

Friday 8th November 2019

Weekly Newsletter

Firstly I must extend a huge thank you to the Fosse Association for last week's Pumpkin Trail and the stall they ran at the Tonbridge Fireworks on Sunday. I cannot express enough how grateful the whole school is for the time and effort the parents on the Fosse Association put into raising funds for the benefit of the children.



Wednesday 6th November started with our Individual Music Recital. I was very impressed by the standard of playing and singing and with the confidence shown by all the children. We have many talented musicians.



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We are very proud of our Y4, 5 and 6 girls who played netball against Derwent Lodge on Wednesday. It was the first time the team had all played together as a mixed age group and the girls adapted well to the new formation against Derwent Lodge's Under 11's. A tough game and despite being defeated, the Fosse girls played with superb determination. A special thank you goes to Iona and Darcey for stepping in at the last minute, and congratulations to Iris who was nominated Player of the Match by our visiting team.

Our Y5/6 boys played football against Radnor House. It was a very competitive match with both teams playing exceptional football. Unfortunately they lost 6-2 but there were lots of positives for Fosse. They progress that has been made is outstanding and the boys should be very proud of themselves.



On Thursday, the Y3/4 girls took to the hockey courts against Russell House. The A team played first and fought hard in their attack, while Iona and Maddie worked brilliantly together to try and create space for passing. Second on were the B team and it was lovely to see an increase in confidence to tackle. Well done to Imogen for scoring a superb goal and to Iona who was recognised as Player of the Match in both games.



The Christmas Holiday Club booking system is now live on ParentMail. Please ensure you have entered your requirements by **Monday 18th November**. Invoices will be applied to your child's ParentMail account shortly after this date and will need to be cleared prior to the club occurring.

Monday 11th November is Y3-6 is our Remembrance Service at the church. All children in Y3-6 need to wear their blazers, coats and hats. We welcome any parent helpers who might like to accompany the staff and children. If you are interested please let Miss Greener in the office know.

The School Ramble is taking place on the morning of **Friday 15th November** to raise money for Children in Need. Please refer to the letter that was sent out earlier this week for more detailed information. You can access the fundraising page [here](#) should you wish to make a donation.

The Spring Clubs 2020 booking system goes live at 4.30pm today – please do read the letter that was sent out as several clubs have moved days and some are no longer available such as Cheerleading. The cost of clubs where external tutors or companies are used will be increasing from the Spring term to £65 (where previously £55) and £80 (where previously £77). These increases are purely attributable to the rising costs of engaging these external tutors and will continue to be reviewed going forwards, while also seeking good value at all times. Clubs run by our own teachers continue to be free.

Also on the subject to clubs, moving forward due to numbers and the staffing required for Phoenix Club we will no longer be able to offer free pre-club sessions or post club sessions for those who are awaiting their sibling. We will however offer a reduced fee of £3.50 per session instead of £7.00. Phoenix Club will continue to be available on a non-fee paying basis for siblings of those taking part in a Fosse Bank School sports fixture.

This year's Carol Service will be taking place in the St Augustine Chapel at Tonbridge School from 6.30pm – 7.30pm. All children from Years 1-6 are expected to attend what will be a magical evening. An invitation has been sent out this week with further information regarding this event.

If you leave your vehicle in the car park during the day regularly (e.g commuting to London via train), please can you collect a windscreen sticker from the school office if you have not already done so.

On an academic note can I stress the importance of 'talk for write' homework. It has become obvious that this talking homework, usually given on Mondays to Year 3 to Year 6 is not always being completed. Following this homework children are encouraged to share what they have learnt and much of the week's English work is built on this. This activity is also important for learning public speaking and debating skills. And it is usually interesting!

Finally make sure you have the **Fosse Christmas Market** in your diary to get those all-important Christmas presents. It promises to be another fantastic event on Sunday 24th November starting at 1.00pm and running until 4.00pm

Best wishes

Alison Cordingley
Headmistress

Diary Dates for the future

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| Monday 11 th November | Y3-6 Remembrance Service at Church | 10.00am – 11.30am |
| Wednesday 13 th November | U11/10 Mixed Hockey v Hilden Oaks (away at Longmead) | 2.30pm – 4.00pm |
| Thursday 14 th November | U9/8 netball v Beechwood (away) | 2.30pm – 4.00pm |
| Friday 15 th November | School Ramble | 9.00am – 10.30am |
| Wednesday 20 th November | U11/10 Football v Beechwood (home) | 2.30pm – 4.00pm |
| Thursday 21 st November | Y3 Class Assembly (parents invited) | 9.00am - 9.30am |
| Thursday 21 st November | U9/8 Football v Beechwood (away) | 2.30pm – 4.00pm |
| Friday 22 nd November | Own clothes day in exchange for tombola bottles | |
| Sunday 24 th November | Fosse Association – Christmas Market | 1.00pm – 4.00pm |
| Wednesday 27 th November | U11/10 netball v Hilden Grange (home) | 2.30pm – 4.00pm |
| Thursday 28 th November | Y4 Class Assembly (parents invited) | 9.00am – 9.30am |
| Thursday 28 th November | U9/8 netball v Hilden Grange (home) | 2.30pm – 4.00pm |
| Monday 2 nd December | Carol service rehearsal | 9.00am – 12.00pm |
| Monday 2 nd December | Carol Service at Tonbridge School Chapel Y1-6 | 6.00pm – 7.00pm |
| Tuesday 3 rd December | Children to sing at Hildenborough Farmers Market Y3/4 | 9.30am – 10.30am |
| Tuesday 3 rd December | High Hopes Panto | |

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| Wednesday 4 th December | Sports Assembly | 1.20pm – 2.20pm |
| Thursday 5 th December | U9/8 football v Radnor (away) | 2.30pm – 4.00pm |
| Thursday 5 th December | U9/8 Netball v Radnor (home) | 2.30pm – 4.00pm |
| Thursday 5 th December | EYFS to Y2 Nativity (parents invited) | 9.30am – 10.30am |
| Friday 6 th December | Secret Santa | |
| Monday 9 th December | Little Fosse and Kindergarten reports to go out | |
| Wednesday 11 th December | Christmas jumper day, parties, lunch and singing around the tree at 3.00pm | |
| <i>12th December – 7th January</i> | <i>Christmas holiday (Holiday Club available for some dates)</i> | |
| Thursday 9 th January | U8/9 Netball v Beechwood (away) | 2.30pm – 4.00pm |
| Wednesday 15 th January | U11/10 Mixed Touch Rugby v Beechwood (Away) | 2.30pm – 4.00pm |
| Tuesday 21 st January | Little Fosse & Kindergarten Parents Evening | 3.45pm – 6.00pm |
| Thursday 6 th February | Y1/2 Assembly (parents invited) | 9.00am – 9.30am |
| Thursday 6 th February | U9/8 rugby v Mead (TBA) | 2.30pm – 4.00pm |
| <i>17th – 21st February</i> | <i>Half term (Holiday Club available)</i> | |
| Wednesday 26 th February | U10/11 Netball v Beechwood (home) | 2.30pm – 4.00pm |
| Thursday 27 th February | U9/8 Netball v The Mead (away) | 2.30pm – 4.00pm |
| Friday 28 th February | Fosse Association Quiz | 7pm onwards |
| Tuesday 3 rd March | Individual Music Concert | 4.00pm – 5.00pm |
| Thursday 5 th March | World Book Day | |
| Thursday 5 th March | Poetry Recital | 9.00am – 10.15am |
| Thursday 5 th March | U9/8 Netball v Russell House (away) | 2.30pm – 4.00pm |
| Thursday 5 th March | U9/8 rugby v Mead (TBA) | 2.30pm – 5.00pm |

See more comprehensive diary dates on the school website