



Hopelands Preparatory School

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

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER – October 13th 2017

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DATES FOR THE DIARY

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS – Thursday 16th November – Change of Date

HARVEST FESTIVAL – Friday 20th October, 2pm, St Joseph's Church

CHRISTMAS CONCERT – Wednesday 6th December, 1.30pm, Stonehouse Court Hotel

CHRISTMAS FAIR – Friday 8th December, 2pm, Hopelands

CHRISTINGLE SERVICE – Wednesday 13th December, 2pm St Cyr's Church

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

Friends of Hopelands

HALLOWEEN – Friday 10th November, Hopelands

LOST PROPERTY

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

Max Safizadeh – School Blazer
Nadia Peet – School cardigan – labelled as Molly Drake

items of lost property are kept in the plastic box on the verandah of the outside

OCTOBER

Monday 16 th	Year 6 Cycle Proficiency Week Parents Evening – Years 4, 5, and 6
Tuesday 17 th	Swimming Years 3 and 5 only Years 2 and 6 on WW2 Evacuation Parents Evening – Year 3
Wednesday 18 th	Parents Evening – Years 3 and 4
Thursday 19 th	Head's Tea Party Cross-Country at Tewkesbury
Friday 20 th	Harvest Festival Service

Monday 23rd – Friday 27th Half Term

Tuesday 31 st	Swimming Years 3,5 and 6 Year 2 visit to SkillZone
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NOVEMBER

Wednesday 1 st	Great Hopelands Bake Off (watch this space)
Monday 6 th	Head's Tea Party
Tuesday 7 th	Swimming Years 3,5 and 6
Monday 13 th	Parliament Week David Drew MP to visit school
Tuesday 14 th	Swimming Years 3,5 and 6
Thursday 16 th	Individual School Photos
Tuesday 21 st	Swimming Years 3,5 and 6 Recep:/year 1 and 2 to the Forest School Football at Tewkesbury
Tuesday 28 th	Swimming Years 3,5 and 6
Thursday 30 th	Book Fair in school

DECEMBER

Tuesday 5 th	Swimming Years 3, 5 and 6
Wednesday 6 th	Christmas Concert – 1.30pm
Friday 8 th	Christmas Fair – 3pm – 6pm
Wednesday 13 th	Christingle Service – 2pm, St Cyr's LAST DAY OF TERM



**MISS HANNAH GIBBONS
HEAD of YEAR 1 AND RECEPTION**

Considering herself as a country bumpkin, Miss Gibbons spends a huge amount of her time surrounded by horses and springer spaniels. When she isn't in her wellies mucking out, training gun dogs or venturing across fields, Miss Gibbons spends some of her time (probably not as much as she should) studying for her Masters in Education – only her third and final year left before she gains her full Masters.

Besides teaching her Reception/ Year 1 class, Miss Gibbons is a keen archer and is a member of the Deer Park Archers Club. This is just one of the many sports she enjoys playing or watching (she never passes up a Rugby game either). Miss Gibbons' passions include: Art, (from having a strong artistic background and having begun studying a Fine Art Sculpture degree) and History of Art, with her favourite artist being Raphael and her favourite painting being his 'School of Athens'; architecture and visiting period properties (she is a keen member of the National Trust) as well as sports and fitness (she likes to lift heavy weights).

A random fact about Miss Gibbons – she can hula hoop for a good hour if there is something good on TV.



CHANGE OF DATE

Individual (and with siblings) School Photos.
THURSDAY 16th NOVEMBER.
STILL in time for Christmas !

TERM DATES 2018-2019

The new term dates for the academic year 2018-2019 are now on the website calendar. A document giving the term dates is attached with this newsletter.

FUN AT THE FOREST SCHOOL



Class 1 and Year 2 attended their first Forest School session of this academic year at The Ernest Cook Trust near Slimbridge. After a drizzly start, eating their lunch under the outdoor shelter, the children enjoyed a ramble through the woods, collecting items for an autumn picture.



....I hope they know where they're going..



Mrs Sands

FABULOUS RESULTS IN NETBALL AND CROSS – COUNTRY



What an amazing achievement, Hopelands has won all of the first half of the district netball league games. Over 30 goals were scored by the Hopelands team overall in just four matches - quite a number!

There was some beautiful team spirit and play by all members of the team but the outstanding work of Maria (in Year 6) needs to be specially applauded.

The official results have now come through 37 goals in 4 games 12-0, 8-1, 11-0, 6-2.



In the District Cross-Country, racing against 11 other schools the Girls placed

4th, 5th, 7th, and 9th – that's four in the top ten, AMAZING! - then 19th, 33rd, 35th, 69th. There were over 100 girls in the race... A special mention should go to Amy Jones, who despite only being a pupil at Hopelands for FOUR DAYS, represented the school and did amazingly well.

In the Boys race we had results at 4th, 23rd, 31st, with the rest well placed in the second half. Again, with over 130 boys competing this is a great result.



Mrs McQuillan

Friends of Hopelands

Christmas cards

Thank you to everyone who ordered Christmas cards, mugs etc - our products are currently being printed. The company usually turns orders around quickly, so delivery may possibly be before half term. I will let you know as soon as the order arrives.

Pantomime ice creams

If you'd like to order ice creams for the interval, please do so **before half term**. Choices are: chocolate, strawberry, mint choc chip, vanilla, salted caramel and blackcurrant. Price in advance is £2, price on the day is £2.50.

30 Club

We are still looking for more people to take part please! If you'd like to join this year's 30 (or however many it turns out to be!) Club, please let me know. Cost is £10 for the year (10 draws) and you can buy as many numbers as you wish. Staff, parents, grandparents and other family members over the age of 18 are all very welcome to purchase numbers. Half of the money goes to FOH, the other half is used as prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd each month (October to July). This means the more people who join, the bigger the cash prizes! Cash in labelled envelopes or cheques payable to Friends of Hopelands please.

Thanks

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