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Next Week's Diary

MONDAY 16th January

Reception parents in for lunch

TUESDAY 17th January

9am Reception Open Morning

9.30pm Florence Nightingale (Year 2)

WEDNESDAY 18th January

THURSDAY 19th January

Council elections

FRIDAY 20th January

2pm YM U8 Netball Tournament

Club News

All clubs are running next week.

Policy Updates

Some of our major policies are regularly updated on our website [here](#).

Staffing News

Tanja Weddell will be leaving Yateley Manor on Wednesday next week. Tanja has been at Yateley Manor for almost 19 years and Registrar for the past 12. In that time she has supported hundreds of families with the admissions process. We are very grateful to Tanja for her support over the years and wish her well in her new ventures. We are delighted to announce that Zoe Newman has been appointed to the role of Head of Marketing and Admissions, following a lengthy recruitment process. Zoe has been a parent at the school for 14 years and joins us with a wealth of experience.

We welcome Debra Parsons, our new minibus driver.

Ski Tour

The children and staff had a wonderful trip to Zell am See, Austria, towards the end of the break. The views from the top were incredible.

We have created a short film of the trip, which is available [here](#).



Pause for Thought

Did I do well?

From smiley faces to the coveted golden Headmaster Commendation stickers, the plethora of certificates and trophies to simply clapping children in assembly, there are examples of recognition of success for children everywhere in school. We assume that enthusiastic words and rewards motivate children, but it all depends on the context.

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Key Information

LAMDA examinations - Monday 23rd January

Year 1 - Parents invited in for lunch (Week commencing Monday 23rd January)

Reception - Open Morning (Monday 23rd January)

Year 6 - Parents' Evening (Monday 23rd January)

Year 8 - GCSE PE Trial Examination (Wednesday 25th January)

Year 3 - Open Morning (Wednesday 25th January)

Year 7 - Visit to Centre of the Cell, London (Thursday 26th January)

ALL - Open Morning (Friday 27th January)

ALL - National Storytelling Week (Week commencing Monday 30th January)

Year 2 - Parents invited in for lunch (Week commencing Monday 30th January)

Year 3 - Parents' Evening (Tuesday 31st January and Thursday 2nd February)

Year 4 - Parents' Evening (Tuesday 31st January and Thursday 2nd February)

Year 8 - Parents' Evening (Tuesday 31st January)

Reception, Years 1 and 2 - Coffee Morning (Thursday 2nd February)

Happy Birthday

Many happy returns to the following children who have birthdays next week:

Oscar G-H (Year 4) - 9

Arthur J (Year 5) - 10

Alex D (Reception) - 5

Sophie K (Year 3) - 8

Ozzy U (Year 4) - 9

Gold Stars

10 Gold Stars

Isla B (Year 2)

Darcey B (Year 2)

15 Gold Stars

Thomas G (Year 1)

Sidney C-S (Year 1)

Jacob P (Year 1)

Finian B (Year 1)

Theo S (Year 2)

Ayla S (Year 2)

Dilara O (Year 2)

Mia P (Year 2)

20 Gold Stars

Rory B (Year 1), Catherine C (Year 2),

Fleur M (Year 2)



House Points

Pre-Prep House Points	
Fyson	10
Kingsley	13
School	12
Stanley	8

Reception Smiles

Joy B, Matteo T, George P, Rory M, Chloé M, Jacques N, Finn C, Hera S, Robyn V, Alfie L, Isobel C, Dominic F, Zoé G, Clara W, Aurelia C



Pre-Prep Weekly Stars

RAH: Jacques N

RSB: Ollie B

1JAV: Hukam T

1SLD: Finian B

2LAH: Alma E

2VMN: Callum M



Form (and Vice Captains)

Congratulations to the following children who have been elected Form and Vice Captains:

3HJ: Elizabeth G (Finlay S)

3PT: Evie L (Aaron A)

4SS: Grace P (Henry T)

4GJR: Joey A (Esmé D)

4GC: Isla J (Hugo S)

5NCD: Riley K (Maisie L)

5TLM: George T (Lilia N)

5CD: Azob C (Leela S)

5MJB: Grace H (Nathan O)

6OCU: Abigail S (James M)

6AER: Jessica B-F (Max H)

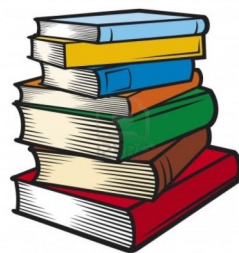
6AT: Grace H (Evan B)

6BCS: Angelina (Zen P)

6PRM: Samuel B (Charlton A)

Reading Images

We are creating a display about reading in unusual places. Thank you to those who have emailed images already. If you would like to participate, please email photographs to Ali Emmins (aemmins@yateleymanor.com)



Lunch Menu for Next Week

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Soup of the Day	Soup of the Day	Soup of the Day	Soup of the Day	Soup of the Day
Main Event	Sweet And sour Chicken with Peppers and Pineapple	Honey Glazed Gammon Yorkshire Pudding	Hand Made Chicken Nuggets BBQ Dip	Mac & Cheese	Breaded Pollock Lemon Tartare Sauce
Vegetarian Section	Vegetable Chow Main	Carrot and Spinach Quiche	Calzone Pizza with Cheese and Tomato	Basil Pesto Pasta	Quorn Nuggets
Sides	Stir Fried Vegetables Egg Fried Rice Prawn Crackers	Herb Roasted Potatoes Mixed Vegetables Gravy	Seasonal Wedges Baked Beans Buttered Sweetcorn Garlic Bread	Garlic Bread Bacon Bits Broccoli	Chips Peas Baked Beans
Extras	Daily Salad Selection Jacket Bar	Daily Salad Selection Jacket Bar	Daily Salad Selection Jacket Bar	Daily Salad Selection Jacket Bar	Daily Salad Selection Jacket Bar
Dessert	Dessert of the Day	Dessert of the Day	Dessert of the Day	Dessert of the Day	Dessert of the Day

FYMS Update

Happy New Year everyone!

Last night FYMS held their first meeting of the new year with the wider team and it was lovely to welcome a couple of new people too. The events we ran over Christmas (Winter Wonderland, wreath making, Prep discos and Nursery and Pre Prep Christmas parties) were all a huge success. We are just finalising the numbers and will be able to share with you in the next couple of weeks how much we raised. The good news is that we are still well on the way to having the new trim trail installed during the Summer holidays in 2023. Thank you once again to everyone who came and supported us and donated their time or expertise to us. We simply could not have done them without you.



Looking forward to the Spring and Summer terms, we have listened to feedback from parents and we have decided on a slightly revised calendar of events.



Friday 3rd February: Bags2School collection Please donate all your preloved clothes, shoes, accessories, sheets, pillowcases and towels and FYMS will receive 50p per kilo.

Friday 3rd March: FYMS Quiz Night This really is a great evening out. You can buy a table of 6 for £50 and this year we are running it on a 'Bring Your Own food and drink' basis. Tables go on sale tonight at 6pm via our [website](#). Why not make it a year group night out with multiple teams? Over 18s only. Open to all parents, teachers and friends.

Wednesday 22nd March: Whole School Easter Egg Hunt This year we wanted to treat all the children to an Easter Egg hunt. Nursery and Pre Prep will find hidden eggs around the garden and have a chance to meet the Easter Bunny. Prep children will have clues to work through, hidden around the school grounds to win an egg.

We have made the difficult decision to cancel the Colour Run. There were a number of factors that were considered including the increasing cost of running the event, the number of volunteers we would need and that the only available date fell on Mothers Day. We also felt that given Christmas was a very busy time for FYMS events and the Summer term will also have plenty going on, parents and children would benefit from a quieter term, finished off with a treat in the Easter Egg hunt. We would like to revisit this again with a view to running one in 2023/2024. An email will go out to all of those who purchased tickets this weekend outlining the options.

FYMS are already starting to plan the events for the Summer term. If you would like to be involved in the planning of the May Fair and/or the Years 6-8 party then please let your year group rep know or email us at fyms@mail.com. We had a great Christmas Fair planning team, with parents from across the school, and it was lovely to gain different insights and ideas. Plus we got to meet new people.

Hannah Wilson
Chair of FYMS

Dinosaur Kingdom

This week the children have been excited to be back at Nursery. As they set foot into the new term their room downstairs had transformed into a dinosaur kingdom. They have been making salt dough fossils, matching dinosaur shadows, counting giant footprints and making frozen dinosaur eggs.



In the 2-3's room the children have enjoyed being back and have learning all about themselves. They have been making portraits, looking at themselves in the mirror and exploring their likes and dislikes.



Wishing New Year Wands

In Reception, children wrote their wish for the year then made them into wands. Wishes included, *"I wish I could make a jelly everyday"*, *"I wish I was in Year 2 to be with my sister"* and *"I wish I could go to Spain with my family."*



Litter-picking

Year 2 have been litter-picking this week to introduce their new book in English about protecting the environment. They loved using the special 'grab and grip' devices and helping the local community at the same time.



Scott in Drama

This week as part of our cross-curricular work on The Polar Regions, the Year 3 children became explorers and re-enacted the expedition that Scott and his team pursued to The South Pole. They applied their drama skills and showed great empathy for the explorers and the struggles they faced.



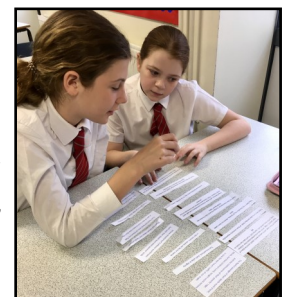
Changing States

In Year 4 the children conducted a fair test to identify what happens to solids such as ice, chocolate, wax crayon and butter when heated. They were able to make predictions and draw conclusions drawing upon their scientific vocabulary.



The Bard

In their English lessons this week, Year 6 have started their Shakespeare topic. They have been introduced to the Bard himself and have been looking at the central characters and themes in one of his most popular tragedies, 'Romeo and Juliet'. They showed tenacity and determination to solve the puzzle - as Shakespeare himself said, *'Things done well and with a care, exempt themselves from fear.'*



World War 1 Bottled Up

Year 8 have begun their studies of WW1 poetry, first Brooke and now on to Sassoon, complete with the smells of the First World War bottled up: chlorine, phosphene and mustard gas.





Staff Spotlight



Jon McDermott

IT Network Manager

An interview with our Captains of School: Isaac, Kayleigh and Rihaan

This is Mr McDermott; he has been at Yateley Manor for nearly 3 years. He is the IT Network Manager and helps all around the school. We have spent some time asking Mr McDermott some questions, and here are his responses.

If you had £1,000,000 what would you spend it on?

I would make sure that my family had enough for the future and then keep a bit for myself.

Which animal would you be and why?

I would be a Cheetah because I used to be a really fast runner, and I wish I could be the same again.

When you were a child what job did you want and why?

I wanted to become a professional footballer like every other child, or a train driver, (but I would be on strike at the moment!)

What food would you be and why? -

Cheese, I absolutely love cheese!"

How would you describe yourself in 3 words?

Caring, honest, straightforward.

Which football team do you support?

Leeds United

What is your favourite movie?

Back to the future.

What is your biggest fear?

Getting things wrong, especially at work!

If you could go anywhere on holiday for free, where would you go?

Hawaii, definitely Hawaii.

If you had a superpower what would it be?

Apart from superspeed, it would be flying.

Who is your idol?

My dad, because he is still going at his age, he is brilliant!

Images from the Week

