



Weekly Parent Newsletter: 12

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REMINDERS:

- ✓ Good luck to P7s for their second AQE test tomorrow
- ✓ Christmas Nativity and Carol Service performances are as follows: -
 - **Wednesday 13 Dec** P1-4 Nativity 10am & 1pm @ New Pavilion Hall, Senior School
 - **Thursday 14 Dec** P5-7 Carol Service 7pm @ First Holywood Presbyterian Church
- ✓ All pupils will finish for Christmas Holidays on Thursday 21 December at 12 noon - no lunches supplied.
Those pupils staying for After School Club will require a packed lunch and this club will finish promptly at 4.30pm to allow for the Senior School's maintenance team to carry out end of term procedures.
- ✓ Could we remind parents **NOT** to park on the grass verges on My Lady's Mile as cars' tyres are gouging tracks into these verges and making a mess of them. It is always appropriate to be considerate to those in our school's local community.
- ✓ A massive thank you for your support and generous donations for our stripy NET Cancer Day. We raised a total of £230 - a fantastic amount. Well done!

Prep 6 had the pleasure of meeting Catherine Bennett from Animal Allsorts. Catherine is a zoologist who cares for animals and, in particular, reptiles. She brought with her all her reptiles and allowed us an up close and personal session with them. Amongst the animals was Rio the snake, which we all held, along with Timmy the tortoise, Wilbur the Bearded dragon, a Chilean rose spider and a gecko, just to name a few! We were all amazed at the size of some of the animals, especially the snake which was over 2 metres long! The class had a great afternoon as they continue to learn more about animal classification.



PE REMINDERS

There will be **NO** Netball Club on Monday 27 November as Mrs Wilkinson is attending a course after school.

Football - Well done to our two football teams who travelled to CCB last Friday. Both teams played well with the 'A's winning two and drawing two matches, the 'B's won one, drew one and lost two! Some fantastic goals were scored and all of our players had a great afternoon out!

Monday 27 - This will be P4's last swim before Christmas as the following week will be nativity rehearsals.



Grosvenor Have Talent - "Funny, Awesome, Fab Actors".

Drama Club members from Prep 5 & 6 were fortunate enough to watch a spectacular performance of Sister Act on Monday. Thank you so much to the kind parent drivers for coping with our very late need for assistance which was due to changes just published at the end of last week regarding additional qualifications for minibs drivers.



Huge congratulations to the Eco Council who succeeded in achieving the Eco Flag for Schools Award, led by Mrs Callen and Mrs Matthews!

The assessors made the following comments about the strengths of our school during their assessment: -

- Outdoor classroom & school grounds are brilliant! Excited to see the developments planned for the future
- Overall school knowledge and whole school involvement is very good. Especially caretaker, teachers and senior staff
- Notice boards and website are very impressive. Having the two in both buildings is a great way to encourage involvement
- The enthusiasm of committee is also very impressive. Using public speaking and literacy to encourage pupils to get involved is a great idea

Well done, everyone!

