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Diary After Half Term

Monday 7th November

Year 8 Examinations Week (Mon, Tue & Wed)
Year 6 Examinations Week (Thur & Fri)
Primary Maths Challenge Week for some Year 5 & 6 Children
Year 5 Curriculum Production Day

Tuesday 8th November

5.00pm Years 3 & 4 Parents' Evenings

Wednesday 9th November

7.30pm FYMS Committee Meeting & AGM

Thursday 10th November

Year 8 Trial French Speaking Exams

Friday 11th November

Year 8 Trial French Speaking Exams
10.45am Remembrance Assembly

Saturday 12th November

7.30pm FYMS Barn Dance

After School Clubs for the week after half term

All after school clubs and coaches will be running as usual except:

Tuesday: Years 3 & 4 Jewellery Making Club

Thursday: Rugby Club

Poppy Appeal

The School will, as usual, be supporting the Poppy appeal in the week after half term. Poppies will be available to buy every day at break and lunch times.

Children from Year 1 upwards will also take part in a Remembrance Day Assembly and a two minute silence on Friday 11th November.

Inter House Performing Arts Competition

The new format Inter house performing arts competition featuring all children from Years 1 to 8 was eagerly fought on Friday afternoon. Each house was asked to perform a solo piece (drama, music, singing or dance) and an ensemble piece consisting of six children, one pupil from each year group (Years 3 to 8) which could either be a musical ensemble based on body percussion or a small group ensemble drama sketch. The final flourish was a whole House group song of the house staff's choice to be judged on entertainment, clarity, pitch, rhythm, originality and engagement. The overall winning house was **Fyson**. Congratulations to all the houses and to everyone who took part. It was a really fabulous way to finish the half term.



That's a Wrap

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

The long awaited, and fiercely competed, House Performing Arts Competition took place this afternoon, and what a spectacle it was! Credit goes to every single child from Year 1 to Year 8 (and every member of staff) for some incredible performances. As Headmaster of this amazing school, I was so proud to be part of the community and witness the children perform collaboratively with so much gusto. It was a wonderful afternoon and a true reflection of Yateley Manor.

[To read the rest of this article click here.](#)

[To view other blog posts visit the Headmaster's Blog page of the school website.](#)



Half Term Is Here!

We wish all our pupils, staff and parents a very restful half term.

We look forward to seeing everyone refreshed on Monday 7th November.

Headmaster's Commendations

For performing a poem so accurately, confidently, and engagingly:

Ishaan Ansar, Albert Bilcliff, Jacob Brown, Jessica Green, Grace Hustler, Heidi Lippiatt, Rex Macoraghty-Mines, Lily Norbury, Matthew Page, Hugo Sandy, Evelyn Smee, Bertie Taylor, Ozzy Upfold
Excellent Divali Poem: **Annabel Barnes, Saina Patre**

New Club After Half Term

After half term, with the darker evenings, Sue Parkin will be offering a new club instead of petanque. She will be offering Christmas Cross Stitch and will be making Christmas gift labels, tree decorations and cards. Join her on the first day back after half term and get Christmas creative!

FYMS (Friends of Yateley Manor School)

Yateley Manor 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 Barn Dance, the Christmas Fair and the ever popular May Fair. FYMS also organise the end of term parties for the children, 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.

FYMS would be delighted to welcome you to their AGM which will take place on Wednesday 9th November. If you would like to attend or put yourself forward to be part of the committee please email them at fyms@mail.com

House Points and Bonuses

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

Prep Bonus Point Winner: School

Prep House Point Winner: Fyson

Prep Overall Winner: School

Pre-Prep House Point Winner: Fyson

Individual and Sibling Photos

Parents are reminded that this Wednesday, 26th October, is the deadline for ordering individual and sibling photos to take advantage of free delivery to school and the 10% discount.

Each child was given an information sheet with the details necessary for viewing and ordering their photographs. If you have not received the information sheet to enable you to view and order school photographs please email penny@yateleymanor.com.

Orders for photographs may be placed after 26th October but parents will need to pay postage on these orders.

We hope that you enjoy your child's photos.

Life in Years 7 and 8 at Yateley Manor

The meeting entitled A Look at Life in Years 7 and 8, which we unfortunately had to postpone earlier this month, will now take place on Thursday 1st December at 7.00pm in Johnson and Bronte.

This meeting looks more at the pupil's perspective of the whole experience of Life in Years 7 & 8 including extracurricular, the enrichment programme, leadership, citizenship and the Yateley Manor Award Scheme. Some of our current Year 7 and 8 pupils will also be at the meeting and parents will have the opportunity to hear from them and ask them questions.

The meeting is aimed particularly at parents of children in Years 3 to 6 but is open to all year groups. Children are welcome to watch too.

If you would like to attend this meeting please complete and [submit the form using this link](#).

Choosing Your Child's Next School Talk

On Thursday 17th 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 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 [complete and submit the form using this link](#).

Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to the following children whose birthdays fall during half term or our first week back at school:

Ishaan Ansar 11
William Auchterlonie 13
Ranesh Barathan 10
Samuel Butler 11
Esmé Dawber 9
Auden Elliott 4
Maisie Lee 10
Elodie Lippiatt 4
Oliver Love 9
Archie Martin 12
Georgia Martin 12
Evie Newman 12
James Norbury 11
Lily Norbury 11
Ruby Porter 8
Louis Raven 12
Thomas Smith 13
James Stuart-King 12



Car Park Reminders

After half term it will be dark when clubs finish at 5.25pm. We would 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.

Year 6 and Year 8 Revision Guide Booklet

Exam revision guide booklets for Year 6 and Year 8 pupils have been sent home with the children this week. Please look out for your copy.

Uniform and Equipment

Parents are reminded to make sure that all uniform, games kit and equipment is clearly named so that it can be returned to the owner if it is lost.

In the case of second hand uniform that has been purchased please remove the previous owners name before adding the new name or the item may be returned to the wrong person. Many thanks.

Term Dates

Dates for the academic year 2023 - 2024 are now [on the school website](#).

FYMS Corner

Thank you to everyone who supported FYMS with their donations for **Bags2School**. Hopefully we will have raised a good few pounds towards our fundraising target.

Tickets will be live on the [website](#) for all our upcoming Autumn events over half term and we will let everyone know via the reps when they are. This way we hope to help spread the cost of activities for families. An email went out to all parents regarding our AGM on Wednesday 9th November. If you would like to attend either in person or virtually please get in touch at fyms@mail.com.

Tickets for the **Barn Dance** on Saturday 12th November are available and can be purchased online via the website. The event is open to everyone, including family and friends and it really was a great night out last year. We hope to see you there.

Our **2022 Winter Wonderland** will be one of our biggest fundraisers for the year and this year we have gone bigger and better! It is all happening on Saturday 3rd December, 12.00 noon to 3.00pm. Here is a quick overview of what is in store!

Winter Wonderland Passport: Each child will be given a passport and as they visit the different activities around the school, they will get a stamp in their passport. Families can ensure they have seen everything there is to see and it makes for a lovely memento of their afternoon. The passports can be collected from the FYMS stall located in the Fyson Blum Hall.

FYMS Christmas Market: The Fyson Blum Hall will be a hive of activity with something for everyone.

FYMS Christmas Art Gallery: Adorning the walls will be our Art Gallery, featuring the works of some of our talented artists in Years 3 to 8. Each piece will be available to purchase, mounted and framed making it the perfect gift for one of the family or a very dear friend. Take a note of the gallery number and pay at the FYMS stall. Parents have first refusal to purchase their children's artwork. The pieces will be framed over the weekend for collection from School Reception the following week. A huge shout out to Tracey Hayter for partnering with us on this!

Pre Loved Stall: Pick up a bargain toy, gift, fancy dress costume or Christmas jumper from our pre loved stall. We simply ask for a minimum donation of £1 per item. All clothing has been washed.

Raffle Tickets: Raffle ticket books will be sent home in bags with all children the first week back of the new half term. We have some incredible prizes including a hot tub hire, tickets to the family race day at Ascot and a meal for two at the Greyhound to name a few! The raffle is open to everyone, including friends and family and further books will be available from School Reception in the lead up to the fair. Tickets can also be bought on the day. (continued on page 5)

Menu week commencing 7th November

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
	Soup of the Day	Soup of the Day	Soup of the Day	Soup of the Day	Soup of the Day
Main Event	Cumberland Sausage Chicken Sausage	Roasted Chicken with Sage and Onion Stuffing and Gravy	Minced Beef and Onion Pie Topped with Puff Pastry	Slow Cooked Lamb with Root Vegetables Casserole	Battered Cod Tartare Sauce Lemon
Vegetarian Section	Veggie Sausage	Lentil and Butternut Squash Stew	Potatoes Cheese and onion Pie topped with Puff pastry	Chickpea in Moroccan Spiced Sauce topped Yoghurt Flat Bread	Quorn Nuggets
Sides	Onion Gravy Creamed Potatoes Peas and Sweetcorn	Herb Roasted Potatoes Mixed Vegetables	Herb New Potatoes Broccoli Roasted Carrots Gravy	Parsley Potatoes Roasted Pumpkin Savoy Cabbage	Chips Peas Baked Beans
Extras	Daily Salad Selection Jacket Bar	Daily Salad Selection Jacket Bar	Daily Salad Selection Jacket Bar	Daily Salad Selection Jacket Bar	Daily Salad Selection Jacket Bar
Dessert	Dessert of the Day	Dessert of the Day	Dessert of the Day	Dessert of the Day	Dessert of the Day

Fixture List for After Half Term

Friday 4th Nov	IAPS U11 Hockey Tournament at Millfield School
Wednesday	2.30pm Hockey v The Oratory Prep U10A & U10B Home at Yateley Hockey Club , U13, U11A, U11B & U11C Away 2.30pm Football v St Edward's Prep U11/U10A Home , U11/U10B & U11/U10C Away
Thursday	4.30pm Swimming Gala v Crosfields U9 & U9 Home

Rugby and Hockey Seasons are Coming

Rugby starts a couple of weeks after half term.

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 all good sports shops. **NB** This does not apply to Years 1, 2 and 3 or those whose will be playing touch rugby.

Boys in Years 3 to 8 will also be playing hockey in the coming months and will all need a mouth guard for this as well as for playing contact rugby.

Match Reports

IAPS U13 Regional Hockey

It was a great spectacle of Hockey at Wellington College last Friday with 20 teams from all over the South of England taking part. It was a lovely day, with the girls learning a lot and their hockey match play improving throughout the day. Although they did not progress through the competition, it was a great experience for everyone. Well done girls.

Junior Hockey v St Neot's

U9A	L	0 - 1	POM Megan Harding
U9B	L	0 - 4	POM Emily Wilson
U8A	D	1 - 1	
U8B	L	1 - 2	Evie Lee POM Evie Lee

Junior Hockey v St Andrew's

U9A	L	1 - 2	Tvisha Nair POM Esmé Dawber
U9B	D	1 - 1	Maisie Sigley - POM Emily Wilson
U8A	W	2 - 0	Elizabeth Gasser - POM Caitlin Nica
U8B	L	0 - 2	POM Sophie Kleiber

Junior Football v St Neot's and Woodcote House

U9A	L	4 - 6	Albert Bilcliff, Niryan Toor (3)
U9B	D v St Neot's	2 - 2	Will Taylor, Harrison Sheer
U9B	W v Woodcote	2 - 0	Will Taylor, Henry Thornton

U9C	L	1 - 4	Matti Stiles
U9C	D	2 - 2	Matti Stiles (2)
U8A	W	2 - 3	Max Woodhead

Senior Hockey v Crosfields

U13	L	3 - 4	Matilda Upfold (2) Evie Newman POM Evie and Lola Coxon
U11A	L	0 - 2	POM Clara Goodby
U11B	L	0 - 1	POM Izzy Jared
U11C	L	0 - 1	POM Saanvi Nair
U10A	D	0 - 0	POM Leela Sachdev
U10B	D	0 - 0	POM Isadora Owen

Senior Hockey v Hall Grove

U11A	W	2 - 0	Clara Goodby, Alice Waddington POM Lily Norbury
U11B	D	0 - 0	POM Charlotte Hendry
U10A	D	0 - 0	POM Megan Harding
U10B	W	3 - 0	Amelia Osborne (3) POM Amelia

Senior Football v Eagle House

U13A	L	0 - 6	
U11A	w	3 - 2	Danny Alexander (2)
U11B	I	1 - 3	Samuel Butler
U11C	D	3 - 3	Thomas Wooldridge, Ryan Anderson, Ishaan Ansar
U11D	L	0 - 9	
U10A	W	0 - 2	George Thorne, Jacob Brown
U10B	L	6 - 3	Joshua Clark, Nathan Okah, Arthavit Anoop
U10C	L	7 - 2	Azob Chick

Swimming Lessons

First 4 Sports are starting new swimming lessons using the Yateley Manor pool on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings and on Saturday mornings. Lessons start in the week commencing 7th November. For more information and [contact details click here](#).

Pentathlon Events at Yateley Manor

South & South East Pentathlon are running the following training opportunities:

Laser Shoot, Fence for age 8 upwards. Cost: £25

[Saturday 19th November 2022 4.00pm – 6.00pm](#)

[Saturday 10th December 2022 4.00pm – 6.00pm](#)

Laser Run Night Series for age 8 upwards Cost £5

[Saturday 19th November 2022 6.30pm – 7.30pm](#)

[Saturday 10th December 2022 6.30pm – 7.30pm](#)

Open to all the family to take on the targets during the darker evenings. The 200m course will be lined with glow sticks to light the way! The shooting distance will be 5m from the target.

Schools Biathlon Regional Qualifier Age 7 upwards Cost £15

[Saturday 12th November 2022 6.30pm – 7.30pm](#) at Bracknell

Sports Centre.

Laser Shoot, Fence, Swim Christmas Camp will take place on Monday 19th to Wednesday 21st December - keep the dates free!

FYMS Corner continued

Christmas Stalls: We have had an incredible response for our stalls this year, with a diverse group of sellers coming to showcase their talents and businesses. It is highly likely you can get the bulk of your shopping done in one afternoon! We will be showcasing a different stallholder every day on Facebook in the lead up to the fair so be sure to be part of our closed group.

Food and Drink: Our talented chefs have generously donated their time to cook and serve some festive delights including pulled turkey baps with cranberry, pigs in blankets and mulled wine. Food will be available to pre order in advance via our [website](#). Hot and cold drinks and some sweet treats will be available to purchase on the day as well. Due to an increase in fees, we will be accepting card payments for transactions of £5 and above.

Chocolate Tombola: It is back once again! The chance to win some incredible chocolate prizes if you pick a 0 or 5 but you've got to be in it to win it!

Reindeer Food Making: Under the big top, children can come along and make a cone of reindeer food. The RSPCA have a brilliant recipe that is safe for all animals. Some of our Years 7 & 8 children will be on hand to help. Don't forget to get your stamp!

Santa's Game Hall: This week Liz and Hannah had the opportunity to meet with the children in Years 7 & 8 to talk about how the children can get involved with FYMS and earn some significant points towards their Ambassadors Award. As part of the activity programme for our Winter Wonderland, this year we will be hosting fairground style game stalls in the gym. The stalls will be managed and run exclusively by the children, giving them an opportunity to start developing their business and customer service skills. They will be competing against one another in their houses to see who can make the most profit for FYMS! Full details have been given to the children and sent home to parents and based on the chatter we heard in the Fyson Blum Hall, we are all in for a treat. Once the game stalls have been finalised, we will let you know. Don't forget to get your stamp when you visit them! A big thank you to Hannah Roberts for working with us to bring something different for the older children to enjoy.

Santa's Workshop: Inside the Drama Studio you will find a Nordic scene within which you can stop and take some festive photographs. There will be some tables and chairs for the children to sit at to write their letter to Santa before popping it in the postbox. Please ensure that your child's name and class are written on the letter for them to receive a reply from the North Pole. Some arts and crafts will also be available for the children to do. Don't forget to get your stamp!

Santa's Lavvu: This year, children will be taken on a small adventure to see Santa in his Finnish style bell tent (known as a Lavvu), adjacent to woodland learning. They will start their journey at the bottom of the path behind the Fyson Blum Hall and upon arriving in the Woodland Learning Area, you will be greeted with a cup of hot chocolate and the children can toast marshmallows over the fire. When it is your family's turn, you can spend some quality time with Santa telling him all about what the children would like for Christmas before leaving with a wrapped gift. Timed tickets will be available to purchase in advance and we will ensure that every child who wishes to see Santa does and we will open up further time slots as required. Please ensure you pick up your wrist band from the FYMS stall before making your way to the path. Don't forget to get your stamp!

School Choirs: Our incredible singers will be taking to the outdoor stage to continue the festive cheer. Jen Hustler will be sending a letter to parents asking for confirmation as to who can attend, so please do keep an eye out for it. Thank you Jen for partnering with us again.

As always, such a large scale event simply isn't possible without help. Volunteer slots are live on our [website now for you to sign up](#) to. Just 30 minutes of your time will make all the difference. We also need help to set everything up and take it all down again. If you hold a school DBS and are free on Friday 2nd December to help during the afternoon and/or evening then please email fyms@mail.com.

Half Term Holiday Club and Extended Nursery Provision

[Bookings are now open for the Autumn Half Term Holiday Club and Extended Nursery Provision](#) which will both run from Monday 24th October to Friday 4th November.

The Holiday Club is open to friends and family of Yateley Manor. Holiday Club activities will include playball and swimming subject to lifeguard availability. Please note children should arrive before 9.30am or entry will not be possible and pickup is not before 4.30pm.

The Extended Nursery Provision is open to Yateley Manor current pupils only. Nursery children may be collected at any time.

Packed lunches must be nut free. Could parents please ensure that packed lunches do not contain any food that has been made in a factory where products containing nuts are made. Payment should be made at the time of booking either by Credit/Debit card or by Childcare Vouchers and the payment instruction of Childcare Vouchers should be made at the same time.

Please note bookings for the week commencing 24th October 2022 have now closed. We are not able to accept children without a prior booking.

Winter Uniform Reminder

Parents are reminded that all pupils should be in winter uniform for the second half of the Autumn Term and during Spring Term.

- Skirt uniform for children up to Year 6 is the school kilt (or school pinafore for Year 1, Reception, and Nursery girls), white shirt, school tie and grey pullover with plain grey socks or tights and black shoes.
- Trouser uniform for children up to Year 6 is grey trousers or shorts, white shirt, school tie and grey pullover with plain grey socks and black shoes.
- Variations apply to the Nursery and Reception, senior school pupils.
- All pupils should look smart and tidy.