



NEWSLETTER for PARENTS & CARERS
Week Ending: 30/11/2018

Diary Dates:

3/12/18	7C & 7S Visit Museum of London 8am
6/12/18	Antarctica Day
7/12/18	Occasional day – School closed
10/12/18	Action Plan Meeting for Parents 6pm
12/12/18	Joint Concert at Edwinstree 6:30pm
13/12/18	Y5 Christingle
14/12/18	Y5/Y6 Charity Disco 6pm-8pm
14/12/18	Christmas Jumper Day
17/12/18	Deadline for SENIOR CITIZENS Christmas Boxes of Joy
17/12/18	7R & 7F Visit Museum of London- 8am
20/12/18	Big Christmas Knit
21/12/18	Service at St Mary's Church Aspenden
21/12/18	End of term 2:30pm finish
7/1/19	Spring Term
4/2/19	Young Voices at the O2
13/5/19	SATS Week for Year 6

Action Plan Meeting for Parents – 10/12/18

We will be holding an Action Plan Meeting for Parents on 10/12/18 at 6pm. This meeting is for any Parent who is interested in the plan to address the next steps raised by Ofsted. We will shortly publish a parent friendly version of the school Action Plan so that you can hold us to account for the areas we still need to improve on.

Would you be willing to support the end of term walk to St Mary's Church Aspenden?

On the last day of term, we will be walking the school to St Mary's Church in Aspenden for our annual Christmas service with Reverend Ian Hill. If you are available, we would very much appreciate parents' support by walking the students to and from St Mary's Church. On the way back, we will be offering students a break at St Peter's Church for hot chocolate and a Christmas biscuit. Like last year, we are calling on the huge array of bakers to help support us in providing biscuits for the day. Bakers can drop these off at reception either the day before or on the last morning of term by 9am.

Year 8 Normandy Visit

Final payments for Normandy are now due. Please contact the school if you need extra time, but we are due to pay the remainder of the money to the travel company in the next few weeks. If we do not receive the payments and do not hear from you, we will assume that your child no longer wishes to go and we will remove their name from the list. There are also a few outstanding forms that need to be handed in, we will get these reissued so they can be completed and returned asap. Thank you for your support, Miss Bustard

Christmas Jumper Day 14/12/18 - No donations necessary: this is a fun day!

What is happening in Collective Worship during Advent and how can you help?

Over Advent we will focus on the four key areas of 'joy, love, peace and hope' which the Christian calendar celebrates during this season of goodwill, culminating in the birth of Jesus. We launch Advent with the theme of 'joy' and we need your help. Each tutor group will be asked to contribute to a Christmas hamper that we will wrap and deliver to senior citizens in the local community. Are you able to donate one gift, something yummy that will make a member of our elderly community smile? Anything that your family feels is an edible treat for you, will work for them. When we did this last year the senior citizens loved their gifts with the odd bottle of booze thrown in. The students got a really warm feeling from making someone smile, so please when you are out shopping could you add something extra for a senior citizen? Collections from Monday 3/12/18 – 17/12/18

Y5/Y6 Christmas Disco on Friday 14th December

Freman College students are organising a Y5/Y6 Disco to raise funds for their Dragon's Den competition. Tickets will be on sale from Friday of next week at **£2.50** each. Please note: no mobile phone will be accepted into the disco and no 'heelines' to be worn. The event will take place from 6pm-8pm and we hope your child will take the opportunity to have fun. Tickets will be sold on a first come first served basis.

What happened at the students' Internet Safety Training?

Please see the attached power point highlighting the key areas covered in their training. If students left with no other message, your child should be busy changing their privacy settings on all devices, games and apps and turning off tracking on all devices.

Film Club

After another very successful term, The Young FilmMakers Club will be returning to Edwinstree for the Spring Term. The term will commence on Wednesday January 9th 2019 from 3:20pm to 4:20pm and run for 10 weeks. Your child will Storyboard their ideas in teams, learn to work and share their ideas as a group, watch or take part in auditions, write scripts, plan costumes and what is needed for the set & how to set up the green screens and camera. Your child will also learn to film using the camera, learn the role of director & clapperboard operator. With their work fully edited at the end of term. For any queries on please contact Gillian on 07341305131 or email on northhertsyounghfilmclub@gmail.com **booking is now open, spaces are limited**, to secure your child a place log on to www.youngfilmclub.co.uk & select BOOK YOUR CHILDS PLACE.

SNOW: What are our procedures! We hope we are getting ahead of the game but, based on Parents' advice from last year and our own review. Further information early next week

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Film Club, Internet Safety

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