



Newsletter 10 – 17th November 2017

I thought Christmas had come early on Wednesday evening when our new website appeared to have gone live at long last. Unfortunately it returned to the old website yesterday morning. I have been promised that it will be up and running within 48 hours! When it does go live please take a look and spend some time getting familiar with the new website. The calendar and the class pages will be of particular interest as they contain lots of information and some beautiful photos.

Thank you to all the Prep 6 and Prep 7 parents who attended the meeting about changes that will happen in January. We are very excited to be able to offer, at this time, two classes in Prep 6 and a creative arts project for the Prep 7 girls. We look forward to the Prep 7 performance of the Shakespeare play "A Winter's Tale" in March 2017.

This was the first meeting regarding changes for January. The second meeting will be held for all parents at 7 p.m. on Thursday 23rd November. This meeting will address changes to improve the security of the school. These changes will have an impact on the timings of the school day, particularly the drop off in the morning, and the provision of extended care.

I hope to see as many of you as possible at this meeting and look forward to working with you to improve the care for your daughters.

Dates for the Week Ahead –

Saturday 18 th November		Cross Country at John Leigh ISA Swimming Gala in Macclesfield
Monday 20 th November	12.40pm 3.30pm-4.30pm 3.30pm-4.30pm 4.00pm-5.00pm	P6 will visit the Grammar School. String Group in the Hall Football Club Preps 2-7 French Club After School Study Session Prep 6
Tuesday 21 st November	7.45am-8.30am 12.45pm-1.00pm 3.45pm-4.45pm 7p.m.	Gymnastics in the Hall Preps 3-7 Cross Country Preps 3-7 Basketball Club Preps 6-7 2 nd parent meeting for Sacramental Preparation
Wednesday 22 nd November	7.45am-8.30am 10.30am-11.00am 12.30pm-1.00pm 3.30pm-4.30pm 3.45pm-4.45pm 3.45pm-4.45pm	Table Tennis in the Hall Preps 3-7 Change4Life Club Preps 4-5 Netball Preps 4-7 Infant Art Club Badminton Club Preps 4-7 Chess Club P6 & P7 to visit St Bede's for a performance of Fame.
Thursday 23 rd November	12.30pm 3.45pm-4.45pm 3.30pm-4.15pm 7p.m.	Recorder Group in the Hall Junior Art Club Zumbatomic Parent meeting about changes.
Friday 24 th November	12.30pm 3.45pm-4.45pm	Orchestra in the Hall Streetdance
Saturday 25 th November	11.00am-2.00pm	Christmas Fair at the Grammar School

Staying Warm

Winter weather has definitely arrived and it is much more chilly on the playground. Please ensure that your daughter is dressed appropriately – coat, hat and gloves. These items are easily misplaced, so labelled clothing is much more likely to find its way back to the rightful owner.



Sports News

Good luck to all the girls competing at the Cross Country competition at the weekend and those in the swimming gala.

Hidden Gem

Prep 6 and Prep 7 will be singing carols at one of the lunchtime Advent Services at St Mary's Church (The Hidden Gem) in Manchester on Thursday 7th December. You are very welcome to join us for the Mass and choir performance at the church. Further details can be found on the calendar page of our new website.

Sacramental Preparation Programme

The second meeting for The Parental Programme is at 7p.m. on Tuesday 21st November. Father Geoff O' Grady is our guest speaker.

LPA News

Thank you to all those who attended the Family Night and danced the night away. The event raised almost £900.

This year the LPA are raising money for playground equipment – the girls have a large wish list including climbing frames, trim trails and much more. Every pound raised will bring us closer to making their wishes come true.

The next LPA event is the Christmas Fair which is due to take place in the Grammar school on Saturday 25th November from 11am to 2pm. The LPA have planned eclectic mixture of stalls – there will be something for everyone. In addition they will be offering refreshments and entertainment provided by our girls and many more - truly a recipe for a festive fun.

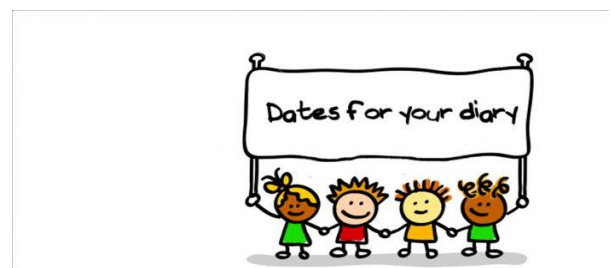
The LPA would be very grateful for any help that you could offer on either the days that lead up to the fair or on the day of the fair itself – many hands make light work!

Could everyone please remember to return their raffle ticket stubs and send in your bags of gold and green goodies if you haven't already done so.



Dates for your diary.

Advent service –Friday 1st December 2017
Hidden Gem – Thursday 7th December 2017
Infant Nativity – Tuesday 12th December 2017
Party Games, Christmas Lunch & Magic Show –
Wednesday 13th December
Musical Coffee Morning & Christmas Jumper Day –
Thursday 14th December
Carol Service – Friday 15th December.



Times will be confirmed in letters and on our new website.

The next few weeks are very busy so please keep an eye out for any communication from school. Have a good weekend.

Mrs Roberts