



## Anti-Bullying Week

19th November 2021

This week, all pupils at THS have been taking part in a range of activities for Anti Bullying week. On Monday, we kicked things off with an interesting and informative assembly, hosted by Year 8. It was also Odd Socks day and it was good to see so many socks of different colours including Mr Peyton's pizza and crust socks!

On Tuesday morning, Karen from Richmond MIND and PC Mick Mitridate delivered a highly interesting and informative talk to Years 7 and 8 about the potential impact of bullying on mental health and the pitfalls of social media and cybercrime. As our safer schools officer, PC Mick is happy to advise parents on teenage matters - anything from drugs to cybercrime. He can be contacted on 07827 763191 or at [Mirko.Mitridate@met.police.uk](mailto:Mirko.Mitridate@met.police.uk). PC Mick would also like to



deliver a seminar for parents on the issues around cybercrime discussed with Years 7 and 8 this week, later this year. If this would be something you would potentially be interested in, please could you email Mrs Patel on [patel@thsboys.org.uk](mailto:patel@thsboys.org.uk) so that we can get some idea of numbers.

Meanwhile, in the Junior School, pupils have been busy writing kind word leaves for our kindness tree, which is looking lovely in the Junior School entrance area, writing postcards thanking people for kindnesses they have done them and thinking about how they can help others. Hopefully, you should be getting a



little bit of extra help at home with all sorts of domestic tasks!

Year 2 and 3, along with the senior school had a talk from the explorer and adventurer, Nick Carter. Nick talked to the boys about his adventures in the Amazon Rainforest; the people he had met and the struggles such an inhospitable environment had brought. Nick explained that any expedition starts with a team; people who not only have the necessary skills for the journey ahead, but who will provide the necessary emotional support when things go wrong. He encouraged the boys to use his three step approach to developing a positive mind-set. These were 1. Try something new. 2. Try something

difficult and 3. Try something that makes you feel uncomfortable – that takes you out of your comfort zone. This is all good advice that hopefully the boys will be reminded of as they face more everyday adventures.

Of course, events like anti-bullying week don't happen without the time and dedication of many members of staff. Mrs Patel led from the front, organising such a wide range of activities - ably supported by many others namely Mrs Minter, Mr Orme and Mr Peyton. Many thanks and congratulations (for such a thought-provoking week) to all concerned.





## SAXOPHONE AND CLARINET CONCERT

For the first time in a long while The Townsend Hall resounded with beautiful music, played by boys, for their parents.

It was joyful to witness the pride of pupils as they were able to perform and showcase all their hard practice.

The saxophone:clarinet split was 6:4 and pieces were eclectic as ever.

Sea shanties mixed with jazz and swing – with the common denominator being toe-tapping fun!

Special thanks to Mr McGovern for coaching the boys so superbly and, of course, for organising and playing the many pieces of accompanying music.





## YEAR 4 CHARITY

A huge thank you to the Year 4 parents for organising and running a very successful charity event to raise money for Tiggywinkles. Year 4s to Year 8 enjoyed a Peyton Primer or an Evans Angel, some boys coming back for seconds and thirds.

The sale raised a fantastic £150 - thank you to everyone who supported the cause!



## YEAR 8 CHARITY

Year 8 have decided that they want to fundraise for the RSPCA this year! Their first bout of fundraising will happen next week, where for £2, each boy will be entered into the "Guess the number of sweets in a jar!" competition and be able to dress up as an animal on Friday, or wear an item of clothing with an animal picture on it.





### Football

It has been an exceptional football season this year but sadly came to an abrupt end this week with the cancellation of our final matches on Wednesday and Thursday. However, through the term all boys in the senior school have played lots of matches and the results across the board have been excellent. A full report will be in the final newsletter of the term but in the meantime a huge well done to one and all.

The final act of our football season is, as always the eagerly anticipated house matches. Parents are very welcome to spectate on Wednesday (Years 6/7/8 combined A & B tournament) and Friday (Years 4/5 combined). Please note the password for entry is – CHILLY.

## YEAR 3 POTTERY CLUB

Hand made, decorated and glazed by the Year 3 students - aren't they beautiful!?



# FOTH CHRISTMAS FAIR

THURSDAY 2ND DECEMBER  
FROM 3.30 PM

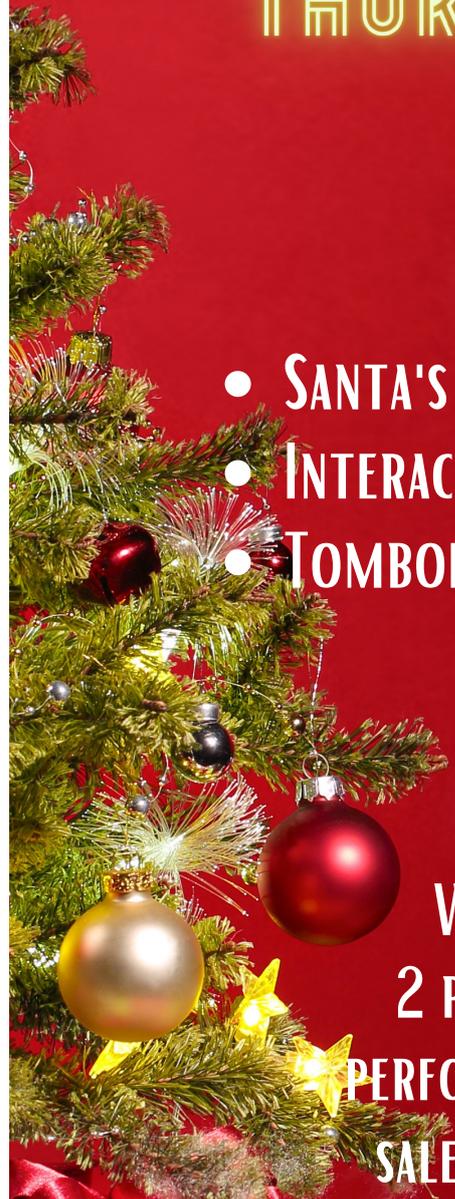
## ***FAMILY FESTIVE FUN***

- SANTA'S GROTTO
- INTERACTIVE GAMES
- TOMBOLA & JAM JARS
- TOY AND BOOK STALL
- WREATHS AND GIFTS
- MULLED WINE & MORE!



## ***CHRISTMAS RAFFLE***

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

Mon 22nd	-	Year 5 Parents Evening (online)	5:30pm
Wed 24th	-	Years 6, 7 and 8 football house matches Parents welcome to spectate - password for entry - CHILLY	2:30pm
Fri 26th	-	Year 8 charity dress up day for senior school Dress as an animal or wear an item of clothing with an animal on it £2 for RSPCA collected by HoY at registration	
	-	Years 4 and 5 football house matches Parents welcome to spectate - password for entry - CHILLY	2:30pm
Sat 27th	-	Year 6 practice pre-test exams (hall)	morning

Congratulations to this week's house point winners who are ... **Putney!**



Have a lovely weekend!