

# THE JUNIOR

# TIMES

## CALENDAR

### THE WEEK AHEAD

#### Monday 29th - 14th Week of Term

*Homework Holiday & Reading Week*

Staff Academic Focus Meeting 4.15pm

#### Tuesday 30th

*St Andrew's Day*

Choristers Sing Evensong at Guards' Chapel, London all day

U8 Tag Rugby Festival v RGS **The Grange** (a) 2pm

U9 Rugby Festival v King's St Alban's (a) 2pm

U8/9 Hockey v The Downs (a) 2.30pm

### DECEMBER

#### Wednesday 1st

*Oakeley Day*

ABRSM Music Examinations all day

U11 A & ~~U10 A/B~~ Rugby v **RGS The Grange** (a) 2.30pm

U10 A Rugby v King's Hawford 2.30pm

U10 B Rugby v King's St Alban's (a) 2.30pm

U10 C Rugby v King's St Alban's (a) 2.30pm

U11 A&C Hockey v **RGS The Grange** (a) 2.30pm

U10 Hockey v **King's Hawford (Bridge St., Leominster)** 2.30pm

#### Thursday 2nd

ABRSM Music Examinations all day

#### Friday 3rd

ABRSM Music Examinations all day

~~PTA Christmas Bazaar, Dining Hall~~ 3-4.30pm

### LOOKING FURTHER AHEAD

#### Monday 6th - 15th Week of Term

Pre-Prep (Y2) Dress Rehearsal & Photographs, St David's Hall 9.30am

#### Tuesday 7th

Christmas Celebration Rehearsal, St David's Hall 8.45-10.25am

Pre-Prep (Y2) Christmas Production, St David's Hall 2pm

Y3&4 House Hockey Festival, Hereford Lesiure Centre 2.15pm

Y3&4 House Tag Rugby Festival, Wyaside 2.15pm

#### Wednesday 8th

Chorister Parents' Calendar Meeting 8.45am

Y3-6 Celebration of Christmas Rehearsal, Cathedral 1-3.30pm

Calendar Planning Meeting, Briscoe Room 5pm

Y3-6 Celebration of Christmas, Cathedral 7pm

#### Thursday 9th

Pre-Prep (Y1) Dress Rehearsal & Photographs, St David's Hall 11 am

Junior Christmas Party pm

#### Friday 10th

Pre-Prep (Y1) Christmas Production, St David's Hall 2pm

Y5&6 House Hockey, Hereford Leisure Centre 2.15pm

Y5&6 House Rugby, Wyaside 2.15pm

House Point Deadline (Second Half of Term) 4pm

#### Saturday 11th

Old Herefordians' Day

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK...

Finn Goodwin, Molly Goodwin, Daisy Hall, Jacob Hantschar, Jack Pinnell, Eliza Nolan and Lawrence Labbett.



## FROM THE HEAD

I have enjoyed meeting with some of our Year 6 prefects this week at break times. While I suspect the hot chocolate on offer has been more of a draw to the children than speaking to the Head, I have been impressed with the maturity and consideration that the children have demonstrated, as we have discussed issues in school and wider afield.



One of the topics of discussion was connected with the recent COP26 conference in Glasgow. It was clear that this is an event that had resonated with many of our Year 6s and they were keen to discuss ways that they, in school, could make small changes which would have a positive, cumulative effect. We considered some of the changes that have already been put in place in school, such as solar panels on some roofs, our waste being sorted and recycled, replacing light bulbs in school with energy efficient alternatives, waterless urinals and the purchase of a school electric vehicle. They made some suggestions too which included electric minibuses, water saving devices within cisterns, a reduction in our reliance on paper and lights on sensors in communal areas.

The climate change challenges that faces our pupil's generation are significant and it is likely that many of their career paths will be intertwined with this topic.

Our Senior leadership team recently met with Professor Dave Allan who is a Senior Lecturer and course tutor at NMITE, the new Engineering University in Hereford. He gave us a passionate presentation about the importance and role of engineering in the face of a fast-changing world. He put an emphasis on our pupils becoming problem solvers, independent thinkers and in his words 'becoming game changers'.

These are certainly aims that are shared by our staff and we will continue to consider ways in which we can support the children in these shared aspirations.

Enjoy a restful weekend.



## ASSEMBLIES THIS WEEK

There have been a wide variety of themes in assemblies this week. Mr Debenham began the week by talking to the Pre-Prep children about having opinions and the importance of freedom of expression. While his opinion that 'everyone should own a dog' was popular, there was less support for his opinion that 'no one should be allowed to drive on Thursdays'.

On Tuesday and Wednesday 4W led assembly with a wildlife theme. They shared their PowerPoints on an animal and butterfly of their choice, wowing their peers with their fun and fascinating facts.

The week concluded with a visit from Mrs Beavan and some members of Year 11 who led an open book assembly around the Bible story of Noah and The Flood.

## CHRISTMAS POST BOX

The Christmas Post Box will be open from Friday 3rd December until Friday 10th December. We are grateful to 6G and 6J, who will be acting as our Posties during this time. To make their job much easier, please could you ensure that all envelopes are clearly named (first and last name), as well as the form that they are in.

## EXTRA LAYERS

A reminder to all parents to bring extra layers for their children as ventilation is required throughout the school.

## CELEBRATION OF CHRISTMAS



Years 3-6 having been working hard towards their Celebration of Christmas taking place on Wednesday 8th December. The songs are starting to sound really good and it promises to be a very exciting evening. Parents have all received a letter with details of the arrangements. Please do start digging out those Santa Hats!

## MERITS

Oliver Cooke, Charlie Fowler, Glasha Connolly, Monty Bayles-Gungabissoon, Gabriel O'Rourke and George Debenham.

## NURSERY

'Winter's coming' is our topic for Nursery over the next few weeks. We have been discussing the changes we will see as well as exploring the different types of weather in Winter. The children have made some beautiful snowflakes and have started creating Christmas reindeers. We have also made our own name snowmen to hang around the classroom.



## GAMES DEPARTMENT

Last Friday, we took some U9s and U11s to RGS The Grange to take part in their Cross Country event. With lots of schools there, the competition was fierce but everybody who ran did very well. There were some great individual performances which helped us do well in the team standings. Both the U9 girls and U11 girls finished 3rd in their section which was a great achievement.

On Tuesday, all available Year 3&4 boys travelled to King's St Alban's for matches and this coming Tuesday, they will be involved in festivals.

Because of Covid in other schools, there are going to be some different arrangements with regards to fixtures in the next week. Rather than not play what would be the final matches of the term, we are in negotiation to see if we can play another school. All games and match information is available on [Firefly](#).

## YEAR 1

This half term Year 1 have been working on the story of 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' by Michael Rosen. We have used adjectives to describe the characters, we have written letters and investigated the cave where the bear lives. We have even acted out the story and created freeze frames using different actions to show different parts of the story. This week we have used our story maps to help us write our own version of the story and we are hoping to turn these into our very own books.



**Wednesdays 2-3pm**

- 1 December:** Christmas craft
- 12 January:** Winter
- 19 January:** Numbers
- 26 January:** Nursery rhymes
- 2 February:** Chinese New Year



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## CASTLE HILL HOLIDAY CLUB

Castle Hill Holiday Club (for Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 pupils) will be running during the Christmas holidays on the following days:

Thursday 16th December  
Friday 17th December  
Monday 20th December  
Tuesday 21st December  
Wednesday 22nd December

Booking forms are now available for parents via the following Firefly link [HERE](#).

Booking is essential and bookings close on **Thursday 9th December**.

Please find a link to the General Information page [HERE](#).

In order for parents to plan their future holiday childcare requirements, please find a calendar for Castle Hill Holiday Club for the remainder of the academic year 2021/22. Bookings for our February half term provision will be available immediately after the Christmas holiday. The calendar can be found [HERE](#).

## CHANGE for *Change*

From 6-15 December we will be collecting coins in school to support three special charities.

The coins will be collected in buckets at the school entrances.

The total amount will be divided equally between: St John's Ambulance, Alzheimer's Society and TeamSeas.



Monday 6 December: 1p  
Tuesday 7 December: 2p  
Wednesday 8 December: 5p  
Thursday 9 December: 10p  
Friday 10 December: 20p  
Monday 13 December: 50p  
Tuesday 14 December: £1  
Wednesday 15 December: £2



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## MACBETH TICKETS

Tickets are now on sale for Hereford Cathedral School's much-anticipated production of Macbeth at The Courtyard on 2-4 February 2022 at 7.30pm. Tickets £15, concessions £8. To purchase tickets, click [HERE](#) or call the Box Office on 01432 340555.



WORDS OF  
THE WEEK

This week's Words of the Week are:

Year 3 - Complete  
Year 4 - Extreme  
Year 5 - Convenience  
Year 6 - Environment



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FORTHCOMING OPEN EVENTS:

Play & Discover (for age 0-3) Wednesday 1st December, HCJS Nursery from 2-3pm.

ONLINE RESOURCES: CLICK TO FOLLOW LINKS

[Letters to Parents](#)

[School Calendar](#)

[Games & Match Information](#)

[Boys Team Lists](#)

[Girls Team Lists](#)

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