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Chapel Choir at Salisbury Cathedral

St John's Chapel Choir spent two days during the half term singing for the services in Salisbury Cathedral. The choristers sang two services of Choral Evensong – a service sung daily in the building for over 400 years by boy choristers. It is to the enormous credit of our Chapel Choir that they performed so well last week. As one of the cathedral clergy said, "A choir only formed 5 months ago should not be capable of producing a sound as confident and as accurate as that – truly amazing!". In addition, the Dean of Salisbury invited the boys to return to sing again. The boys have worked unbelievably hard, rehearsing four mornings a week before the start of school. They thoroughly deserve plaudits such as this. Well done to all the boys who sang and a special thank you to the seven staff who gave up time during their holiday to help with the trip.

As well as a lunchtime concert and the 'Musicians Have Talent' this half term, the boys will also sing in St John's Cathedral, two Services in Chichester Cathedral, four services as the "choir-in-residence" of Canterbury Cathedral and also a service in Rochester Cathedral – all within the next 6 weeks.

Alan Ayckbourn's

'Confusions'

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

9th-11th March NBH 7:00pm

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

Year 13 Geography Field Trip

On Tuesday 2nd March the Year 13 Geography students will be involved in fieldwork at Barton-on-Sea. They will be investigating the coastal processes and management strategies along that stretch of coastline. This is in preparation for their Unit 4A examination in June.

Mr Hyde

Lunchtime Chapel Concerts

After the enormous success of the Autumn Series of lunchtime concerts (each of which attracted an audience of around 80-120 people), the 'Spring Series' of Lunchtime Chapel Concerts starts this week. Each concert is free of charge, begins at 1:00pm and lasts approximately 25 minutes.

Friday 26 th February	1:00pm	The College Orchestra
Friday 5 th March	1:00pm	Piano Soloists
Friday 12 th March	1:00pm	St John's Chapel Choir
Friday 19 th March	1:00pm	The Girls' Choir

Art Trip to Tate Modern & History Masterclass

Please be aware that this trip will take place on the 15th March and not the 25th February as previously published in the school calendar.

Any outstanding permission slips and money should be handed into the School Office as soon as possible.

KEY DATES

Monday 1st March

8:45am - Assembly

U12 Netball Tournament v PGS

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Tuesday 2nd March

Year 13 Geography Field Trip -
Coastal Management - Barton on Sea

Year 9 Options Evening - 5:30pm - 8:00pm

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Wednesday 3rd March

U19 Football v Eastleigh (A)

U18 Hampshire Collegiate 7's (A)

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Thursday 4th March

Year 8 French Exchange students arrive from
Rouen

7:30pm Politics Society - Mark Hoban (MP for Fareham and Shadow City Minister)

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Friday 5th March

1:00pm - Piano Soloists Lunchtime Concert in
Chapel

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Sunday 7th March

U18 Christ's Hospital 7's (A)

Year 9 Options Evening- Tuesday 2nd March - 5:30pm - 8:00pm

We look forward to seeing our Year 9 pupils and parents
at this informative evening.

The Annual Spring Concert

Wednesday 17th March at 7:00pm in the New Benildus Hall

The concert is entitled "Musicians Have Talent" and this evening is the grand finale of the many musical entries we have received throughout the Upper School. A very varied and high musical standard is expected. Please come along and hear your friends in what will, I am sure, be an entertaining evening.

Chaplaincy Corner

Lord, when I look at life may I see through your eyes, sensitively.

Lord, when I hear your people speak may I listen with your ears, attentively.

Lord, when I speak may I use your words, thoughtfully.

Lord, when I use my hands may I give your hands, carefully.

Lord, as I live each day during this season of Lent may I walk with you, lovingly.

Amen

Lower School News

Head Teacher Awards

Well done to the following who have received certificates this week:

Silver Award - Literacy

★Jonty Van Rooyen ★Daniel Charman
★Matilda Clark ★Piers Gough
★Yasmin Cupples

Bronze Award - Literacy

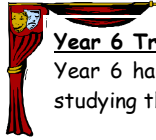
★Charles White ★Ellie Willetts
★Ruben Jones ★Rhianna Pett

For their commitment to the Chapel Choir, the following have received Silver Awards:

★George Turnbull ★Oscar Jenkins ★James Simpson ★Flynn Griffin ★Matthew Chapman

Haiti Appeal

The Rotary Club thank all pupils, parents and staff for raising an impressive £504 towards the appeal. The next stage is to send wheelchairs and to build a centre for making limbs for the victims of crush injuries. Special thanks go to Mrs Merrington for her help in dealing with the money raised.



Year 6 Trip

Year 6 had a great time at the King's Theatre where they saw the Shakespeare4kidz production of Macbeth. They have been studying the play in Literacy lessons and enjoyed seeing the live performance.

Netball News

In our fixtures with Dunhurst this week, the Under 9s and Under 10s drew their matches and the Under 11s won. The Under 11s produced a much better performance in preparation for next Saturday's tournament.

Other Sports News

The Under 11 and Under 10 Rugby squads are due to train at 10:00am this Saturday, weather permitting. Next week, there are planned fixtures for Wednesday (Under 11) and Thursday (Under 9, Under 10). Further details to follow.

Our girls' Soccer team produced their best league form this week, earning well deserved praise from Miss Wells and Mr Redhead.

World Book Day - Friday 5th March

Come dressed as a book character for a £1 donation to a developing world library project. Miss Grubb will tell the pupils more about the project in Chapel on Tuesday morning.



Nursery News

This week the children in Nursery have been learning about 'People who help us.'



They started off the week with a visit from Southsea Police Station. Three Police Officers visited the children and spoke to them about Stranger Danger and about Road Safety. They then had the opportunity to explore the Police Van, to look at its flashing lights and pretend to drive it. The children were very interested in their whole learning experience and we appeared in The News on Thursday!

The children then re-enacted their Police experience in their own Police Car and dressing up clothes. The Stars also role-played lollipop men and women and made their own Lollipop Sticks. The Rockets dressed up in a variety of occupational outfits of people who help us and made their own costumes too.

Next week the Stars are looking at 'Investigation'. We would like to invite the Stars to bring in an item from home to investigate with their friends. This could be a torch, remote controlled car, magnets or any item where children would have to think about how it works.

Happy Birthday to Jacob Foster who was 3 years old on Monday 22nd February 2010.

Miss Utchanah
Head of Nursery