

CALENDAR

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday 17th - 3rd Week of Term

Health & Safety Meeting, Briscoe Room	4pm
Y3 Focus Meeting for Staff	4.15pm
PTA Committee Meeting, St David's Hall	7.30pm

Wednesday 19th

Winterfold House Colts A Football Tournament	1.30pm
Colts B&D Football v The Downs (h)	2.30pm
Colts A&B Netball v The Downs, The Point 4, Hereford	2.15pm
Colts C Netball v The Downs, The Point 4, Hereford	3pm

Thursday 20th

Senior School 11+ Music Scholarship Auditions	all day
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Friday 21st

Senior School Internal 11+ Examinations, St David's Hall	9am-12.30pm
Reception Trip to Café Ascari, Hereford	9.30am

LOOKING FURTHER AHEAD

Monday 24th - 4th Week of Term

Senior School Internal 11+ Examinations, St David's Hall	9.30-10.30am
Y3 Parents' Evening, St David's Hall	3.45-6.15pm

Tuesday 25th

U8/9 A,B,C&D Football v RGS The Grange (h)	2.30pm
U8/9 A,B,C&D Netball v RGS The Grange (a)	2..30pm

Wednesday 26th

School Service (Y3-6) led by 6G, Cathedral	8.50am
Colts A&C Netball v RGS The Grange (h)	2.30pm

Thursday 27th

Governors Education Committee Meeting, Briscoe Room	4pm
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Friday 28th

Senior School 11+ Academic Scholarship Day	all day
Cathedral Safeguarding Meeting, College Hall	2.15pm

Saturday 29th

Colts A Football v The Downs (a)	2.30pm
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK...

Glasha Connolly, Raffy Wood, Sophia O'Leary and Gauranga Rao.

AND HAPPY BIRTHDAY OVER THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY TO...

Toby Baxter, Everly Coughlin, Isla Powell, Esha Chalasani, Jessica Austin, Matilda Coleman, Hector Jefferson, Matilda Bevan, Avitej Singh, Jemima Hayes and Daniel Storey.



FROM THE HEAD

Happy New Year and welcome to the first Junior Times of 2022. Have we really only been back a little over a week?! The start of a new year is always an exciting time and it was wonderful to welcome back the pupils last week and hear of their exciting Christmas adventures.



Matches and 11+ examinations and scholarships dominate the school calendar next week and may I take this opportunity to wish all our exam candidates the best of luck with their various endeavours. Speaking to some of the Year 6 pupils in advance of their exams, the general feeling is a healthy mixture of excitement and nerves. As ever, we will do everything to ensure that they are supported through these processes and that they are a positive experience for all.

Listening to the pupil voice is central to everything that we do in the Junior School. The School Council met this week, ably chaired by Miss Jeynes, and reviewing the minutes it is interesting to read of the children's priorities and mature, considered ideas for school improvement. School Council have also been tasked with deciding on how the school will celebrate Red Nose Day on Friday 18th March and raise funds for this excellent cause - watch this space for further details.

We also welcomed 10 youngsters of pre-Nursery age (and their parents/grandparents) to our first Play and Discover session of term on Wednesday afternoon. Anyone with children of pre-Nursery age is welcome and please do get in touch if this is something that you would be interested in attending.

Have a great weekend.

LAMDA SPEECH & DRAMA RESULTS

Huge congratulations to all those pupils who took LAMDA exams as part of their Speech and Drama lessons at the end of last term. The combined result of 30 distinctions and 5 merits, is a wonderful reward for the children's hard work and dedication. Thank you also to Mrs Sockett for all her hard work preparing the pupils for these exams.

MERITS

Isla Storey x 2, Tabitha Batchelor x 2, Richie Wang, Emily Evans, Layla Chapman, Emily Jones, Margot Turner, Grayson O'Neill, George Brown, Matilda Coleman, Solilia Peppercorn, Jessica Jennings, Harriet Baxter, Amelia Nicholson, James Nolan, Darcey Sherief, Millie Wyatt, Daisy Courtney, Jose Francisco Noronha, Harriet Morgan and Ethan Aye-Maung.

ASSEMBLIES THIS WEEK

On Monday and Wednesday in assemblies, Mr Debenham talked to the children about using the rings of a tree to consider our aims and aspirations for the year ahead. Looking at a cross section of a tree we learnt how the rings of a tree can tell us so much more than just how old a tree is, indicating the weather across the years and the good and bad years for growth. Mr Debenham challenged the children to make this a really good year for their own growth across all areas of school life, including undertaking new opportunities and choosing new challenges.

On Friday, Mrs Denny spoke to the Year 3&4 pupils about becoming more resilient and how they can support their friends to also become more resilient. She shared the story 'The Hope-o-potamus' to highlight how, even when things get really difficult, to never give up. The children were invited to share times when they didn't give up and to reflect on the positive things that happened because they didn't. They also thought about encouraging things that they could say to one another to stop them from giving up. Mrs Denny has challenged Year 3&4 to be a Hope-o-potamus this year!

CONGRATULATIONS TO OLIVER C

Huge congratulations to Oliver C who has become a full chorister and was officially 'ruffed' at the end of the Autumn term. Mr Debenham was delighted to be able to award Oliver his chorister tie in the first assembly of term and tell the children something of the amazing daily commitment that the choristers make each and every week. Congratulations Oliver!

CHANGE FOR CHANGE

Thank you to everyone who donated to our Change for Change event last term. We raised a total of £702.01. This will be split between our chosen charities which are St John's Ambulance, Alzheimer's Society, #TEAMSEAS and SmileTrain.

NURSERY

A Happy New Year to all our Nursery families. We hope you had a wonderful break and are all very excited to be back in Nursery. The children have settled really well and have started to create some wonderful space ships, aliens and have shown real interest in learning about the different planets and what may live in outer space!



FIRST AID CLUB

At the end of last term, Mr Debenham presented First Aid Certificates to a small group of pupils from Year 5&6.



The First Aid Club is run by Mrs Warner who delivers a programme designed specifically for Primary Schools by the British Red Cross. The children learn some basic first aid skills as well as a group talk about the importance of kindness and how to be helpful in certain situations. There is a lot of fun and giggles when the children take part in role play and practise their skills on each other!

GAMES DEPARTMENT

The first full week of school has been completed and it has been a pleasant change to have some frosty starts to the day. Having extra layers on is certainly beneficial, especially if we are outside playing.

This Sunday, our hockey team is taking part in the County tournament which was postponed from December. We wish them well as they take on The Elms and The Downs.

Next week, our fixtures begin with football and netball on Wednesday. Further details will be on the team lists section.

At the end of last term, we handed out some awards for hockey and rugby. Well done to all of the winners but also to everybody who played their part in a very successful term.



Rugby

U9 Player Of The Year - James N
U9 Most Improved - Ethan A M
U10 POTY - Finn G
U10 Most Improved - George WC
U11 POTY - Freddie C
U11 Most Improved - Miles G

Hockey

U9 POTY – Sophie A
U9 Most Improved – Sophie P
U10 POTY – Margot T
U10 Most Improved – Layla C
U11 POTY – Jess A + Fearn M
U11 Most Improved - Daisy H



This week's Words of the Week are:

Year 3 - Describe
Year 4 - February
Year 5 - Definite
Year 6 - Foreign

BRONZE AWARD WINNERS YEAR 3 & 4

Congratulations to the below pupils for being awarded the Bronze Award last term.

BRITTEN

Seth Allmark, Ethan Aye-Maung, Harriet Baxter, Archie Billig, Matilda Coleman, Anna Dotchon, Willow Jones, Amelia Nicolson, Ava-Rose Sockett, Archie Turtle and Finlay Webb.



MATTHEWS

Martha Bozward, Jacob Edwards, Lily Foster, Johnny Grahame, Jessica Jennings, Rafe Lines, Alice Morgan, Francesca Ngouoto, James Nolan and Solilia Peppercorn.

OAKELEY

George Brown, Poppy Dorise, Aria Fellows-Butchart, Luisa Martins, Harriet Morgan, Kensi Stapleton, Solomon Wells, Juliette Wood and Ashley Wilson.

WOODALL

Sophie Austin, Albie Letts, Eliza Makaruk, Toby Maxted, Sophie Pursey, Darcey Sherief and Millie Wyatt.

BRONZE AWARD WINNERS YEAR 5 & 6

Congratulations to the below pupils for being awarded the Bronze Award last term.

BRITTEN

Max Baillie, Layla Chapman, Emily Jones, George Matli, Freddie Turtle, Richie Wang and Freya Webb.



MATTHEWS

Yvan Andrade, Henry Cobb, Guy Coleman, Oliver Cooke, Emily Evans, Matti Facchini-Zanini, Daisy Hall, Vanessa Holman, Anna Lines, Grayson O'Neill, Margot Turner and George Windsor-Collins.

OAKELEY

Summer Breeze, Florence Brown, Charlie Fowler, Finn Goodwin, Molly Goodwin, Hector Jefferson, Annie Macklin, Hunter Martin, William Morgan, Aiden O'Connor, Sophia O'Leary and Gabriel O'Rourke.

WOODALL

Jessica Austin, Freddie Clark, George Debenham, Jemima Hayes, Jemima Letts, Oscar Prosser, Gauranga Rao, Leonard Ray, Avitej Singh, Isla Storey, Toby Whitaker and Jessica Wolverson.

OPPORTUNITY FOR YOUNG RIDER WITH AN INTEREST IN DRESSAGE

We are looking for a young rider, small enough to train with our talented 13hh Welsh Sec B 8yr old mare and potentially compete when ready.

The full notice can be found [HERE](#).

If you are interested then please email Sarah Childs: sonnysarah1@gmail.com with details of your child's age and riding experience along with any questions.

HOUSE POINTS



The total house points for last term are:

Woodall	1815	1st
Oakeley	1801	2nd
Matthews	1792	3rd
Britten	1680	4th

Well done to Woodall for coming 1st place!

FORTHCOMING OPEN EVENTS:

Play & Discover (for age 0-3) Wednesday 19th January, HCJS Nursery from 2-3pm.
Play & Discover (for age 0-3) Wednesday 26th January, HCJS Nursery from 2-3pm.

ONLINE RESOURCES: CLICK TO FOLLOW LINKS

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