group pieces to perform for class competitions which will take place during the coming fortnight.

Individual and Sibling Photographs

We are unfortunately unable to invite our photographer, Andy Faulkner, in to school this term to take our individual and sibling group photos.

We know this will be very disappointing to parents but we very much hope that we will be able to invite him in to school later in the academic year when the situation may have improved.

Dietary and Medical Information

If your child's dietary or medical information, such as allergies, have changed since you last completed a school medical form, it is very important that you let us know.

Please pop into Reception and collect a new form to complete or email Tanja Weddell at <u>tweddell@yateleymanor.com</u>.

House Points and Bonuses

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

Bonus Point Winner: Stanley
House Point Winner: School
Overall Winner: Stanley

Life in Years 7 and 8 at Yateley Manor

We will be holding a virtual presentation entitled A Look at Life in Years 7 and 8 on **Wednesday 14th October at 7.00pm.** (Sincere apologies we have had to change the date for this meeting which was originally scheduled for Tuesday 6th October.)

The Year 7 and 8 programme at a prep school and especially, we believe, at Yateley Manor, is one of the most powerful and influential experiences in a child's education and is an important part of their voyage of self-discovery.

The meeting will be led by Robert Upton but will, we hope, also feature current Year 7 and 8 children who will be able to give their perspective of our senior years. Topics covered will include the PSB programme, Yateley Manor Award Scheme, leadership and citizenship in Years 7 and 8.

The meeting is aimed particularly at parents of children in Years 4, 5 and 6 but is open to all parents.

If you would like to attend this virtual meeting please <u>complete and submit the form using this link</u> or email <u>Penny Charles.</u>

Harvest Festival Celebration

Our celebration of Harvest Festival will be a little different this year as we are not able to invite parents to join us. We will have a virtual celebration on Friday 9th October.

We would still be very grateful for all donations of fruit, vegetables and store cupboard items. Surrey Borough Council Community Services have a particularly large number of families and people in need this year and we would like to be able to help as much as we can.



We would ask that all donations are brought to your child's normal entry point except for Years 3 and 4 who should bring their donation to Manor Court before entering through the Lower School Door.

Donations will be collected by Surrey Heath Borough Council Community Services later that morning.

Virtual Reading Workshop for Parents of Children in Years 3 and 4

A Virtual Reading Workshop for the parents of children in Years 3 and 4 will take place on Monday 5th October at 5.00pm.

The aim of the workshops is to explain how reading will be covered in school and how you can support your child at home.

Parents will be emailed a link to the workshop a few days before the event.

Good Luck and Congratulations to ...

William Auchterlonie (6EMG) will be doing his 20 mile walk of the North Downs Way this Sunday, 20th September. William has been training hard during the summer holidays and is delighted to have raised over £1000 (including gift aid) for Cancer Research. Good luck William (and his Daddy, who will be walking with him). We think this is a fantastic way to accept the challenge that the Headmaster set! If you would like to support William his Just Giving page can be found here.

Congratulations too for being promoted to the silver academy with Rushmoor Royals.

Congratulations to ...

Shourya Patre (6BCS) who has passed his Rockschool Grade 3 Guitar Exam. **Shourya** practised hard all through lockdown and had to submit his exam entry via video. Well done **Shourya**

Charity of the Year

We are delighted to have raised a total of £2,551 for last year's Yateley Manor Charity of the Year, Babies in Buscott Support (BIBS) despite losing a term of fundraising.

Thank you to everyone who helped us raise this money for such a worthwhile charity. We are very proud to have been able to support them.

Happy Birthday to ...

William Keep 11 Ava Kennedy-Smith 11 Alex Nash 10 Maya Patel 7 Harry Raven 12



Facebook, Twitter and Instagram

As well as the <u>Yateley Manor Facebook</u> <u>account</u>, the Nursery has its <u>own Facebook</u> <u>page</u> which is updated regularly. Why not follow it to keep up to date with what the children are doing?

The <u>Yateley Manor Twitter</u> and <u>Instagram</u> account can be found here.

Robert Upton has his own Headmaster Twitter feed and each year group from Nursery to Year 4 and each academic department within the school also have their own Twitter feed. These are all in the format of @YMS_Year1 or @YMS_Drama etc. Follow some of these to see what each area of the school are up to.

FYMS Friends of Yateley Manor School

Parent directory

Thank you to everyone who has sent across their details to be included in the FYMS business / service directory. If you would like your business listed, please message natalieharrisbriggs@gmail.com detailing your business name, contact details and a 50 word paragraph detailing your services.

FYMS survey

FYMS has had a challenging time during COVID-19 as we struggle to raise funds for our sensory garden through events such as the May Fair and the Barn Dance. With this in mind, we are running a survey for parents and families to get a better understanding of our wider family community. We would be very grateful if you would take the time to answer this short questionnaire to ensure we are meeting the needs of our families.

The survey can be found here

Bags 2 School - Monday 12th October

WE WANT YOUR OLD CLOTHES! We know many of you have probably spent time over lockdown clearing out and de-cluttering - we have organised a Bag 2 School collection where you can get rid of some of this excess and reclaim your houses! Bag 2 School specialises in collecting good quality second hand clothing to be re-used. They weigh all of the donated bags and pay us a percentage, so the more we collect, the more we benefit! If you would like to drop your unwanted clothes to us, here are the finer details.

Please use black bin liners and bring in the following items (good quality please):

- · Adults and children's clothing
- Paired shoes
- · Hats, belts and handbags

Please **do NOT** donate any of the following: School or work Uniform, Duvets, Pillows, Cushions, Soft toys, Bedding, Curtains, Towels

Drop off Times: Due to the restrictions we have in place at school at the moment, you can only drop off your bags to us on **Monday 12th October from 8am-9am** and from 3.30pm – 5.30pm. **Drop offs must not be in the normal place and can only be at the FYMS garage next to nursery**.

FYMS are relying on people to be vigilant of social distancing when dropping bags off.

Year 5's Walk to Yateley Common

Year 5 will be walking to Yateley Common on Thursday 1st October as part of their geography course. They will leave school at about 9.00am and will return to school by 1.00pm in time for lunch.

Next Week's Menus

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Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hot Dogs	Baked Meatballs	Roast Lemon and Thyme Chicken	Fish Goujons
Falafel	Spinach and Mushroom Bake	Roasted Butternut Squash	Pea Risotto
Jacket Potato Choice of Toppings	Jacket Potato Choice Of Toppings	Jacket Potato Choice Of Toppings	Jacket Potato Choice Of Toppings
Selection of Toppings Potato Salad Green Beans	Spaghetti House Herb Bread Savoy Cabbage	Brown Rice Fine Beans New Potatoes	Chips Carrots House Tartar sauce
Salad bar	Salad Bar	Salad Bar	Salad bar
Dessert of the day	Dessert of the day	Dessert of the day	Dessert of the day
	Falafel Jacket Potato Choice of Toppings Selection of Toppings Potato Salad Green Beans Salad bar	Hot Dogs Baked Meatballs Falafel Spinach and Mushroom Bake Jacket Potato Choice of Toppings Choice of Toppings Selection of Toppings Potato Salad Green Beans Salad Bar Salad bar Salad Bar	Hot Dogs Baked Meatballs Roast Lemon and Thyme Chicken Falafel Spinach and Mushroom Bake Roasted Butternut Squash Jacket Potato Choice of Toppings Choice Of Toppings Potato Salad Green Beans Savoy Cabbage Roast Brown Rice Fine Beans New Potatoes Salad bar Salad Bar Salad Bar



Freshly Baked Bread, Seasonal Salads, Fresh Fruit and Yoghurt are available daily

Independent School Caterers

Brass Musical Instruments

This week in Music, children in Years 3 to 8 have been learning about instruments and the instrument families.

Within these lessons, the children have all watched a video demonstration about brass instruments from our new brass teacher, Barney Lowe. The children particularly enjoyed his jazz rendition of When The Saints Go Marching In, a fantastic version of the Match of the Day theme tune and famous film pieces including Star Wars and James Bond. It was wonderful to see the children enjoying learning about this fantastic family of instruments. If your child is interested in a trial lesson on a brass instrument, please let our Director of Music, Jennifer Hustler, know so she can arrange for Mr Lowe to contact you.

Year 8 GCSE PE

While there are no matches taking place on a Wednesday afternoons the Year 8 GCSE PE group have been using the time to do their practical assessments in a range of sports, including some that they did not have a chance to do in the summer term.

The girls have been assessed and filmed in hockey and cricket and the boys in football and cricket.







Lost Property

Harry Raven (7GPB) has lost his named black jumper. If you have seen it please let Harry or Matron know. Thank you.

LAMDA

We will be offering LAMDA tuition to children in Years 3 to 8 again this academic year. During designated sessions, Gail Brundle will be delivering individual, shared and small group lessons in a variety of courses set by the London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art, resulting in recognised exam qualifications. While there will be no additional charge for these lessons, there will be a registration fee for any child who wishes to take an exam.

Once the children who were preparing for LAMDA exams last year have taken their exams, new groups will be formed.

Children from Year 3 upwards who wish to continue or start LAMDA need to register their interest. Due to restrictions with teacher: pupil ratios there will be a maximum of ten places available for each session and these will be allocated on a first come first served basis. A link to the online form for registering for these sessions will be emailed to parents on Monday 21st September at 6.00pm Please look out for this link.

The new LAMDA sessions with be on:

Children in Years 3 & 4 Wednesdays 8.10am – 8.40am or Wednesdays 1.30pm - 2.00pm

Children in Years 5 & 6 Mondays 1.30pm - 2.00pm or Tuesday 8.10am – 8.40am

Children in Years 7 & 8 Fridays 1.30pm - 2.00pm (not open to those who have been

invited to Drama Masterclass)

Please note that children will be expected to commit to attending the session each week for the year and will be expected to take a LAMDA exam during the summer term, the cost of which will be charged to parents.

Years 5 & 6 Football League

	Position	Played	Won	Lost	Draw	GF	GA	GD	PTS
Bayern Munich	1	2	2	0	0	6	1	+5	6
Silverbacks	2	2	2	0	0	5	1	+4	6
Tottenham	3	2	1	1	0	5	2	+3	3
Wolves FC	4	2	1	1	0	4	4	0	3
Liverpool	5	2	1	1	0	3	4	-1	3
Real Madrid	6	2	1	1	0	3	5	-2	3
Cheetah FC	7	2	0	2	0	2	5	-3	0
Panthers FC	8	2	0	2	0	1	7	-6	0

Results

<u>Rouna i</u>	<u>Rouna Z</u>		
Liverpool 2	Wolves FC 1	Real Madrid 3	Liverpool 1
Tottenham 4	Real Madrid 0	Bayern Munich 2	Tottenham 1
Panthers FC 0	Bayern Munich 4	Silverbacks 3	Panthers FC 1
Cheetah FC 0	Silverbacks 2	Wolves FC 3	Cheetah FC 2

Years 3 & 4 Football League

	Position	Played	Won	Lost	Draw	GF	GA	GD	PTS
Barcelona	1	2	2	0	0	11	1	+10	6
Liverpool	2	2	1	0	1	8	2	+6	4
Bayern Munich	3	2	1	1	0	6	4	+2	3
Man City	4	2	1	1	0	3	6	-3	3
PSG	5	2	0	1	1	2	5	-3	1
Tottenham	6	2	0	2	0	2	14	-12	0

Results

<u>kouna I</u>		<u>Kouna 2</u>			
Barcelona 7	Tottenham 1	Man City 0	Barcelona 4		
Bayern Munich 2	Man City 3	PSG 1	Bayern Munich 4		
Liverpool 1	PSB 1	Tottenham 1	Liverpool 7		

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