

Weekly Bulletin

FRIDAY 10 January 2025 - Week 1



Wishing everyone a belated Happy and Healthy New Year.

A **BIG** thank you:

Salvation Army Christmas Hampers Please find a <u>letter of thanks</u> from the Commanding Officer, Mr Westwood-Payne.

Christmas Jumper Day 'Save the Children' Senior Girls managed to raise £318 - so some festive fun was held but more importantly it was all about helping children throughout the world who need it most.

St Luke's Christmas Tree Event

The winners this year were the Alexander Devine Children's Hospice and St Luke's raised £4900 for Thames Valley Heartbeat - please see <u>link here</u> to all the decorated trees. We look forward to competing again in Christmas 2025 (only 351 days to go).

Principal's Blog

Read Mr Wilding's Blog for this week: <u>"Welcome to a New Year at Claires</u> Court – Making our mark in 2025"

The Court Report 2022-24

We invite you to read the Court Report covering the past two years' highlights across the school -https://bit.ly/4gNJChn

FROM THE OFFICE.....

Welcome to a new member of staff

Please see our new member of staff for the Science Department - Ms Patel - who has joined us - her 'Mastermind' subject is Chemistry - Welcome from all at Senior Girls.

Lions Club Swimarathon - Sunday 12 January

Please pop along to support our Claires Court swimmers and Maidenhead Lions Swimathon event at <u>Braywick Leisure Centre (SL6 1BN)</u> from 1pm-2pm on Sunday. The event is a fund-raising opportunity for the school and for the Lions Club of Maidenhead. Half of the funds raised will go to the Lions Club of Maidenhead and the other half we will pledge to the school's Ukrainian fund.

If you would like to donate money the easiest way to do this is through the <u>Just Giving page</u> we have set up.

Parent Drugs Awareness Talk - Wednesday 15 January



Please find the <u>information here</u> regarding an informative talk by Bob Tait from Drug Education UK being held at Senior Girls SL6 6AW, The Chapel 6.30pm-8pm. If you wish to attend please complete this <u>booking form to reserve a seat</u> by **Monday 13 January 2025** so that we can accommodate numbers accordingly - thank you.

'Tub-2-Pub'



Please bring in your empty plastic sweet/cracker Christmas tubs to be recycled and help raise funds for



Drop off at the school office and we will pass onto Mr Wragg (Head of Outdoor Education) to give to his local GREENE KING establishment. Final collections are Monday 10 February 2025. More info can be found at Tub2pub.co.uk

News, News, News!

Take a look here..... https://bit.ly/40qgNjs at our fantastic media wall on the school website where we collate all the stories from across the school. There are stories from Instagram, Facebook and Twitter plus photo albums from Flickr which can all be filtered by year group/activity/event.

Root of the Week.....

Examples:

Manufacture
Factory
Faction
Factorise
Origin: Latin
Benefactor

Meaning: To make

Reminder - Friday Morning Run Club

It's that time of year when people are trying to start new habits and get back in shape. So in the hope of supporting that, a reminder about our weekly run club that happens every Friday morning for staff and pupils. This is open to everyone, you don't have to be a seasoned runner to get involved, in fact you don't even have to run it, but it's an opportunity every week to train at a set time with a good group of people. This <u>Consent Form</u> will need to be completed prior to participating.

- When: Every Friday morning 7.20am arrival for a 7.30am (sharp!) start
- Where: Starting and finishing from outside the Senior Boys' reception
- Distance: Choose between a 3.5km (Sheep) or 5km route (Double Sheep)

YEAR GROUP INFORMATION......

Reminders below but please do look at the school calendar

YEAR 7

Sparx Reader

Please find <u>information here</u> regarding Sparx Reader which was emailed home earlier this week.

Parents Evening - Thursday 6 February *SAVE THE DATE* Further information to follow.

YEAR 8

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Please find <u>information here</u> regarding Sparx Reader which was emailed home earlier this week.

Dolygaer Trip - May 2025

Please find the attached <u>letter here</u> emailed home before the Christmas break.

YEAR 9

Tetanus, Dip, Polio, Meningitis ACWY & MMR Catch Up *Wednesday 29 January*

Just a reminder that NHS Berkshire Health will be in school on Wednesday 29 January to administer the above immunisations to our Year 9 Senior Girls. Please complete the <u>E consent form</u> asap in the letter emailed home at the end of the last term.

Parents Evening - Tuesday 11 February *SAVE THE DATE* Further information to follow.

YEAR 11

Year 11 Reports - Friday 17 January

Year 11 Full Reports will be emailed home to parents on Friday 17 January and will also be available on the Report Portal.

* NEW DATE * Exam Preparation Evening - 6.30pm Monday 20 January
Mr Richards will be hosting an online 'Exam Preparation Evening' at 6.30pm on
Monday 20 January. The meeting will last approx. 30 minutes and will provide
you with information on what to expect in the coming months and how you can
support your child's GCSE exam preparation. Please join using this meet link
meet.google.com/rcn-ijbv-pde with your camera and mic turned off. The meeting
will be recorded and shared via the Bulletin for anyone unable to attend.

Year 11 Parents Evening - Tuesday 18 March

This will be followed up by a full Parents Evening in school for all pupils and all subjects on Tuesday 18 March.

GCSE Subject Directory 2024/25

Please find <u>details here</u> regarding the various subjects/exam board/coursework deadlines/exam dates. You will also find a link to the GCSE handbook on the document.

Year 11 'Drop In' GCSE Clinics

Please find the Year 11 GCSE Clinic Timetable here.