



Prep School Parent Portal Communication Calendar Events Friday 10th November 2017

Please find on the portal:

- Progress Grades are now available to view on the portal for Year 3,4,6.
- Year 5 Reports will be available in due course.

Remembrance Service

We held our Remembrance assembly today in honour of all the soldiers that have been injured or killed fighting for their country. A two-minute silence was observed during the service, and all boys were impeccably behaved.

We wish to thank Reverend Brandon and boys from the senior school who demonstrated a truly moving and wonderful service. Thank you to all boys who purchased a poppy to mark Armistice Day on Sunday 11th November.

Chess

Wednesday of this week saw the first round of the Barnet Chess League take place. HABS Prep have been taking part in this competition for several years, and this year we were joined by representatives of the girls' school as well. I am pleased to say that once again the boys have performed brilliantly within the first division, making it through to the second round.

Eight boys competed: Savin Dias, Kian Shah, Aran Patel, Maanav Nagda, Dharmik Vyas, Bruno Zheng, Ruwan Dias, and Alex Cham. As a team, the boys played some fantastic chess, securing first place as they move onto the next round.

I am sure you will all join me in congratulating the boys and wishing them the best of luck in the next stage of the competition.

Charity Update

We wish to thank all boys who participated in the recent sponsored read. I am delighted to inform you over £3350.00 was raised. We look forward to sharing any further news from Rose-Mary our representative.

Routine Reminders:

10 Minute Rule in the Prep School

Now the darker afternoons are here please help us to ensure your son is safe by reminding him about the 10 minute rule, which is no child should remain on his own or in an area in the car park or another section of the school (i.e. Music School) for longer than 10 minutes.

He should come back to the Prep School where a member of staff is always on duty and will make the appropriate communication.

Boys in Year 3 and 4 must be collected from the Prep school if parents are late, or your son has attended an afterschool activity. Boys are not allowed to walk down to the Girls' school car park unaccompanied.

Boys in Year 5 and 6 do have permission to walk unaccompanied to the Girls' school car park to meet their parent/carer who maybe late to collect or has attended an afterschool activity.

Road Safety

As the afternoons grow darker, please speak with your children about their personal safety:

- Don't use mobiles to talk or text and turn off music while crossing the road
- Give the road your full attention while you're crossing, even with a group of friends
- Look out for your friends' safety too.
- Allow coaches to depart before crossing to give you a clear view of the road.
- Don't take any chances when you're crossing - cars may not be able to stop in time.
- Pedestrian crossings aren't just for young children, they keep everybody safe.

If you are parking at the Girls' school please ensure you park up, and get out of the car to meet with your son. Do not allow son to jump into your car whilst you are driving up to meet him, as this is extremely dangerous.

Poor Weather Arrangements

In the event of bad weather, the schools will remain open whenever possible and parents are asked to make every endeavour to get their sons to school each day. Coach drivers are urged to make every effort to reach the schools, trying alternative routes where necessary.

However, if the schools have to close, parents should be aware of the following:

A message will be placed on the schools' website as soon as a decision to close is taken.

An SMS message will be sent to your mobile phone to alert you.

Please check the website regularly in the event of bad weather. Please try not to telephone the school as we must keep the lines clear for urgent messages from the coach stewards.

The default setting unless shown otherwise on the school website is that the school is open.

Kit

We recommend that boys wear a tracksuit, skins and gloves during the winter months. On our return in January as it is the football term, we insist all boys wear shin pads as this is an essential part of their kit. Moulded studs and rugby studs are suitable footwear for the football term.

Week Commencing - Monday 13th November 2017	
Monday 13 th November	Year 6 Parents Information morning (Aske Hall) 9.15 am - 11.00 am U10 Rugby (A-C) v Bedford Modern (Home) @ 2.45 pm
Wednesday 15 th November	Parent/Teacher Consultation Evening (years 3,4,6) 4.30 - 7.30 pm (New online system is now in operation)
Thursday 16 th November	U8 Rugby (A-E) v Merchant Taylors (Home) @ 2.30 pm
Friday 17 th November	U11 Hockey (A-B) v UCS (Home) @ 2.45 pm
Saturday 18 th November	U9,U10,U11 Rugby (A-B) v UCS (Home) @ 10.00 am

Week Commencing - Monday 20th November 2017	
Monday 20th November	
Tuesday 21 st November	U9 Rugby (A-C) v St Johns (Home - 2.15 pm)
Wednesday 22 nd November	
Thursday 23 rd November	Science Quiz Competition - Avon House School - London (Year 5/6 boys - 8 boys in total) Parent/Teacher Consultation Evening (years 3,4,6) 4.30 - 7.30 pm (New online system is now in operation)
Friday 24 th November	U11 Rugby (A) v Merchant Taylor (away - floodlit) - 6.00 pm
Saturday 25 th November	U9,U10,U11 Rugby (A-B) v Berkhamsted (Home) @ 2.30 pm