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Dear Parents and Guardians

Twelfth Night

Tomorrow is the final sell out performance of this wonderful production by pupils in Years 7 and 8. A fast paced, witty romp into the world of Duke Orsino and his futile attempts to woo Lady Olivia entranced last night's audience.

Advent Service

On Sunday we will hold our whole school annual candle-lit Advent Service in the School Memorial Chapel at 5.30pm. Pupils from the Prep School Chapel Choir will be participating, together with pupils from the Pre-Preparatory and Senior Schools.

Junior Christmas Concert

We look forward to providing an afternoon of good cheer and Christmas spirit to friends and family on December 1st at 3pm in the Prep Sports Hall. Refreshments will be served from 2.30pm. All parking for this event will be in the South car park please.

Prep School Christmas Concert

Please be aware that the date and venue for this concert has changed. The Christmas Concert will be a combined one with the Senior School in the **Arena** on **Thursday 8th December**. all parking should be in the South Car Park for this event.

Linguists of the month

Congratulations to the following pupils who all received their *Linguist of the Month* award during Monday's assembly:

Years 3 & 4

French - Henry Grey and Alice Wilson-Marsh

Years 5 & 6

French - Gabriel Brown and Lily Rose

Years 7 & 8

French – Luke Bond and Sophia Eaton.

Spanish - Sandro Chkhaidze and Sophia Meadows

German - Joe Morgan and Charlie Hodgson

Coats and Umbrellas

After this week's particularly wet weather and with the prospect of more to come as the winter progresses, please can all pupils ensure they have a coat in school. All pupils in Years 7 and 8 have to walk to the Senior School at least once a day and if they do not have a coat and/or

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umbrella then they will get wet if it is raining. We do not have the facilities in school to dry uniform and I am concerned about the number of pupils I see in school who are cold as they walk around the campus.

Pupils in Years 7 and 8 are permitted to have a regulation school umbrella (the telescopic type only) which can be purchased from the School Shop. They are also permitted to wear the Senior School navy reefer coat as well.

Pupils in Years 3 - 6 must have their regulation school waterproof coat in school every day. This is an important part of their uniform and is crucial on wet and cold days.

Thank you for your support in this matter.

School Shop notice

The school shop has a final clearance on sale items now up to 70% off, including selected Canterbury items.

Flu Immunisation Programme

Pupils in Year 3 are now eligible for the nasal spray flu vaccine as part of the Public Health Childhood Vaccination Programme. We have been given a provisional date for the immunisation team to visit the Prep School and administer the vaccinations, Thursday 12th January. Parents will receive consent forms to be completed in due course.

P.A. Christmas Shopping Event

A reminder that on Monday 12th December the PA will be holding their annual Christmas Shopping morning for our younger pupils. In order for this to be as successful and enjoyable as previous years the PA are asking for any donations of unwanted gifts, suitable for men and women, you may have at home. Collecting boxes will be placed in the main school office. Please support this wonderful and special event for the children. Please see attached leaflet for further details.

END OF TERM - Collection times Wednesday 14th December

Year 3 & 4 12 noon

Year 5 - 8 1.00pm after the Senior Carol Service

School closes for Christmas at 1.00pm - All pupils must be collected by this time.

The Senior Carol Service starts at 12.00noon in the Memorial Chapel and all parents are warmly invited.

Siblings of pupils in Years 5 – 8 will be supervised in Maple Hall until the Senior Carol Service has finished at 1.00pm.

Please be aware there will be no bus service after the morning run on Wednesday 14th December.

Fine Diners

Congratulations to the first of this academic year's fine diners in Years 3 and 4:

Sport:

Girls

On Tuesday evening, the U13B hockey team played in the B County hockey tournament away at Malvern St James. The girls were very successful not even conceding a single goal throughout the tournament and became County Champions. Well played to the whole squad and their coaches.

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The girls played the Dragon School for the second time this season and our results were much improved from the first round matches with some very close games. The U13C, U12A and U12C teams all drew and all other Senior teams lost by small margins. The U11s played RGS and our U11A lost on the final touch of the game 1-2, the U11Bs drew 1-1. The U10As lost 5-0 but the score did not reflect the game itself in terms of competitiveness and finally the U10B team won 8-0.

Netball training/matches info on Saturday mornings for the rest of term:

Sat 26th November:

Years 5 & 6 – netball training from 9.15am – 10.30am (drop off and pick up from Prep School). Years 7 & 8 - U13A, U13B, U12A netball matches v Yendy's netball club (10.30am meet at Prep School, 11.00am start, 12 midday finish). No Years 7 & 8 netball training for those not selected.

Sat 3rd December:

Years 5 & 6 – U11A, U11B, U10A, U10B netball matches v King Henry VII Prep School (meet at the chess board at 9.00am, start 9.30am, finish 10.30am Prep School pick up).

There will not be netball training for those not selected in Years 5 and 6.

Years 7 & 8 – U13B, U12A, U12B netball matches v The Downs Malvern College Prep (meet at the chess board at 10.15am, start 10.30am, finish 12 midday).

There will not be netball training for those not selected in Years 7 & 8 for those not selected.

Sat 10th December:

Years 5 & 6 – netball training 9.15am – 10.30am (drop off and pick up from Prep School). Years 7 & 8 – netball training 10.45am – 12 midday (drop off and pick up from Prep School).

Boys

On Saturday the four U12 rugby teams hosted RGS High Wycombe. The U12A team played extremely well and won 30-20 in a hard fought match. The U12B, U12C and U12D team also played well but lost their matches.

On Wednesday afternoon the U13B rugby team played The Down's Malvern College U13B's and lost 10-30. The U12A and U12B teams played The Crypt Grammar School, Gloucester and both won 35-5 and 25-5 respectively. The U11's and U10s played against RGS The Grange and King Henry VIII, Coventry. The U11A's won 25-5, U11B's won 55-0, U11C's won 40-35, U11D's won 35-25 while the U10A's won 15-10, U10B's drew 25-25, U10C's won 45-35 and the U10D's 75-40. Many congratulations to all the boys who took part in these fixtures versus four schools.

On Thursday the U9A, U9B, U9C and U9D teams enjoyed playing against King's St.Albans, Worcester.

Wednesday 30th November

U12B and U12C rugby versus Parkside Middle School, Bromsgrove (away) 2.30 pm kick offs

Pupil News

Many congratulations to Emily Dyer (Year 6) who participated in the British Skipping Championships last weekend in Glasgow.

Emily achieved three gold and one bronze medal; an excellent achievement. Emily has now been selected to represent the UK in the World Skipping Championships next July in Orlando, Florida.

Congratulations to Freddie Slater (Year 4) who has successfully completed in the Supernationals Kart Event in Las Vegas. He qualified in pole position in the Micro Swifts and finished in second place, a mere 0.129 seconds behind the race winner. Another fantastic achievement.

Lost property

Alice Wilson-Marsh - waterproof Isaac Bradford-Gibbs - maroon school jumper Lily Milojevic - white skin Alice Wilson-Marsh - waterproof Joshua Graesser - waterproof

Attached

Christmas chocolate tombola years 3 - 8

Yours sincerely

Jacqui Deval-Reed Headmistress