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# **Next Week's Diary**

### SATURDAY

Open Morning for Prospective Parents

#### MONDAY

Primary Maths Challenge for

6Ca and 5Ca

Common Entrance Pre-Tests

**10.45am** Remembrance Assembly for

Years 1 to 8

#### TUESDAY

Year 8 to Imperial War Museum,

London

5.00pm Year 3 Parents' Evening5.00pm Year 4 Parents' Evening6.00pm Music Recital for Non Exam

**Pupils** 

#### WEDNESDAY

Common Entrance Pre-Tests

#### THURSDAY

Year 6 to 'We the Curious',

Bristol (leaving 8.45am)

7.00pm Choosing Your Next School Talk

for Parents

#### FRIDAY

Children in Need Day

**8.50am** Year 7's Year Assembly (parents

invited)

11.30am Food Committee Meeting

### After School Clubs

After school clubs and coaches are running next week except:

Thursday: Years 3 to 8 STEM club

Friday: Pre-Prep Chess and Open Chess

(due to chess match)

# Yateley Manor Award

Many congratulations to **Sian Louw** who has achieved her Yateley Manor Bronze Award

# It's Staff Panto Time - Oh Yes It Is!

The Yateley Manor staff have been working hard, secretly rehearsing a staff pantomime, *Once Upon a Time*, which they will perform at the end of term. Children will see the show during school time but we know from experience that many will want to see it again and bring their parents to join in the fun!

The show will also be performed on Thursday 12th December at 5.00pm and at 7.30pm for parents, families and pupils who would like to see it again.

Tickets are strictly limited and will be sold on a first come first served basis with all profits going to this year's Charity of the Year. Ticket prices will be £5.00 for adults and £3.00 for children with family tickets priced at £15.00. Tickets will be available from School Reception from Monday 18th November. Ticket requests must be accompanied by full payment. If you are sending your child to buy tickets please send them with a cheque payable to Yateley Manor School rather than cash.

# If (inner strength)

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

The poem "If" by Rudyard Kipling is written in the form of paternal advice to the poet's son, John. It evokes a feeling of Victorian-era stoicism—the "stiff upper lip" self-discipline, which popular culture rendered into a British national virtue and character trait. "If" remains a cultural touchstone. It opens with the lines:

"If you can keep your head when all about you

Are losing theirs and blaming it on you..."

To read the rest of this article and the Headmaster's other blog posts visit the website.

# Children in Need - Friday 15th November

Friday, 15th November, is Children in Need Day and we will again be supporting this excellent charity. Children should wear their school uniform as usual on this day but may replace their school tie with a fun, colourful tie. Children may also accessorise their school uniform with any Pudsey accessories i.e ears, scarf, eye patch or other Pudsey merchandise.

In return we ask that the children bring in a donation of £2.00.

# Photograph Orders

Individual and sibling photo proof envelopes were sent home with children at the beginning of the week. Sibling group photos were sent home with the oldest child.

Once again this year there are two photographs and several pack options from which you can choose. Orders can be placed online using the unique user name and password found on the proof pack. Alternatively, complete the order form in the pack and return it with your payment to School Reception by **5.30pm on Thursday 14th November**. Cheques should be made payable to PPI Ltd.

Photographs ordered by **14th November** will be returned to school in time for Christmas.

# Headmaster's Commendations

Geography - Fieldwork Project: Maisie Rice

Diwali Lamp: Joey Alexander, Jake Brown

# Pre-Prep Awards

Reception Smiles

Darcy Cornish, Joan Dunstan, Jamal Idowu-Fearon, Arthur Jones, Sylvie Jones, Abigail Kidman, Devansh Kumar, Evie Lee, Lucius Li, Zach Mockett, Viraj Sahajpal

# Year 7 Assembly

The first class assembly of the year, for Year 7, will take place on Friday 15th November.

Year 7 parents are invited to the assembly and coffee afterwards in The Hub.

# Choosing Your Child's Next School Talk

On Thursday 14th November Robert Upton will be speaking and giving advice on how to choose your child's next school. He will also answer questions from the floor.

The meeting, which will start at 7.00pm and will last for approximately an hour, is aimed particularly at those with children in Years 4 and 5, but is open to all parents. Parents in the past have found this meeting very useful as they begin to consider options for education after Yateley Manor.

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

# Maths Workshops for Parents of Years 3 and 4

The next event in our series of maths workshops is for parents of children in Years 3 and 4. It will take place on Tuesday 19th November, starting at 4.45pm and last approximately 45 minutes.

The aim of these workshops is to discuss how to better support your child at home and suggest ideas for keeping maths interesting and relevant to everyday life.

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

# House Points and Bonuses

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

Bonus Point Winner: School

House Point Winner: Fyson/School/Stanley

Overall Winner: Fyson/School

### Car Park Reminder

With the evenings drawing in, it is now dark when clubs finish at 5.25pm. We therefore ask that parents collect all Prep children from outside Manor Court. Please do not ask your child to cross the car park to reach you. When you do cross the car park please use the raised crossing points.

Parents are also reminded to drive through the car park slowly. Thank you.

# Friends of Yateley Manor School (FYMS)

The School is extremely fortunate to have such an active, supportive and friendly parent teacher association known as FYMS (Friends of Yateley Manor School).

FYMS organises a number of really enjoyable events through the year for both parents and children and, at the same time, helps raise money to fund extra activities or equipment for the school. This year's events for parents include a very popular Quiz Night, the Christmas Fayre and the ever popular May Fair. FYMS also organise the end of term discos for Years 3 to 8, the Pre-Prep Easter Egg Hunt and Nursery and Pre-Prep Christmas Parties.

FYMS also has a very social element to it and it is the perfect way to meet other parents and families. They are always looking for new members and this is a great time to join. Becoming part of the Committee does not commit you to giving a lot of time (unless you want to). Each event is run by a sub-committee so no one has too heavy a burden and everyone can enjoy being part of a team. If you would like to find out more, contact FYMS@mail.com.

FYMS would be delighted to welcome you to their AGM on Tuesday 19th November. It will be held in The Hub at 7.30pm. Come along, join them for a drink and find out what plans the FYMS have for this year and beyond.

# **Bags 2 Schools**

Bags were sent home this week for the FYMS Bags 2 School textile collection which will take place on the morning of Friday 22nd November. FYMS receive money for all donations of adults' and children's clothing, shoes (tied together please), hats, belts, handbags and soft toys. Members of FYMS will be in school to recieve donations on the day. Please do not bring in bags before Friday 22nd as we are not able to store them.

# Early Years Declaration Form

If your child was born between 1st January 2015 and 31st December 2016 you should have received the Hampshire County Council Early Years Education Parent Declaration form in order to claim the Early Years Funding entitlement for the Spring 2020 term (subject to the conditions on the form). This form, along with the guidance notes, can also be found on the school website.

If you have not already done so, please complete and return the Parent Declaration form, with the Nursery Session form (if applicable), to the school office as soon as possible but no later than Monday 11th November 2019 to ensure your account is prepared correctly for next term. Thank you.

### Congratulations to ...

Eloise Macoraghty-Mines (6PD) who, has been invited by Rushmoor Royals to move from the Gold Academy to the Competitive Development Squad. This is a fantastic achievement as Eloise only moved to the Gold Academy at the start of August - Congratulations Eloise.

**George Jacobs (6TLM)** has been presented with his Silver Scout Award, which is the highest award a Cub Scout can receive. Very well done **George**.

### **Happy Birthday**

Reuben Baxter 9 Darcy Cornish 5 Ted Cranwell 4 Louis Raven 9 Maisie Rice 13 Joe Spradbery 11



### Claire Danson

Claire Danson was a pupil at Yateley Manor and returned to us a few years later as a gap student. Claire became a GB triathlete, winning the 30-34 age category at the European Championships this June.

Two months ago she had a terrible cycling accident in which she suffered a catalogue of horrendous injuries including fracturing vertebrae in her back and neck. Sadly Claire is now paralysed from T9 down. She is now determined to become a paraathlete and compete again. "Whilst I still have hard moments, I have accepted the situation I am now in and won't be letting it stop me do anything that I want to [including triathlon!]".

Claire has decided to share her story, the highs and lows, and would like people to follow her to learn about spinal injuries. As she says "This world is so new to me I want to help educate others as to what it is like and what it involves."

Claire's courage and resilience are incredibly inspiring. She wrote she wants people to "remember that I am still exactly the same person. I still have crazy hair and a mad laugh, I am still the clumsiest person you have met and I will still tell the most long winded yet entertaining stories. So please treat me as the same old Claire."

Please follow <u>Claire on Instagram</u> as she documents her journey. Her sister Alex has also set up a <u>gofundme page</u> for her.

# Friends of Yateley Manor School Corner

**FYMS Mufti Day:** The FYMS Mufti Day in aid of the Christmas Fayre will take place on Friday 22nd November. Children may wear their own clothes to school on that day in exchange for donations of something chocolatey for the Fayre's chocolate tombola. FYMS members will be outside school on the day to collect donations.

Christmas Fayre: We hope you are getting as excited as the FYMS committee about the forthcoming Christmas Fayre on Saturday 30th November from 12pm-3pm. We have a fabulous range of stalls in our Christmas Market from skincare to candles, Lego figurines to sweet treats, it's THE place to stock up on goodies for the festive season. Santa will be joining us in the Grotto to check whose been naughty or nice. Back by popular demand we will have an arts and crafts zone in the Gym for younger ones to get creative with colouring in, biscuit decorating, enjoy face painting and even write that important letter to Father Christmas while for older children there will be a number of fun activities to enjoy. Our wonderful choirs will be performing in the Drama Studio throughout the afternoon (see below for timings) to get everyone in the Christmas spirit and to warm hungry tummies, we will also be serving hotdogs and drinks in the Fyson Blum Hall.

**Plea for volunteers:** The Christmas Fayre takes a huge amount of organising to ensure that it runs smoothly on the day and we would be very grateful if any parent (or grandparent) would be able to spare some time to help with the event. We need help on the 29th November from 6.00 - 10.00pm and on the 30th November from 8.00am - 12.00 noon for set up. We also need volunteers throughout the Fayre to help on FYMS stalls, in the arts and crafts zone and in the kitchen. Lastly we always need help clearing up after the Fayre has finished so from approx 3.00 - 6.00pm. If you can spare even one hour FYMS would be extremely grateful. Please email <a href="Matalie.harris-briggs@avocor.com">Natalie.harris-briggs@avocor.com</a> if you are able to give us some of your time.

### Choirs at FYMS Christmas Fayre

The School choirs will be singing at the Christmas Fayre. Timings will be as follows:

#### Pre Prep Choir

12.00 noon Rehearsal in the Music School
12.30pm Performance in the Studio

Junior and Senior Manor Singers from Years 3, 5 and 8

1.00m Rehearsal in the Music School
1.30pm Performance in the Studio

<u>Junior and Senior Manor Singers from Years 4, 6 and 7</u>
2.00pm
Rehearsal in the Music School
2.30pm
Performance in the Studio

We look forward to hearing them sing a selection of Christmas Carols and songs and filling everyone with the Christmas spirit.



### LUNCHTIME MENU: AUTUMN TERM

WEEK 9 w/c 11th Noveember



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
SOUP	Carrot & Corlander	Broccoli & Cheese	Roasted Tomato	Roasted Butternut Squash	Parsnip and Ginger
MAIN COURSE	Caribbean Chicken Curry	Honey Roasted Gammon	Chicken Lasagne with Crispy Garlic Ciabatta	Chilli Beef Tacos, Guacamole and Soured Cream	Breaded Fish with Lemon Mayo
VEGETARIAN OPTION	Sweet Potato, Aubergine and Spinach Moussaka	Cauliflower Cheese Bake with Garlic Crumb	Spiced Chickpea and Cauliflower Jalfrezi Mini Poppadum & Rice	Vegetable Paella	Falafel Burger in a Brioche Bun
SIDES	Steamed Rice Roast Cauliflower with Pumpkin Seed Pesto Carrots	Baby Roast Potatoes Carrots, Courgettes	Broccoli Crudities	Braised Rice Green Beans Sweetcorn	Chunky Chips Baked Beans Garden Peas
DESSERTS	Cheddar Cheese and Biscuits	Chocolate Fudge Brownie	Chocolate and Orange Cookies	Banoffee Pie	Chocolate Ripple Sponge & Custard
AVAILABLE DAILY	Jacket Potatoes and Fillings, Salad Bar Cut Fresh Fruit and Homemade Yoghurt with Assorted Fruit Toppings				

Next	Next week's fixture list			
Monday	4.30pm <b>Basketball</b> v Court Moor School U13 <b>Home</b>			
	4.30pm National School U19 <b>Chess</b> Competition Yateley Manor B v St Catherine's, Bramley <b>Home</b>			
Wednesday	2.15pm <b>Hockey</b> v Twyford U13A & U13B (back to back) <b>Away</b> (coach leaves 1.20pm & returns 5.15pm)			
	2.30pm <b>Football</b> v Twyford and Luckley House 1st XI & 2nd XI <b>Home</b>			
	2.30pm Football v St Edward's Prep, Reading U11A Home, U11B & U11C Away at Sulhampstead Cricket Club (coach			
	leaves 1.20pm & returns 5.30pm)			
	2.30pm Football v Twyford and Princes Mead U10A, U10B, U10C & U10D Away at Twyford (coach leaves 1.20pm &			
	returns 5.30pm)			
	2.45pm <b>Hockey</b> v The Abbey U11A & U11B <b>Home at Eversley</b> (coach leaves 2.15pm & returns 4.30pm)			
	3.45pm <b>Hockey</b> v The Abbey two U10 teams <b>Away</b> at the Senior School (coach leaves 3.00pm & returns 5.30pm)			
Friday	4.30pm National School U19 <b>Chess</b> Competition Yateley Manor C v Tormead <b>Away</b> (coach leaves 3.30pm & returns			
	6.30pm)			

### **Matches This Week**

The U12 basketball team had two fantastic results this week beating local rivals Holme Grange and Papplewick in style.

As the end of the hockey season approaches the girls had a successful set of matches this week against St Neot's School winning five of their six matches.

The boys had a more mixed week with the U13s beating Pangbourne College 18 - 1 but with the younger teams struggling against the strong St Piran's boys.

Reports on all these matches can be found here.

Reports on all of this Friday's junior fixtures will be in next week's INAMOS.

### Hats and Scarves

With the colder weather upon us we would like to remind parents that children's hats, scarves and gloves should be plain navy blue for all children. Football club scarves and hats and those with animal heads are not permitted. The school shop stocks navy hats, gloves and scarves.

# Swimming Gala

Please note that the swimming gala scheduled to take place on 28th November has been postponed until next term.

# **Holiday Care**

The Yateley Manor Holiday Club and Extended Nursery Provision will both be open during the Christmas holidays between 16th and 20th December.

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

Booking for both is now open for the Christmas week. <u>Visit the holiday club</u> page of the school website to book.

# **Rugby Season**

Rugby lessons will start the week beginning Monday 25th November for all boys.

<u>Footwear:</u> Under the laws of the game, all players must wear approved footwear which includes boots fitted with rugby safety studs, moulded blades or blades (except Adidas metal tipped blades). Removable rugby safety studs are obtainable from the school shop (50p each or £5.50 for a bag of 12) and all good sports shops.

NB This does not apply to Years 1, 2 and 3 as they will be playing touch rugby. Years 1 and 2 will play in their trainers.

<u>Gum Shields:</u> It is recommended by RFU that mouth guards be worn as well. Children without a gum shield will not be able to represent the school in any teams and will only have limited access to elements of training sessions during lessons. We would suggest that all boys from Year 3 upwards should have two gum shields. One of these will be looked after by the boys along with their other games kit and the second will be looked after by the Sports Department in case they lose their personal one. The second gum shield can be the cheaper, boil and fit ones, which are available from sports shops.

# Year 5's Victorian Day

Year 5 will be taking part in a Victorian Day at school on Thursday 21st November. To help them to get into character we would like them to come to school in simple Victorian costume. A letter giving simple costume ideas was sent home with the children before half term.

Year 5 will be visited by professional actor, Chris Connaughton, who through performing extracts from Charles Dickens' novels will help the children understand what life could be like for a child in Victorian Britain. The children will then use their drama skills to put together a Victorian scene.

Year 5 Parents are invited to come to the Studio at the end of the day to see what the children have achieved. We are looking forward to an exciting and stimulating day of history and drama.

# **Christmas Present Appeal**

As part of our run-up to Christmas, we are again supporting the Salvation Army's Christmas Present Appeal which distributes gifts to disadvantaged children within the local community. As usual, we will be collecting shoe boxes filled with gifts and would be grateful for donations. Full guidelines to help you create a gift box can be found here

Completed boxes should be delivered to School Reception by Wednesday 4th December as a representative from the Salvation Army will collect all gifts in the following week.

With your help, hopefully we can collect even more boxes than we did last year and help children who are less fortunate than our pupils to have an enjoyable Christmas.

Thank you very much for your support with this appeal.