

# INAMOS

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# Next Week's Diary

### MONDAY

5.00pm	Years 3 & 4 Parents' Evenings
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### TUESDAY

	Common Pre-Tests for some Children
10.30am 6.00pm	School Council Meeting Autumn Music Recital (see below)

### WEDNESDAY

7.00pm	No Ceiling on Learning - Years
	7 & 8 Curriculum Explored

## THURSDAY

Common Pre-Tests for some Children Year 8 to The Imperial War Museum Virtual Choosing Your Next School Talk for Parents

### FRIDAY

7.00pm

Children in Need Day (see below)

# After School Clubs

After school clubs and coaches are running next week except:

**Monday:** Years 3 and 4 Puzzles, Years 3 and 4 STEM Club (due to parents' evening)

**Thursday :** Year 1 Swimming Club (due to the swimming gala), Gymnastics, Strategy Games (due to the Year 8 trip)

# New Wednesday Club

Please note that a new after school table tennis club will be run by Mr Santino on Wednesdays from next week. The club will be open to children from Year 3 upwards.

# Remembrance

Our Remembrance Service took place in beautiful autumn sunshine outside on the Headmaster's Lawn. It was lovely to be able to have all the year groups from Nursery upwards come together to remember and honour those who lost their lives in

conflict.

The children, were all so respectful during the two minute silence and throughout the service.

"We will Remember Them".



# Remembrance Day - Creating New Memories from the Old?

This week's blog post is a guest post by Head of History and RS, Neil Davis. The following is a taster:

On the 6th June 2021 in the small and unassuming town of Ver-sur-Mer, and in front of a small but distinguished audience, the British Normandy Memorial was officially opened. It records the names of the 22,442 people who were killed on D-Day and at the Battle of Normandy. Seventy-seven years to the day and at a cost of £30 million, Paul Harris, grandson of Private George Hanks who



fought that day, reflected that finally, his memory has been preserved.

To read the rest of this article click here.

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

# Yateley Manor Award

Many congratulations to Luca Norris who has achieved his Yateley Manor Gold Award.

# **Music Recitals**

This term we will be holding two smaller music recitals, the first next Tuesday, 16th November and the second the following Tuesday, 23rd November. Invitations to the second recital will be emailed home early next week.

# Children in Need - Friday 19th November

Friday, 19th 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.

# Headmaster's Commendations

Science - Rock Detective Work: Albert Bilcliff, India Gillett, Anushka Lal, Niamh Lumpkin, Phoebe Pickup, Hugo Sandy, Niryan Toor, Ozzy Upfold

Amazing and Thoughtful Acrostic Poem about Remembrance Day: Finlay Shearer, Annabel Barnes, Saina Patre

# **Pre-Prep Awards**

*10 Star Certificate:* Valentina Alexander, Will Cater, Dilara Owen, Ruby Porter

15 Star Certificate: Aaron Ade, Carry Milligan Croisdale-Appleby

20 Star Certificate: Evie Lee

Reception Smiles: Aaron Bailie, Finnley Connor, Beau Sandy, Hukam Toor

Stars of the Week

RAH:	Adelia Simoes Da Silva
RSB:	Austin Pickup
1JAV:	Pip Mason
1SLD:	Rupert Greensides
2GHC:	Abigail Kidman
2LAH:	Caitlyn Nica

# Photograph Orders

Individual and sibling photographs that were ordered by 24th October have now arrived in school. If your child is in Years 4 to 8 please collect your order from school Reception. Photographs may still be ordered but parents will now have to pay postage on their orders.

# Maths Workshops for Parents of Years 3 and 4

The Maths workshops for parents of children in Years 3 and 4 scheduled for 24th November has been postponed in the hope that we will be able to invite parents into school for the event next term.

# 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.

Parents are also reminded to drive through the car park slowly and to **turn left** out of the car park. Thank you.

# House Points and Bonuses

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

Prep Bonus Point Winner:StanleyPrep House Point Winner:KingsleyPrep Overall Winner:StanleyPre-Prep House Point Winner:Kingsley

# Year 5 Homework

At the start of this academic year, children in Year 5 were set two homework tasks each week, English on Tuesdays and Maths on Thursdays.

This half term, French (Monday) and Science (Friday) have been added to the schedule and the current homework timetable (ie English, Maths, Science and French) will be in operation for the rest of the academic year.

We introduced this phased homework pattern a couple of years ago to ease the transition from Year 4 to Year 5 and feedback has been positive.

We consider it important that pupils start to acquire the homework habit, which is essential in developing individual learning skills.

# No Ceiling on Learning - Year 7 & 8 Curriculum Explored

Following our "No Ceiling on Learning – Years 7 and 8 Curriculum Explored" meeting which took place during the first half of term, we have had a number of requests to repeat the event for those who missed it. The evening will run again next Wednesday, 17th November at 7.00pm and is open to parents of children in Year 3 and above.

The aim is to give parents an idea of the rich and varied curriculum that is on offer for our senior pupils. These are vitally important years in a child's education and we are incredibly proud of the huge progress our Years 7 and 8 children make with our tailored mixture of challenge and support. Our academic programme is stimulating and the children benefit from specialist teaching in small groups by staff who know them well.

The evening will take the form of a short presentation from each of the Heads of Department to outline the exciting opportunities that lie ahead.

If you would like to find out about our Years 7 and 8 Curriculum then please complete <u>the</u> <u>form that can be found</u> here and a link to the meeting will be sent to you.

# Virtual Choosing Your Child's Next School Talk

On Thursday 18th November Robert Upton will be giving a virtual presentation and advice on how to choose your child's next school. He will also answer questions from the floor.

The session, which will start at 7.00pm and will last for approximately 50 minutes, 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 using this</u> <u>link</u> or email <u>Penny Charles</u>. A link to the presentation will be emailed to parents who have expressed an interest the day before the event.

# Happy Birthday

Grace Barcan 5 Anna Jacobs 11 Bertie Taylor 9 Finn van Mourik 8



# **FYMS Thank You**

As mentioned in FYMS Corner, The Friends of Yateley Manor School held their AGM earlier this week and elected their Committee Officers for the coming year. Congratulations to the new team.

We are very grateful to all of FYMS and particularly the officers for all their incredibly hard work on the school's behalf.

We would like to give a particulaly big thank you to retiring FYMS Chairperson, **Natalie Harris-Briggs** who has worked tirelessly over the last few years to organise events, fund raising initiatives and social events. Thank you **Natalie** for your incredible support of the school.

# **Early Years Forms**

If parents have not yet signed/returned their Nursery Session Forms or Early Years Funding Forms for the Spring Term 2022 could they please complete the form and return it to School Reception or Nursery as soon as possible. Thank you.

# **Calling Brass Players**

Sandhurst Silver Band's beginner's brass group, Brasshoppers, is looking for new players. If your child is over the age of eight and might be interested in joining please email <u>iandewhurst2490@gmail.com</u> for more information.

# Thank you to ...

The Milligan Croisdale-Appleby Family (Sephy and Carry) for their donation of toys for the Nursery. The Harris-Briggs Family (Freddie) for their donation of puzzles and games for the Nursery. The Sperring Family (Finley) for their donation of toys for Pre-Prep.

# Lost Property

**Tishya Bhattacharjee** has lost her named tracksuit. **Annabelle Starr** has lost her named red school coat. **Isadora Owen** has lost her named school jumper and her water bottle.

Would parents please check that their child has not picked up the wrong items by mistake. Thank you.

# Friends of Yateley Manor School Corner

FYMS held their **AGM** on Wednesday 10th November and are pleased to announce that **Hannah Wilson** has been elected to take on the role as Chair person for the next twelve months. **Liz Perry** remains as Vice Chair and **Kate Randall** as Treasurer and **Sarah-Jane Gasser** has been elected to the role of Secretary. FYMS would like to thank **Natalie Harris-Briggs** for all her hard work over the last two years as Chair.

The children's **Christmas cards** have all been delivered to school now and should have gone home to parents via the children's book bags. If you have not received yours yet please speak to your child's class teacher in the first instance. This year the designs have been amazing, so a huge thank you to the Pre-Prep teaching staff for supporting us once again with this fundraising initiative.

The **FYMS Christmas Fair** is taking place on Saturday 27th November, 12.00 - 3.00pm. We are acutely aware that Covid is still very much with us and as a committee have taken the decision to run a slightly more informal yet fun event, to bring together families within the school and celebrate the festive season. We will be posting further information on social media in the coming weeks. The usual shopping event will be held in the Fyson Blum Hall, along with the chocolate tombola and more! Thank you to everyone who donated chocolate to us today. Thank you also to **Isaac Perry, Elizabeth Gasser** and **Reuben Elliott** for their help with collecting the donations. Santa also has a new grotto for the Fair as we try and recreate some of the magic of the Northern Lights. We look forward to seeing you at the end of the month. The fair is open to all, so feel free to bring friends and family with you.

**Dates for the Diary!** Prep end of term discos will be held on Friday 3rd December. Timings are being finalised now and we will let you know when tickets are live to be purchased on the system. As always, the success of the discos is down to the number of parent volunteers we get. We will be asking parents to sign up via the events platform for each disco that they are able to help at.

**Nursery and Pre-Prep Christmas parties** are being held on Wednesday 15th December. We will let you know as soon as tickets are live on the system.

If you have not done so already, please register for an account on our **events platform** at <u>www.pta-events.com/friends-yateley-manor-school</u>. Here you can hire costumes for the Nursery and Reception Nativity Plays as well as buy tickets for the school discos and the Nursery and Pre-Prep Christmas parties. If you have a problem signing in then please contact us via email at fyms@mail.com, which is being actively monitored.

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# Menu week commencing 15th November

Monday Wednesday Friday Tuesday Thursday Meat Loaf Goan Pork Curry House Basil Pesto Pasta Chicken Ramen Battered Cod Herb Roasted Curried Beans Red Pepper Gnocchi Miso Roasted Aubergine Quorn Nuggets Mushroom Jacket Potato Jacket Potato Jacket Potato Jacket Potato Jacket Potato Choice of Toppings Choice of Toppings Choice of Toppings Choice of Topping Choice of Toppings Crushed New Potato Braised Rice Noodles Spinach Chips Ketchup Gravy Leeks & Kale Cabbage & Carrot Confit Garlic Steamed Vegetables Peas Tartare Sauce Spring Onion Caramelised Onion Salad Bar Salad Bar Salad Bar Salad Bar Salad Bar Selection of Desserts Selection of Desserts Selection of Desserts Selection of Desserts Selection of Desserts

Bread, Seasonal Salads, Fresh Fruit are available daily



Next week's fixture list				
Monday	4.30pm Basketball v Lambrook U13 & U11 Away			
Wednesday	<ul> <li>2.15pm Hockey v Eagle House and Highfield U11A &amp; U11B Away at Wellington College</li> <li>2.15pm Hockey v Eagle House and Highfield U13 Away at Eagle House</li> <li>2.15pm Hockey v Eagle House U10A &amp; U10B Home at Yateley Hockey Club</li> <li>2.30pm House Football for Years 5 to 8 (parents welcome to spectate)</li> </ul>			
Thursday	4.30pm Swimming Gala v LVS U11 & U10 Away			
Friday	2.00pm Yateley Manor U9 <b>Hockey</b> Tournament at <b>Yateley Hockey Club</b> 2.15pm <b>Hockey</b> v St Piran's U8A, U8B & U8C <b>Away <u>(sorry, no spectators are allowed at St Piran's)</u> 2.30pm <b>Football</b> v St Edward's Prep U8A &amp; U8B <b>Home</b>, U9A &amp; U9B <b>Away at Sulhamstead Cricket Club</b></b>			

# **Matches This Week**

Senior Fooball v Luckley House & Dolphin All our Senior boys were split into teams and played matches against the teams from both Luckley House and Dolphin. Despite some good football and some close matches the results did not go our way. Overall, we Played 6 games, winning 1 and losing 5. Goals were scored by Henry Huang (2), Harry Hall and Thomas Whitmore.

**Colts Football (Year 5 & 6 combined) v St Edward's Prep, Reading** Three excellent performances and three more wins to finish their football fixtures for the season. Three large squads to involve as many boys as possible meant lots of substitutions and rotations but the boys were all fantastic.

A Won 3 - 0 (Daniel Purslow 3)

B Won 5 - 1 (Dylan Sehmi 2, Finn Aumonier 2, Sonny Alexander)

C Won 9 - 0 (Harry Hennessy 3, Samuel Butler 2, Rex Holden 2, Jasper Dobson, George Smee)

The final football fixtures are the U8 and U9s next Friday and Years 5 to 8 have House matches next Wednesday.

**U13 Hockey v Sherfield** The seniors had an excellent game against Sherfield. The game was closer than the score line would suggest but we were much more clinical when finishing in the D. The final score was 6 - 0 with four goals from **Hope Horne** and one each from **Honor Middleton** and **Sophie Boston**.

**U10 Hockey v The Oratory** The U10A lost a very tight game against the Oratory 2 - 1 despite a great goal from **Eta Chick.** The U10B were unlucky not to win having had a 1 – 0 lead, thanks to a goal from **Maniska Khadka**, for much of the game. The girls unfortunately conceded very near the end of the match and the game finished in a 1 - 1 draw.

The U11s matches did not take place this week due to an error by the opposition for which we have received a lovely apology.

# **Rugby Season**

Rugby lessons starts in week commencing Monday 22nd November for all boys in Years 5 to 8. Years 3 and 4 still have a football fixture so rugby will start a week later.

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. Please buy some soon. **NB** This does not apply to Years 1, 2 and 3 as they will be playing touch rugby.

It is recommended by the 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. Therefore all boys from Year 3 upwards should have a gum shield.

# **Pentathlon Training**

The next two hour Pentathlon Training sessions will take place on *Saturday 20th November and Saturday 11th December*. These sessions run between 4pm and 6pm at Yateley Manor and each costs £25. Laser Run & Fencing (epee) training sessions are designed for Year 3 and upwards and cater for any ability. The booking form for these sessions <u>can be found here</u>. Information on the 20th December's exciting Tetrathlon Day Camp will be in next week's INAMOS.

# **Christmas Present Appeal**

At this time of year we usually support the Salvation Army by collecting shoe boxes filled with gifts to be distributed to disadvantaged children within the local community. Unfortunately, like last year, with COVID still in the community, the Salvation Army are not able to accept these boxes for distribution this Christmas.

With so many families in need we would still like to offer some support so we are again asking for donations of tins or tubs of chocolates. The Salvation Army will be giving vouchers to their families in need this Christmas and it would be lovely to attach these to a tin or tub of chocolates. If you are able to donate a tin or tub please bring them to School Reception by Thursday 9th December. Hopefully we can bring smiles to some children's faces this Christmas.

Last year, some parents asked whether it would be possible to contribute to the vouchers that the Salvation Army are giving. Donations would also be welcomed and can be in the form of either a cheque, payable to The Salvation Army Wokingham, or a voucher. The Salvation Army will be giving Boots, Sainsburys or Tesco Vouchers. Vouchers and cheques may be left in School Reception and we will make sure they are passed on.