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HEAD MASTER'S NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents,

The first newsletter of the second half of the Michaelmas term and this 'half' has certainly started at a tremendous pace! As ever, the pupils have been extremely busy and I very much hope that you will enjoy reading about the various activities, fixtures and events that they have been involved in. As is customary, I will highlight various key dates and events taking place over the next few weeks.

Recent activities, events and fixtures

Netball

After the half term break, the girls were raring to go and very excited about their matches against Bishopsgate School. The girls displayed some fantastic netball throughout the afternoon and we managed to get some great results against a tough opposition.

Year 5A – Lost 7 - 4

A challenging match for the A team this week. The Bishopsgate girls had quick movement up and down the court right from the off and with St George's making some silly errors, Bishopsgate managed to gain a lead in the 3rd quarter and went on to secure a 7 – 4 win.

Year 5B – Won 4 -1

The Year 5B team should be exceptionally proud of their performance this week. Every single girl gave 100% throughout the match and the girls displayed some amazing teamwork in every quarter. I was particularly impressed with their movement on the court and their fast drives onto the ball. A fantastic result for the whole team and thoroughly deserved. Well done!

Year 6A – Won 17 – 0

Another exceptional display of netball from these girls against a team who have, in the past, been a tough opposition. Even though the girls were clearly winning, they did not give up the fight and continued to build on their ever increasing lead. A huge thank you to Freya Willcox for stepping in to the Year 6 team at the last minute.



Inter-House Football

Last Friday, house-spirit echoed through the corridors as Inter-House football took place. Every boy in Year 3 – 8 and for the first time, a fantastic number of girls took to the football pitch in the hope of winning the House football trophy. It was great to see so many people trying so hard to win points for their House and some brilliant football was played. The final results were as follows:

1st Rodney

2nd Victory

3rd Vindictive

4th Revenge

Well done to everyone who represented their House.

Mr Mitchell

Year 2 at Holme Grange

On Thursday 12th November all of Year 2 travelled to Holme Grange for an afternoon of sport. The children were extremely excited and filled with enthusiasm for the afternoon ahead.

The boys were split into three teams and played football matches which proved to be very close with some nail-biting moments. Some great skills were on show and it gave the boys the opportunity to practise the skills they have learned in a match situation.

The girls competed in relay races involving a variety of sports they have learned including hockey, netball, football and basketball. They showed some real skills and certainly put in to action what they have been practising.

Great fun was had by all and upon completion of the session the children all enjoyed match tea before returning to school.

This was a great opportunity for Year 2 to enjoy a sense of what is to come in Year 3 when they begin their competitive matches.

Many thanks to all the parents who came along to support.

Mrs Barlow

Other News

Barcelona Sports Tour – 2015

During the half term, 33 boys and girls attended our first ever football and netball tour to Barcelona. Our four night, five day trip was spent playing both football and netball and exploring Barcelona and the surrounding area. Highlights of the tour were visits to the world famous Sagrada Familia, the 1992 Olympic Park, the Nou Camp, Costa Brava Parc Aventura and of course playing against the local opposition. The children were an absolute pleasure to take away and were a credit to St George's. If you would like to see more pictures, follow us on twitter @stgwindsor.

Mr Mitchell



World Maths Day Results

We received St George's results from World Maths Day last week which made very interesting reading. On 14th October, 187 pupils from Years 3-8 took part in the event and between them they answered over 49,000 questions correctly. An amazing 36,000 minutes were spent on line taking part. Pupils with the top point scores in their maths set were awarded with a special certificate during assembly. Pupils can print off their own certificate using their log in details by following the link. <http://www.worldeducationgames.com/WEGRegistration/#/register>

Very well done to Faron Molla in Year 7 who achieved the highest point score in the school, Zara-Maia Thakrar in year 3 who came second and Arjan Walia and James Radford who were placed equal 3rd.

Miss Hewson

Remembrance Day

On 11th November, a two-minute silence was observed at St George's School to commemorate those who lost their lives in the First World War, and also those who have suffered in subsequent wars. At Windsor Castle, a short act of worship with two minute silence took place on the Parade Ground and this was very well attended. The Head Master was accompanied by Oliver Prew, Head of School, as they attended the ceremony in the Castle. They also laid a wreath at St George's Chapel underneath the Memorial Window. The Memorial Window over the Chapel's north door lists past pupils of the school who died in the First and the Second World Wars.

*They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old,
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn,
At the going down of the sun and in the morning,
We will remember them.*

Father Lee

The Week Ahead

Week 10 – Theme: Caring for each other

Weds 18 th – Fri 20 th :	Class based Assessments for pupils in Years 4 to 8
Wednesday 18 th November:	2.30pm – Senior fixtures as calendared
Friday 20 th November:	2.30pm – Junior fixtures as calendared

Saturday 21st November: Lantern Parade and the switching on of the Christmas Lights in Windsor. A special afternoon as the Christmas Season begins. (The full Chapel Choir will be singing on the stage on Castle Hill from approx. 5.00pm).

Week 11 – Theme: Caring for the Environment

Wednesday 25th November: 2.30pm – Senior fixtures as calendared

Friday 27th November: 8.40am – Chapel assembly for pupils in Years 2 to 8. Parents are warmly invited to join us for this service. Please be in school by 8.30am.
2.30pm – Junior fixtures as calendared

Sunday 29th November: Advent Sunday

Looking Further Ahead

Some key dates for your diary towards the end of term:

Thursday 3rd December: 10.00am – Nursery Christmas Play (Victoria)

Friday 4th December: 9.30am – Reception Christmas Play (Victoria)
1.00pm – Joint Houses Christmas Market

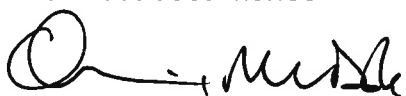
Saturday 5th December: Parents' Group Christmas Fair in school

Monday 7th December: Supers' Choir perform in a concert of Christmas Music at Cadogan Hall, Sloane Square. (details of how to purchase tickets are on the posters around school; they are NOT available from school).

Thursday 17th December: 5.15pm - SCHOOL CAROL SERVICE in St George's Chapel, Windsor Castle

This has been a very busy and successful start to the second half of the term and I look forward to the many special events and highlights to come. May I wish you and your families a very enjoyable and relaxing weekend.

Warmest best wishes



Chris McDade