

WEEK AHEAD

Monday 10th – Friday 14th December 2018



Dear Parents,

As you will appreciate, the theme for the week is Christmas, and this issue of the "Week Ahead" will provide you with information on various events.

We'll start at the end: on Friday, 14 December, we will be holding our annual Christmas Carol Service at St. Mary's Church. The service, which is one of the real highlights of the school year, begins at 2:15, and we do hope that the Church will be full.

An added inducement: following the service, we will be serving tea and mince pies for parents and students.

Please note that students may wear casual clothes on the 14th; however, they must all bring with them their school uniforms for the carol service.

As we are all aware this is Pantomime season – in this light our Juniors are going to see 'Sleeping Beauty' at Bury St Edmunds Theatre. Where we are sure great fun will be had by all.

On Wednesday the whole school will enthused by the 'Band Academy Workshop'. All students will be working with our visitors to develop additional musical skills and an interest in performance.

On Thursday we have a 'Christmas Jumpers' day to light up our fantastic Christmas Lunch which all the school (staff and students) take part in, also with a visit from 'Santa'.

Christmas is, of course, a time of giving. In this spirit, please see the notes about our funding for the British Royal Legion and the Stowmarket Food Bank.

Finally, we will be most appreciative of your donations for the Christmas Raffle; the funds raised will support our music programme, and this time, specifically, our summer production of "Mary Poppins."

See you on Friday the 14th.

Thank you.

Best wishes,

Mrs Kim Salthouse
Head of School

Dr Duncan Rollo
Principal

Thank You

'Hondon Valley Royal British Legion' would like to thank everyone for raising £36.00 for their Poppy Appeal by selling poppies in November.

UAS would like to say a big thank you for donating food and toiletries to Stowmarket Food Bank, which were delivered this week.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday 11th December 2018

Visit to Pantomime – Junior school only

Wednesday 12th December

Band Academy Workshop – Whole School

Thursday 13th December

School Christmas Lunch

Friday 14th December 2018

Carol Service – 2.15pm

School Finishes 3.00pm

REMINDER Secret Santa

All students are invited to buy a 'Secret Santa' present for another child in their class. This ensures all students receive a Christmas Present at the Christmas lunch.

Your child or child's teacher will be letting you know over the next few days who they can buy a 'Secret Santa' present for.

The present should cost no more than £10.00 and be handed into school by **Monday 10th December**. The presents will be given out at the school Christmas lunch on Thursday 13th December. Please wrap the present up and clearly label it with the recipient student's name and class, stating it is for 'Secret Santa'.

Christmas Raffle

Centre Academy will be hosting a Christmas Raffle on the 14th December, we ask parents for donations of items to go in the raffle. All the money earned will go towards the school's production of 'Mary Poppins'. Thank you for your continuing support.

Daniel Stott

Postage Stamps

Please remember to send in all your used stamps to the school or Mrs Shaul.

Thank you

NOTICES

Students Who Travel by Taxi

Please could parents ensure that their child's taxi is informed if a child is to be absent from school and does not need to be collected by the taxi. It has come to light on a number of occasions that taxis have arrived at the school at the end of the day to collect students to return home. We have had to explain that the child has been collected for medical appointments/or sent home unwell.

Thank you.

School Diaries

Please could all parents check with their children that they have their school diaries. These should have homework assignments written in. Teachers are also checking these diaries to ensure that all parents and students are aware of the demands being made on the children. The diaries are especially helpful in facilitating communication between class tutors and parents.

Sunday boarding arrangements

Please can Parents let Mr Thompson know in advance, either by email at athompson@centreacademy.net, or by phone or text message on 07555 416172. This is so that we have numbers for food on Sunday evening and numbers for pick up from Stowmarket train station. Boarders should either arrive at Centre Academy no earlier than 7pm if coming directly or be picked up from Stowmarket train station.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Boarding House Telephone Numbers:

Mr Thompson can be contacted on the following mobile number during the week, Monday from 8.00 am to Friday 3.00pm. Please can any arrangements for Sunday evening boarding be made in advance prior to 3.00pm on the Friday. The Care Staff do not stay on site at the weekend and will be out of contact during this period.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Mr Thompson - 07555 416 172

Gentle Reminders:

- ✚ If your child requires any medication, please ensure that this is handed into the office or Mrs Beadman. Medication will need to be in its original packet along with the relevant paperwork. The item must be clearly labelled with the student's name and the instructions of administration.
- ✚ Students must not be sent to school if they have a fever/sickness or are feeling ill. Students should be fever/sickness free for 48 hours before returning to school to protect other students from contact with potentially contagious illnesses. Parents will be contacted by the medical staff on duty if a child shows symptoms of illness while in school.
- ✚ Could all students bring stationery in to school for their lessons, e.g. pens/pencils and crayons.
- ✚ Please check and sign homework diaries every week; the diaries are a very important tool to communicate with teachers and parents.
- ✚ All female students are to wear either trousers or skirts with thick tights when participating in drama lessons or drama activities after school.
- ✚ During the summer please ensure your child has sun cream, a sun hat and appropriate glasses with them; all items should be marked with the child's name.