

# **KEY INFORMATION FOR THE WEEK**

# Young Supports Concert at the Royal Albert Hall:

We started the week on a high when 42 of our Junior and Senior Choir members spent the day rehearsing with over 900 other children in the Royal Albert Hall before they performed alongside the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra in the Barnardo's Young Supporters Concert, 'Showtime – A Night of Musical Movie'. The audience enjoyed both massed choir and orchestral pieces which celebrated some of Britain's most adored musical numbers both old and new, and well known movie scores. The children loved it and represented our school brilliantly with their enthusiasm and energy. Barnardo's is the charity we will be supporting over the Christmas period with various fundraising events which will kick off next week when our Christmas post office opens. The children will be able to send their Christmas cards to others in the school for a penny a card. Our older children will staff the post office which will be open from Monday in our library. Barnardo's | Children's charity | Barnardo's



### **Invictus Games:**

On Tuesday a selection of Year 5 students went to Braywick Leisure Centre for the Invictus Games, an event organised by the Ascot and Maidenhead School Sport Partnership of which we are members. They competed in a range of events against primary schools from across the borough. They had a great time trying a variety of new sports and all did a brilliant job representing our school. As always, we are enormously grateful for your help and support in transporting the children there and back.

## **Other Sporting Fixtures:**

On Wednesday our netball squad went to Courthouse School for a couple of matches. Our A team walked away with a 12-6 win but our B team were less successful. That said, despite a loss, they put up a great fight and, for many playing for our school for the first time, they performed valiantly.

### **Christmas Unwrapped with Wayne Dixon:**

Today Year 6 enjoyed a session with regular visitor to our school, Wayne Dixon, from Christian Connections in Schools. They explored the Christmas story and took part in a range of group activities.

## **Online Safety with Childnet:**

If you are still interested in hearing the advice that Childnet gave when they ran a session for parents on online safety during our Maths and Computing Week you can use the link: <a href="https://vimeo.com/1114257225/fbdffbb802">https://vimeo.com/1114257225/fbdffbb802</a> We still have leaflets and copies of a Childnet Family Agreement which were given out on the evening if you would like to pick them up from the office.

### **Nativity Arrangements:**

Our thanks go to Mrs Awoyemi and her team for organising the PTA 'Nativity Costume Swap' this week. Next week look out for an email from the office about how to secure tickets for either one of our performances. Arrangements about other matters related to the show will also be shared.

### **Christmas Lunch:**

Please note that the deadline for ordering a Christmas lunch for your child, served on 16<sup>th</sup> December, has now passed. If you have not pre-ordered, please send your child in with a packed lunch on the day. On the same day we will hold a 'Wear a Christmas Jumper' fundraising event for Save the Children.

Finally, last week our catering team received a visit from the Health and Safety Bureau who came to carry out an inspection of our kitchen. Sharon, our cook, has been awarded a Certificate of Excellence which we are delighted about. I am sure you will join me in congratulating her and her team.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Anna Smith

### CALENDAR DATES

While some key dates appear below, please continue to refer to this section in our newsletter throughout the year as new dates will be added on a regular basis as events come up. Any new additions (or any changes and deadlines) are highlighted in blue.

3<sup>rd</sup> December Year 6 Trip to Bletchley Park

5<sup>th</sup> December Year 5 Trip to the Harry Potter Studios
7<sup>th</sup> December Cookham Christmas Street Fayre
9<sup>th</sup> December EYFS & KS1 Nativity Performance 2pm
10<sup>th</sup> December EYFS & KS1 Nativity Performance 6pm

11th December A team football match v St Edmund Campion (away), selected children informed by letter

15<sup>th</sup> December Carols with the Choirs in Holy Trinity Church 6:30pm

16th December Christmas Lunch (please book via ScoPay) & Christmas Jumper Day in aid of Save the Children UK

17th December Rock Steady Concert, school hall 9:30am

17<sup>th</sup> December EYFS & KS1 Christmas Party PTA Carols in the Courtyard

18<sup>th</sup> December Christmas Service in Holy Trinity Church 10:30am

18th December EYFS & KS1 trip to the pantomime in the Wycombe Swan pm

18<sup>th</sup> December KS2 Christmas Party

# 22<sup>nd</sup> December – 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan Christmas Holiday

Netball Match v Cookham Dean away (selected children to be informed by letter)

12<sup>th</sup> February Borough Dance Festival (Year 4 participating – details to follow)

2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> March Book week

3<sup>rd</sup> March Virtual Parent Consultations 5<sup>th</sup> March Virtual Parent Consultations

14<sup>th</sup> March PTA Ball

18th March Ascot Bake-Off Finals (Year 5 participating – details to follow)

25<sup>th</sup> March Rock Steady Concert, school hall 9:30am

# 30<sup>th</sup> March – 10<sup>th</sup> April Easter Holiday

8<sup>th</sup> May Cookham Festival Schools' Event (tbc)

11<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> May KS2 SATs

19th May Scholastic Book Fair arriving

5<sup>th</sup> June PTA Disco

8<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> June Arts and Culture Week

12<sup>th</sup> June Arts and Culture Week Performance pm

17<sup>th</sup> June Arthur Burgin Exhibition (Year 6)

22<sup>nd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> June Y6 Residential Trip 22<sup>nd</sup> – 2<sup>nd</sup> July Sports Fortnight 3<sup>rd</sup> July Sports Day 4<sup>th</sup> July HT Fest

10<sup>th</sup> July Spanish Assembly

16<sup>th</sup> July Last Day of Term – Leavers' Assembly (details tbc)