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# **Next Week's Diary**

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National Storytelling Week

1200 Year 2 parents for lunch

#### **TUESDAY 31st January**

- 1200 Year 2 parents for lunch
- 1700 Year 3 and 4 Parents' Evening
- 1700 Year 8 Pupil Counsels

#### WEDNESDAY 1st February

ALL DAY U11A IAPS Netball Tournament (Kings Bruton)

#### THURSDAY 2nd February

0800	Pre-Prep Coffee Morning
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- 1200 Year 2 parents for lunch
- 1700 Year 3 and 4 Parents' Evening

#### FRIDAY 3rd February

0930 Yateley Manor Public Speaking Competition

#### SATURDAY 4th February

1400 U13/U12 Netball Tournament (Hall Grove)

## **Club News**

All clubs are running next week, with the exception of:

**Tuesday**: Year 3 and 4 Jewellery Club and Rackets Club, due to the parents' evenings.

## **Key Information**

Year 2 - Parents invited in for lunch
(Week commencing Monday 30th January )
Year 3 - Parents' Evening
(Tuesday 31st January and Thursday 2nd February)
Year 4 - Parents' Evening (Tuesday 31st January and Thursday 2nd February)
Year 8 - Parents' Evening (Tuesday 31st January)
Reception, Years 1 and 2 - Coffee Morning
(Thursday 2nd February)

## **Eagle House Maths Challenge**

On Tuesday we took two pairs of our Year 6 mathematicians to the Eagle House Maths Challenge. They took part in three different events, Find the values, Countdown and The Big Event which included a mixture of mathematical problems. It was a fun and very active afternoon with pupils running up and down to get the next challenge! Garet A, Alex N, Kayan S and Ishaan A were up against over thirty other schools, making a total of seventy-four groups. Kayan and Ishaan finished 37th and Alex and Garet finished in 29th place. Well done to all four involved.



# **Pause for Thought**

#### I Wanna Tell You A Story

As I look ahead to Monday and National Storytelling Week, I am reminded of the catchphrase, "I wanna tell you a story." I thought it originated from Max Bygraves but in fact it was Mike Yarwood, the comedian and impersonator, who coined the phrase on behalf of Max. The very words conjure up a childhood excitement in me, mixed with memories of having stories told by my dad at bedtime. He was very adept at telling stories, making them up on the spot and including characters that my brother and I requested. [More...]



# **Happy Birthday**

Many happy returns to the following children who have birthdays next week:

Evie L (Year 3) - 8 Sophie H (Year 5) - 10 Rafa S (Year 6) - 11 Maisie S (Year 4) - 9 Annabelle S (Year 7) - 12



# **House Points**

Reflection: Fyson and Stanley Happiness: Fyson Community: Fyson Teamwork: Fyson Relationships: Fyson Resilience: Stanley

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

# **Gold Stars**

**10 Gold Stars** Callum M (Year 2) Will C (Year 2)

#### 15 Gold Stars

Grace B (Year 1) Finley C (Year 1) Heidi L (Year 2) Akin A (Year 2)



#### 20 Gold Stars

Hukam T (Year 1) Austin P (Year 1) Jacob P (Year 1) Valentina A (Year 2)



# **Pre-Prep Weekly Stars**

Rory M, Rose G, Alex D, Dominic F

**Reception Smiles** 

RAH: Bella M RSB: Clara W 1JAV: Henry C 1SLD: Katelyn K 2LAH: Theo S 2VMN: Tess F



# Lunch Menu for Next Week

	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	Char Grilled Mediterranean Chicken Breast	Roasted Shoulder of Pork Sage and Onion Crackling	Italian beef Meatballs in a Basil and Tomato sauce	Lamb Keema (Minced lamb in a curry sauce with peas)	Breaded Cod Lemon Tartare Sauce
Vegetarian Section	Vegetable Burger with Garlic mayo and Coleslaw	Cheese and Onion Pasty	Butternut Squash and Spinach Falafel in a Tomato sauce	Chickpea, Pepper and paneer Korma	Quorn Nuggets
Sides	Minted New Potatoes Roasted Carrots Green Beans	Herb Roasted Potatoes Mixed Vegetables	Garlic Bread Penne Pasta Roasted Ratatouille	Vegetable rice Poppadum's Naan Bread	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
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## **FYMS Update**

We will be meeting with potential trim trail suppliers on Tuesday next week to discuss location and design. We will be working closely with the School Council to determine what they would like to include in the trail. Our plan is have the trail installed over the summer holidays. Our fundraising goal is £10k.

For those of you with Colour Run tickets, we ask that any requests for refunds are made by Friday 3rd February to enable us to do the appropriate financial due diligence. Thank you to all the generous families who have donated their ticket money to FYMS.

#### Friday 3rd February: Bags2School

Please bring preloved donations of clothes, accessories, shoes and household textiles to school on :

- Thursday 2nd February from 5.30pm 6pm
- Friday 3rd February from 8am 8.30am

We receive 50p per kilo of donations which should be clean and in good condition.

#### Friday 3rd March: Quiz Night

Norman is back as our Quiz Master and you can buy a team table for up to 6 online via our <u>website</u> now.

#### **March: Hoodies**

FYMS will organise Year 6 and 8 hoodies again this year. Full details will be available later in the Spring term.

#### Wednesday 22nd March: Easter Egg Hunt

<u>New for 2023</u> This year, FYMS are hosting a whole school Easter Egg Hunt as a treat for all pupils. We will be setting clues to solve around the school and the Easter Bunny will be stopping by too. This event is funded by FYMS as an Easter treat for all the children.

#### Saturday 20th May: FYMS Annual May Fair

Our first meeting is Wednesday 8th February (White Lion, Yateley). Please come along and help us plan an amazing day of fun activities. Last year was a huge success with some incredible stalls and lots of activities. You can see the fun of last year <u>here</u>.

#### Tuesday 20th June: End of Year Party for Years 6 - 8

Last year FYMS hosted the first ever prom style end of year party for our senior pupils and it was a huge success (click <u>here</u> for more). We would love to host another party for 2023 and would welcome some parents to join us in planning the evening. If you would like to get involved please speak to your year group rep or email <u>fyms@mail.com</u>. This event will require parent volunteers please.

# Friday 23rd June: Nursery & Pre-Prep, Years 3 - 5 End of Year Party

We are heading back to Jump In! Tickets will be online in February. <u>Here</u> is a recap of the fun that was had last summer. Parents stay and play with the younger children, whilst Years 3 - 5 may be dropped off but we need volunteers to supervise the event please.

#### Sports Day

FYMS will be back under the gazebo selling drinks and ice creams! Details of how you can help on the day will be made available closer to the time.

Hannah Wilson (Chair of FYMS)

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# **Headmaster's Commendations**

'For their entries to the Year 4 Christmas cake competition'

Henry F, Lachlan M, Maisie S, Gianna A, Elim L, Anushka L, Maya P, Evelyn S, Elio S, India G, Albert B, Charlie C

Overall winner of the Christmas cake competition: Phoebe P

# **Holiday Club**

Bookings are now open for the February Half Term Holiday Club and Extended Nursery Provision which will run from Monday 13<sup>th</sup> to Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023. Bookings may be made for any combination of days. The Holiday Club from Reception to Year 8 is open to friends and family of Yateley Manor School. The Nursery Holiday Club is for current Yateley Manor children only.

Activities will include playball and swimming, subject to lifeguard availability.

All clubs will start at 8.30am and finish at 5.30pm. Children should arrive no later than 9.30am. Pick up is from 4pm onwards and Nursery children may be collected at any time. The very latest time for pick up is 5.30pm, after which staffing levels cannot be guaranteed. There will be a limit of 4 places per day for Nursery 2 year olds. Entry will not be permitted without a prior booking and bookings must be made by 5.00pm on the Thursday before the following week's Holiday Club.

All children attending will need to bring their own packed lunch, snacks and water bottle each day. All food must be nut free and must not contain any food that has been made in a factory where products containing nuts are made.

### Nursery

On Monday, the children had great fun experimenting with beanbags and different sized balls. They learnt the difference between overarm and underarm and practised using both for the variety of targets set up around the gym.



### Reception

This week the children have been celebrating the Luna New Year. They enjoyed tasting a range of different noodles. They loved the egg noodles but were not so keen on the glass noodles. Some fantastic dragons have been made and if you are feeling hungry, the Chinese restaurant is still open!





### Year 1

Rehearsals continue as the children prepare for their opening performance.



# Year 2

Children in Year 2 have been writing poems this week. They went into the garden for inspiration and thought of some lovely descriptive words.



# Year 3

This morning the children went up to Woodland Learning to explore their natural surroundings and enjoy a hot chocolate with marshmallows and a biscuit. They explored the tyre obstacle course, built bug houses and added to the den.



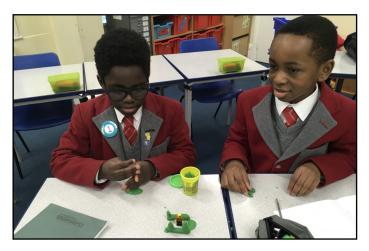
## Year 4

The children had a wonderful time during their art carousel on the topic of India. They have been busy painting their Diwali Lamps.



# Year 5

Year 5 have been designing and making bomb shelters in History lessons to survive the Phoney War.



# Year 6

Year 6 had a creative PSHE lesson thinking about their dreams and goals and the steps needed to achieve them. Using ideas from discussion of strengths in the animal kingdom, they made individual totem poles and some classes joined their poles together to create displays.



# Year 7

Yesterday children in Year 7 travelled to the Centre of the Cell. It is a science education centre based at Queen Mary, University of London. It is the first science education centre in the world to be located within working biomedical research laboratories. A favourite activity for the children was the Snot, Sick and Scabs workshop, where they sorted cells into good and bad.



Club Update <u>Music Practice Club</u> New year, new you!

Music Practice Club is the perfect way for children to fulfil their New Year's resolution to do more practice each week!! The club is for children who take individual music lessons both in or outside school, and for these pupils, maintaining regular practice through the week is the key to success. So come along, make use of our wonderful practice room facilities, enjoy the buzz of music-making amongst your friends, benefit from the help and supervision of Mrs Gough, and get your prac-

#### Stage Hair and Makeup

The children have created their animal theme designs and are now beginning to practise their application techniques, using sponges and fine detail brushes. Some budding make-up artists in the making.



# **Staff Spotlight**



# Simon Head Deputy Head

An interview with our Captains of School: Isaac, Kayleigh and Rihaan

This is Simon Head, our Deputy Head. He has been Deputy Head at Yateley Manor for 31 years. He arrived in 1992 when compact discs surpassed cassette tapes as the preferred medium for recorded music and a textbased Web browser was made available to the public.

# What is the wildest thing you have ever done?

John O' Groats to Lands End on a bike.

# Where would you go on holiday, if it was free?

New Zealand, I've never been there.

# What job did you want as a child?

Professional cricketer

# Can you describe yourself in 3 words?

Positive, humorous, loyal

# What would you spend £1,000,000 on, but you have 24 hours to spend it and you can't save it?

I would give each of my children  $\pm 200,000$  to give them a good start in life.

# What are your favourite sports?

Cricket and hockey to play and to watch.

# What is your favourite movie?

Midnight Express and Shawshank Redemption

# How do you spend your free time?

I cycle, play saxophone, I read, and watch Spurs.

# If you were given 3 wishes, what would you spend them on?

Live a long and healthy life, my 5 children have happy lives, and Spurs eventually win the Premier League!

# What is your favourite sweet?

Dairy milk chocolate

# What is your favourite band or musician

Pink Floyd and Genesis



# **Images from the Week**













# NEW FILM What Makes Yateley Manor Unique?

Our new film has been published and we think the children sum the school up really well.

Click the image below to watch the film.

