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Next Week's Diary

MONDAY

5.00pm Reading Workshop for Parents

of Children in Years 3 & 4

TUFSDAY

1.30pm Health and Safety Meeting

THURSDAY

11.30am Sports Council Meeting4.00pm Governors' Meeting

5.00pm Parents' Evening for Reception,

Year 1 and Year 2

5.00pm Year 7 Parent/Pupil Counsels

FRIDAY

9.00am Virtual Whole School Harvest

Festival

After School Clubs

After school clubs and minibuses are running next week except:

Monday: Years 3 and 4 Puzzles and Board Games

Thursday: Years 5 and 6 Gymnastics, Open

Hockey, Strategy Games

World Mental Health Day Friday 9th October Wear A Yellow Accessory

Saturday 10th October is World Mental Health Day and at school we will be marking the occasion by covering the topic of mental health in PSHE lessons during the week.

On Friday 9th October, the same day as Harvest Festival, children are invited to come to school wearing a yellow accessory for example a yellow tie, scarf, socks or hat. Other than this accessory normal uniform should be worn.

Year 5's Geography Field Walk

Year 5 spent an enjoyable morning on Yateley Common on Thursday. They used maps and compasses to complete an orienteering exercise which helped them put into practice the map skills they have been learning about in Geography. The children followed a nature trail and en route learnt about the way the Common is managed to encourage a diversity of wildlife that live in the woodland and heathland habitats.

The children also completed brass rubbings along the way and, as no one got lost, clearly demonstrated great map reading skills.



Let's Celebrate Diversity

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

Gaius Julius Phaedrus was a 1st-century Roman fabulist and the first to write a collection of Aesop's fables in Latin. He once said, "Things are not always what they seem; the first appearance deceives many; the intelligence of a few perceives what has been carefully hidden."

What drives the way we think and our perceptions of others



when we meet them? When we consider differences we use certain vocabulary and language. Specifically the words prejudice, discrimination, stereotyping and bias are elements that can drive our emotions, thinking and behaviour.

To read the rest of this article click here.

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

Headmaster's Commendations

Geography – Types of Rock Poster: Isabel Arnold, Marcus Cross, Eloise Macoraghty-Mines, Sam Summers

Pre-Prep Awards

Reception Smiles

Valentina Alexander, Will Cater, Rupert Greensides, Callum McClean, Fleur Middleditch, Maggie Sanderson, Theo Sutton

Winter Uniform

A reminder that winter uniform should be worn by all children when they return from half term on Monday, 2nd November.

Virtual Reading Workshop for Parents of Children in

Years 3 & 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 workshop is to explain how reading will be covered in school and how you can support your child at home.

Parents were emailed a link to the workshop on Friday. If you have not received your email please contact Penny Charles.

Maths Workshop for Parents of Children in Years 3 & 4

The next event in our series of virtual maths workshops is for parents of children in Years 3 and 4. It will take place on Tuesday 17th November, starting at 5.00pm.

The aim of the workshop is to discuss how to support effectively your child at home and suggest ideas for keeping maths interesting and relevant to everyday life. A link to the workshop will be sent out to parents the day before the event.

Year 3 St Peter's Church Visit

St Peter's Church Yateley have informed us that their current visiting policy will not allow Year 3 to visit the church on 14th October as planned. We apologise for the disappointment.

House Points and Bonuses

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

Bonus Point Winner: Stanley
House Point Winner: Kingsley
Overall Winner: Stanley

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory

Auditions for *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*, which are open to all children in Years 5 and 6, continue next week. Please note that Thursday 8th October is the final opportunity to audition:

Monday 5th October 4.20pm - 5.20pm Manor Place Hall

Tuesday 6th October 1.30pm - 2.00pm Asimov Thursday 8th October 1.30pm - 2.00pm Asimov

Thursday 8th October 4.20pm - 5.20pm Manor Place Hall

Details of the play can be found on the Drama Notice Board, outside The Hub, near Manor Court. Anyone wishing to audition should sign up on the notice board for the parts that interest them and collect an audition script from Mrs Brundle.

LAMDA Exams

The LAMDA exams dates have now been confirmed for the children who did LAMDA last academic year and whose exams were cancelled during the summer. These children have now been formally entered for their chosen exam and these will take place on either Monday 9th November or Tuesday 10th November.

Parents will receive a letter by email early next week giving their child's exam date and time. The letter includes some other very important information.

Please look out for this letter and contact <u>Penny Charles</u> if your child is expecting to take an exam and you do not receive a letter.

Individual Photographs

We have now rebooked our school photographer for Tuesday 17th November. He will come into school for just one day to take individual photographs of all the children. He will remain socially distanced from the children and only school staff will help ensure that the children look neat and tidy for their photograph.

We are, unfortunately, unable to offer parents the opportunity to have sibling group photographs this year as it would cause cross bubble movement which is against our risk assessments. We are sorry that we cannot offer this option but are pleased that we have found a way to have the photographs taken safely.

Due to complications caused by the current restrictions our photographer has altered the way that photographs are ordered. There will be on-line ordering only. The new method means that we are no longer able to have the school logo on photographs but it also means that parents will have more pack options from which to select and also that they can mix and match photos within a pack.

Happy Birthday

Will Cater 5
Ellie Chapman 7
Eta Chick 9
Thomas Gasser 8
Jamal Idowu-Fearon 6
Brodie Innes 6
Sylvie Jones 6
Isaac Neville 11
Toby Sherwin 11
Rose Symcox 7



Half Term Holiday Club and Extended Nursery Provision

The Yateley Manor Holiday Club and Extended Nursery Provision will both be open during half term between Monday 19th October and Friday 23rd October and again between Monday 26th October and Friday 30th October.

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

Booking for these dates is now open.

Visit the holiday club page of the school website to book.

Year 6 and Year 8 Revision Guide Booklet

Year 6 and Year 8 pupils will be given exam revision guide booklets during the week before half term.

Please check that your child brings their copy home. A few spares will be available from School Reception.

Year 7 French Trip

We were incredibly sad to have to postpone the Year 7 trip to Normandy which was due to have taken place this week.

We are now really pleased to inform parents (and children) that we have booked for the current Year 7 to go to Normandy this time next year at the same time as the next year's Year 7. It is an excellent trip and we are really glad that the children will get the opportunity to go.

Lost Property

Rex Macoraghty-Mines (3GJR) has lost his Swatch watch. It is mostly blue and orange with dinosaurs on the strap. James Stuart-King (5NCD) has lost two named school jumpers. If you have seen these items please let the owner or Matron know. Thank you.

FYMS

Virtual Quiz - Reminder Just a reminder to register for our first virtual quiz on Saturday 10th October at 8pm.To book your team in and receive the joining instructions, please submit your team's £5 joining fee to our PayPal account: fymsdonations@gmail.com. If you have any questions, please let us know by emailing fyms@mail.com

Bags 2 School Reminder: Please do not forget our Bags 2 School day on Monday 12th October. Drop off will be at the FYMS garage behind the Nursery from 8.00am – 9.00am and from 3.30pm – 5.30pm. We can take old clothes (adult and children), paired shoes, hats, belts and handbags in bin bags. It is a great way for you to get rid of any excess clothes and de-clutter your homes.

Christmas Fair Sadly we cannot hold our normal Christmas Fair this year due to restrictions. We are, however, contemplating holding a virtual shopping experience. Please can you help us decide whether this would be something that you would be interested in by filling in our quick poll using the following link: https://www.facebook.com/groups/friendsofvateleymanor

Second Hand Uniform Sale Save the date! On the 28th November we will be holding a 2nd hand uniform sale in the Fyson Blum Hall from 10.00am-2.00pm. It will be very similar to how 2nd hand uniform is run through the school shop but on a much larger scale and will offer parents the opportunity to see all of the uniform before purchasing.

Due to restrictions that will probably still be in place it will be very likely that we will operate an appointment schedule but in the interim, please save the date and any uniform you may wish to sell.

Whole School Harvest Festival

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.

Next Week's Menu

PALMER & HOWELLS

Yateley Manor School					
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
Chicken Stroganoff	Slow Roasted Pork Loin and Apple Sauce	Beef Bolognese	Spiced Chicken Taco	Sweet & Sour Pork Shoulder	
Curried Roasted Cauliflower	Roasted Vegetable Roly Poly	Fire Scorched Vegetable Lasagne	Tofu Taco	Red Pepper Frittata	
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	
Brown Rice Roasted Vegetables Sour Cream	Herb Roasted Potato Seasonal Vegetable Gravy	Pasta House Garlic Bread Seasonal Vegetable	Smoked Pepper & Onion Corn On The Cob Sweet Potatoes Wedges	Yateley Fried Rice Carrot Batons Steamed Broccoli	
Salad Bar	Salad Bar	Salad Bar	Salad Bar	Salad Bar	
Dessert of the day	Dessert of the day	Dessert of the day	Dessert of the day	Dessert of the day	
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	Freshly Baked Bread, Seaso	PALMER & HOWELLS	Yoghurt are available daily	10	
		Independent School Caterers			

A Look at Life in Years 7 and 8

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>.

Years 5 and 6 STEM Club

This week, Year 5 and Year 6 STEM club pupils were tasked with trying to construct bird nests without using any conventional glues, string or tape. They collected a suitable range of small twigs from the Woodland Learning area and then got to work in Da Vinci classroom to try and build a nest that could be picked up in one hand without it falling apart.

This proved a very tricky assignment indeed but Anya and Thea were very successful in interlocking the twigs together and producing a most pleasing nest capable of holding a clutch of eggs. Well done everybody!



Reception's Book Trust Gift

Reception children received a free gift from the Book Trust, the UK's largest children's reading charity, which is dedicated



to getting children reading. The children were enthralled by 'The Runaway Pea' a fantastic story by Kjartan Poskitt illustrated by Alex Willmore in which one pesky pea decided to ping himself off the plate in search of a party! With a twist in the ending the children were spellbound by the story and excited to have their very own copy to take home!

Year 2's South America Tour

In the next stage of their world tour the Year 2 children had a visitor who flew here all the way from South America! Mr Santino! What an entertaining and informative way to learn about this spectacular continent. They loved following Blue, the bird, across the continent to discover animals, landmarks and carnivals. Thank you Mr Santino.



Years 5 & 6 Football League

	Position	Played	Won	Lost	Draw	GF	GA	GD	PTS
Bayern Munich	1	6	5	1	0	20	8	+12	15
Real Madrid	2	6	4	1	1	15	13	+2	13
Tottenham	3	6	4	2	0	15	6	+9	12
Liverpool	4	6	3	2	1	9	9	0	10
Silverbacks	5	6	2	3	1	8	14	-6	7
Wolves FC	6	6	1	3	2	9	14	-5	5
Cheetah FC	7	6	1	4	1	7	11	-4	4
Panthers FC	8	6	0	4	2	5	13	-8	2

Results

Round 3		<u>Round 4</u>	Round 4			
Liverpool 1	Cheetah FC 0	Panthers FC 1	Liverpool 2			
Tottenham 2	Panthers FC 1	Wolves FC 1	Tottenham 4			
Real Madrid 2	Silverbacks 1	Cheetah FC 2	Real Madrid 3			
Bayern Munich 3	Wolves FC 1	Silverbacks 0	Bayern Munich 6			

Years 3 & 4 Football League

Unfortunately due to the weather this week's Years 3 and 4 football league fixtures were postponed. Instead the children took part in fun and active sessions during the afternoon. The Year 3 boys and girls were in the Fyson Blum Hall doing plenty of running, jumping and strength and conditioning exercises before being put into six teams for some round robin uni-hoc action. The effort levels were great. The Year 4s swam and played dodgeball and also had an excellent afternoon. There were lots of PBs swum in the pool. Well done everyone.