



**Diary Dates:**

- 30/11/16 **Scholastic Book Fair till 7/12/16**
- 1/12/16 **Year 8 Parents' Evening**
- 14/12/16 **Christmas Concert – 6pm-7:30pm**
- 15/12/16 **Christmas Concert – 4:30pm-6pm**
- 16/12/16 **Christmas Jumper Day**
- 21/12/16 **Pupils Christmas Dinner**
- 21/12/16 **End of Term 2017**
- 9 & 16/1/17 **Y5 Parents' Evening: 12:15pm-4:30pm**  
**One to One appointments**
- 19 & 26/1/17 **Y6 Parents' Evening 12:15pm-4:30pm**  
**One to One appointments – 15 minutes**
- 21/12/16 **Christmas Dinner**
- 21/12/16 **Data Reports to Parents**
- 2/2/17 **Y7 Parents' Evening Eng/Maths/Sci only**  
**3:45pm-6:30pm**
- 7/2/17 **Y7 Parents' Evening Eng/Maths/Sci only**  
**3:45pm-6:30pm**
- 2/3/17 **Y8 Parents' Evening 3:45pm-6:30pm All**  
**subjects**
- 14/3/17 **Y6 Parents' Feedback Meeting - Eng & Maths**  
**12:15pm-4:30pm**
- 21/3/17 **Y6 Parents' Feedback Meeting - Eng & Maths**  
**12:15pm-4:30pm**
- 27-30/3/17 **Normandy Visit**

**Poppy Appeal - pupils raised £316.34**  
**Children in Need – pupils raised £480.50!!**

**Parents' Evening online booking system**

Many thanks to all who have already started to use the online booking system. A letter was sent out earlier this week with details of how to log in to book for the upcoming Year 8 evening. As outlined in last week's newsletter, we are aware that some teachers will become fully booked as they teach more than one class of Year 8. To try and ease that, we ask that you prioritise English, maths and science on this occasion. We also ask that you take into account that this is a subject based evening and if you would like to meet with the tutor, we can organise another time to do this. We thank you for your patience and understanding as we get to grips ourselves with this system.

As a prior warning, we will be making appointments available for the Year 5 Parents' feedback meetings, taking place in January, the week beginning Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December. Please look out for your email at this time to give you details on how to log in. If you do not have access to a computer, please do call Mrs Marler at the school who will be able to help you.

**Year 6 Revision Guides**

We recommend that Parents purchase these books to support their children in the lead up to the SATs; they can be paid for on the School Gateway or with cash in a sealed envelope clearly marked with the child's name.

**Advent**

In the lead up to Advent, the first Advent candle will be lit during Collective Worship on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2016. The weekly themes for advent will

run as follows: **Hope, Preparation, Joy, Love and Christ.** Each week pupils will have an opportunity to explore the 'theme' of the week in Collective Worship and hear the Christmas story from the bible. During our Friday sessions, we will be practising and celebrating Advent with traditional hymns. If you would like to attend a Friday hymn session and join the school in song, please contact the school office on 01763-271446 to book a seat. Unfortunately, we have limited availability, so please book rather than turning up on the off chance. We would recommend it if you are feeling the winter blues and need a lift!

**Last Day of Term**

On the last day of term, we will be walking in year groups over the fields to St Mary's Church in Aspenden to take part in a Christmas service. We will then return to two sessions of Christmas lunch. We want to give you advance notice as this is a welly boot and/or walking boots day, so please prepare your child. We will be running year group sessions as the church can't take us all at the same time! If you would like to join your child and their year group in the walk and service, and support the school in celebrating the end of term, then please ring in and book a place on the walk and service.

**Data Report**

At the end of term you will receive your child's Data Report and once again, you will have an opportunity to view your child's books over the holidays. You will see significant progress in writing in English and this is now spreading to Humanities and Science in particular. We look forward to sharing this progress with you.

**Scholastic Book Fair**

The book fair will arrive on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> November until Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December and pupils will be able to view and purchase books at break and lunch times. Parents are also welcome to purchase books after school on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December. All commission will go towards new school library books

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