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Chaplaincy Corner

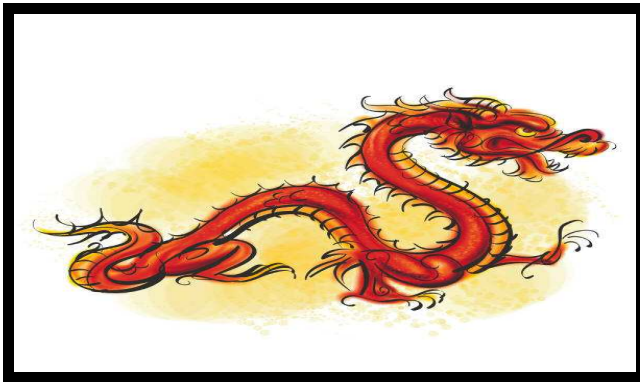
Chinese New Year

The date of the New Year varies in the solar year that we use because it is based on the lunar calendar. In the Chinese communities in Britain, many at this time will use the Cantonese greeting "Kung hay fat choy", which means, "May you prosper". Each year in the Chinese Calendar is associated with one of twelve animals. This year is the year of the Tiger.

May God guard us and keep us
in safety and comfort
and in health and strength,
sending us nothing but good.

May God send down
so many blessings
that the day is not long enough
for them all.

Amen.



KEY DATES

Half Term - 13th - 21st February

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Monday 15th & Tuesday 16th February

Chapel Choir at Salisbury Cathedral
5:30pm Evensong

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Monday 22nd February

8:40am - School Recommences
8:45am - Assembly

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Tuesday 23rd February

Year 11 Careers Interview (Group B)

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Wednesday 24th February

U19 Football v Bay House (H)

5:30pm - 8:00pm - Year 7 Parents' Evening

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Thursday 25th February

GCSE & Sixth Form Art Trip to Tate Modern (London)

5:30pm - Boarders' Service

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Friday 26th February

1:00pm - Lunchtime Concert in Chapel (Orchestra)

Alan Ayckbourn's

'Confusions'

Four short comedy plays from one of
Britain's leading Playwrights

9th-11th March

New Benildus Hall

7:00pm

Tickets are available from the School Office on a
first-come-first-served basis from 22nd February

1st X1 Football

Queen Mary College 1 v 1 SJC
(own goal)

The 1st X1 maintained their excellent recent form with a hard-earned point in an away match against Queen Mary College, Basingstoke. After conceding the first goal, the team rallied to create a number of second half chances without clinching the deserved three points. The team have now moved up to third place in the league, the highest achievement for many years.

Man-of-the-match: Joe Pinder

Politics Society

On Monday the Society heard a highly entertaining and informative talk on the changing role of the Prime Minister, given by Professor Peter Hennessy of London University, the leading expert on post-war British political history. Students of the subject gained a great deal from the talk and everyone enjoyed the anecdotes of Prime Ministers from Attlee to Brown, many of whom Professor Hennessy knew in person.

The next meeting is at 7.30 pm on Thursday 4 March, when the guest speaker will be Mark Hoban, Conservative MP for Fareham and the Shadow Secretary to the Treasury. All are welcome. For further details, please contact Dr Goodlad on 02392 815118 or e-mail grahg@stjohnscollege.co.uk

Cricket

Cricket training begins on the first Monday back after half term.

Senior players (Years 10/11/12/13) will train on Monday's 3:45pm - 5:00pm

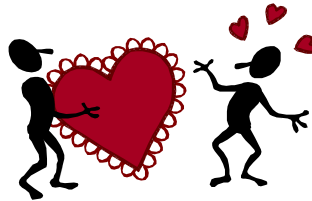
Junior players (Years 7/8/9) will train on Thursdays from 3:45pm - 5:00pm

In addition, lunchtime nets will run on Thursday and Friday from 12:40pm - 1:20pm

All players are welcome. All equipment is provided but bring your own personal protective box and a ball.

Please note: the first Thursday after school session will be outdoors due to a Netball fixture so wrap up warm!

Lower School News



Thank You!

Today's Valentine Cake Sale was a great success and the Pupil Council thank you all for your support. This evening Years 5 and 6 are invited to a charity Valentines Disco.

School Visits

Year 3, R and 1 have thoroughly enjoyed their visit to Southampton Art Gallery this week. Year 5 learned about safety when the Fire Brigade visited on Wednesday. They also visited the Mary Rose Museum earlier on in the week.



Sports News

Rugby

The Under 11'A' Rugby team have begun their season in fine style with three comprehensive victories. The latest was a 49-14 win against Hampshire Collegiate School. This followed splendid results against Churcher's College and Ryde.



Girls' Soccer

The Under 11 girls' Soccer team have progressed to the 3rd round of the Portsmouth Cup following their 6-2 win against St Jude's. Five goals from Chi-Chi Ezeuko and one from Georgia Palmer-Goddard secured the victory.

Hockey

The Under 11 'A' Hockey team played well to finish runners-up in the Portsmouth Schools 'A' league. The 'B' team just failed to make the play-offs but finished well placed in the 'B' league which was made up mainly of 'A' teams from other schools.

Netball

The Under 11 Netballers performed disappointingly at the Churcher's College Tournament and will need to improve if they are to be in serious contention at the Independent Schools Tournament next half term.



Nursery News



This week the Nursery children have been learning about Recycling through their Boogie Mites movement and music session. They enjoyed playing their musical instruments to the Recycling songs.

They have also been busy making Valentines gifts for their families. All of the children in Rockets and Stars would just like to wish their mummies and daddies a very Happy Valentines Day for this Sunday 14th February.

Miss Utchanah
Head of Nursery

