

Whole School News

Parent Portal

We hope that all parents are finding the parent portal useful. We would ask that all parents check that their contact details and their child's medical details are correct and to let us know if they require an amendment.

Christmas Market Saturday, 12th November 10.00 am – 12.30 pm

Please join us for this wonderful event run by the FOBP. **As you will see from the attached list, there will be a multitude of stalls selling a superb array of gifts, food and many other wares.** Father Christmas will be in his Grotto and there will be plenty of games provided by the Prep School staff to amuse the children while parents can look for the perfect Christmas gift. There will also be cupcakes to pre-order and details of how to do this are also loaded onto the Parent Portal.

The children will be helping to run some of the stalls and we would be grateful for donations of the following:

- Second Hand Toys, Games, Books and DVDs (no videos please).
- Hamper items for the raffle.

We hope that as many of you as possible will join us. The Christmas cards will also be ready for collection at the Market.

Christmas Shoebox Appeal

Could all boxes for this very worthwhile appeal be in school by Friday, 18th November. Leaflets for this are available from the Office.

Children in Need Friday, 18th November

The School will be supporting BBC Children in Need on Friday 18th November and we shall be raising money for this amazing event through the children wearing their own clothes into school on that day. Could I ask the children to bring in £1 for the day please.

Coffee Morning, Friday, 18th November 8.30 am

Please do join us for a cup of coffee. Parents are very welcome to join the Prep Awards Assembly which will conclude at 9.00 am.

Cooking Workshop, Friday, 18th November 9.15 am

There are still places left on our Cooking Workshop, which was postponed from earlier this term. Craig, our Senior School chef, and Sarah Watson will be helping you make a variety of canapés ready for the Christmas season. The cost for this will be £10.00. Places are limited and will be booked on a first come first served basis and only once payment has been received. Please let the School Office know as soon as you can if you would like to attend.

Flu Vaccinations, Friday, 25th November

The flu vaccinations are taking place on Friday, 25th November for those children in Years 1, 2 and 3 who have completed the required paperwork requesting this.

School Shop closed

The school shop will be closed on the following dates:

November 18th, 25th, 26th

December 2nd, 3rd

We are very sorry for any inconvenience that this may cause.

Prep News

Year 4 River Trips

The Geography river trip for 4CH will be taking place on Tuesday, 15th November and for 4CR on Thursday, 17th November. Please could you ensure that you child has wellington boots, a warm waterproof coat, hat, gloves and their sports' kit in school.

Speech and Drama Recital Monday, 21st November 5.00 pm

This is an addition to the calendar and will involve all those children who have Speech and Drama lessons with Mrs Rochfort. Parents of these children are very welcome to attend.

Jersey Tour

Please could we remind parents that the final payment of £400 is due today.

Gate Duty Staff

Please could we remind you that the person who is on gate duty in the morning is checking children in and ensuring that they are all safe. If you have a message or wish for some information could we ask you to pop into the School Office.

UK Bebras Computational Thinking Challenge

Over the next two weeks, all pupils in the Prep School will take part in the 'UK Bebras Computational Thinking Challenge'. This proved to be hugely popular with the children last year with some exceptional individual performances across all year groups. If you would like to see what this is all about, or if your child would like to have a go at some contests from previous years ahead of the 2016 event, please visit <http://challenge.bebras.uk> and follow the 'Challenges' tab at the top of the page. Good luck!

Pre-Prep News

Nursery Café Event

The first Café Event of the new academic year will be held on Friday the 18th November from 2.30 pm until 3.30 pm. This is an opportunity for the parents of children in Nursery 1 and 2 to come along and spend some time with their child undertaking some book related activities in the Nursery classrooms. This will be followed by a delicious tea in the Pre-Prep Hall. Please let us know if you are able to join us that afternoon by emailing Mrs Filmer-Bennett or letting your child's teacher know. We look forward to welcoming you to this popular event.

Parents' Evenings

Thank you to all of the parents who attended our Kindergarten, Years 1 and 2 Parents' Evening last just before half term. We enjoyed spending time reporting on the progress that your children have made since the start of term and we hope you found it informative and helpful.

The second Nursery Parents' Evening of the term for the parents of children in Nursery 1 and 2 will be held on Monday the 28th November between 4.00 pm and 7.00 pm.