



# Hopelands Preparatory School

38/40 Regent Street, Stonehouse, Gloucestershire, GL10 2AD

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER – January 5<sup>th</sup> 2018

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### DATES FOR THE DIARY

**WHOLE SCHOOL TRIP – Bristol Hippodrome to see 'Awful Auntie' – Thursday 3rd May 2018**

**Friends of Hopelands**

**PIZZA AND POPCORN NIGHT – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February**

### LOST PROPERTY

We have been made aware of the following items of lost property

**NONE REPORTED – BUT WE'VE ONLY BEEN BACK 3 DAYS SO FAR!**

items of lost property are kept in the plastic box on the verandah of the outside classroom behind the Sophie Hall.

### CLUBS

PLEASE NOTE:

Cookery (Monday after-school) and Prep-School Dance (Thursday after-school, years 4-6) are both now full.

## HAPPY NEW YEAR

### JANUARY

Tuesday 9th	Swimming Years 3, 5 and 6 - GALA
Thursday 11th	Young Voices in Birmingham
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Head's Tea Party
Tuesday 16th	Swimming Years Reception, 1, 2 and 4
Friday 19th	Tewkesbury Swimming Gala
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Swimming Years Reception, 1, 2 and 4
Tuesday 30th	Swimming Years Reception, 1, 2 and 4
Wednesday 31st	Year 6 Netball, Wycliffe

### FEBRUARY

Monday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Head's Tea Party
Tuesday 6th	Swimming Years Reception, 1, 2 and 4 Reception, Years 1 and 2 to Forest School Football at Tewkesbury – pm:
Thursday 8th	Cross-Country, Tewkesbury, 3pm
Friday 9th	Netball at Cheltenham College
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> February to Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> February Half-Term	
Tuesday 20th	Swimming Years Reception, 1, 2 and 4
Thursday 22nd	Cross-Country, Tewkesbury, 3pm
Friday 23rd	Friends of Hopelands – Pizza and Popcorn Night – time tbc
Tuesday 27th	Swimming Years Reception, 1, 2 and 4
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Outreach visit from the Houses of Parliament to years 5 and 6



MRS LUCY STICK  
TEACHING ASSISTANT, AUSTRALIAN  
WANNABEE

Mrs Stick has worked at Hopelands since 2012 (although, as an ex-pupil, she has been here since 1954). She is well known for her happy demeanor and infectious laugh, especially on socially lubricated occasions.

Her father - being born in Australia - prompted Lucy to re-discover her roots and awakened a deep desire to get as far away from the damp as possible – Tasmania in fact. She's only 'one lottery win away from a plane ticket' (not a euphemism).

When not at school Mrs Stick enjoys drawing and making craftwork. She absolutely loves cats (although she only has two at the moment, Parsnip and Sprout, stand downwind). When she retires Lucy will be the epitome of a mad cat lady.

## CHRISTMAS FAIR AND HAMPER DONATIONS

A huge 'THANK YOU' to everyone who came to the Christmas Fair at the end of last term. The school raised £327 for our Charity WaterAid. This included £207 raised in our Hamper Secret Auction.

Congratulations to

Mrs Safizadeh, Mrs Vaughan, Mrs Simpson, Mrs Opperman, Mrs Hurrell and Mrs Peters.



## CHRISTINGLE

On behalf of the Children's Society may we say another big 'THANK YOU' for the generous Christingle donations. Mrs Sands fed a total of £227 into the charity box on the school's behalf.



## Friends of Hopelands

Happy New Year to you all.

### A date for your diaries

We will be holding our annual [pizza, popcorn and pyjama party](#) on Friday 23 February. Time is yet to be confirmed, but it's likely to be 5 - 6.30pm. Further details will be sent out by email next week, but please make a note of the date for now!

### Second-hand uniform

We have a LOT of second-hand uniform available if anyone needs anything! Please drop me an email if you'd like to buy any uniform items, giving the size you require. If we don't have what you're after, I can put you on the waiting list and contact you when it becomes available.

In particular, we have a very large amount of girls' winter blouses (£3 each), quite a few kilts (£15 each) and lots of summer dresses (£4 each) for those who may wish to buy now ready for next term!

Thanks  
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