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11<sup>th</sup> November 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

In our Lower School Celebration Assembly, we celebrated the following pupils:

Gainsborough: Freida, Bodhi, Arthur, Iris, Oslo & Florence

Medlycott: Sophie, George, Logan, Isaac, Rex, Taio

Venn: Szymon, Wilf, Cameron, Willow, Alfred & Sydney

### Staffing

I am pleased to announce that we have appointed two new members of staff this week. Mrs Michelle Bird will be a Lunchtime Supervisor and Miss Carmen Danyali our new Year 4 teacher and SENCo. We look forward to them joining our team.

### The National Sleep Helpline

Please find attached some information about a free resource that can help parents and children to learn more about their sleep and develop better bedtime routines. Sleep is essential to brain function; by helping children to sleep better, we can help them to succeed in school. You can read more here: <https://thesleepcharity.org.uk/national-sleep-helpline/>



**Liz Wilson**

Helpline Team Leader

Helpline Number: 03303 530 541

[thesleepcharity.org.uk](https://thesleepcharity.org.uk)



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### School Photographs

Fraser Portraits will be in school on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November. Please see the email sent out yesterday for timings. Siblings who are all in Yrs R-6 will be photographed during the school day and do not need to come to the school hall early.

### A message from our PTFA

Thank you to everyone who came to our PTFA Halloween disco on Friday. We raised an incredible £238.90 which will make a difference to the school.

We are now starting our preparations for our Christmas Extravaganza - we have tried to spread the donations out this year to make it a little easier and we are starting with our prize Tombola! Please see the attached posters for full details of the event and donation requests. Full details of the events planned can be found on our PTFA noticeboard.

As always, second-hand school uniform is available so please do ask if you need anything at all.

Thanks again for your continued support.

### Online Safety

It has come to our attention that there are some children in school who are aware of the horror film *It* (age-rated 15), and its main character Pennywise. This is a concern to us and we are obliged to keep a record of this as part of our safeguarding duties. Please ensure that you carefully monitor and control what your children are accessing on their devices.

### After School Care

After looking at various options for After School Care, the only option currently available is for our staff to provide the facility. Should this happen, this does unfortunately mean that from January we will not be able to offer the small enrichment clubs that we currently offer. Staff will run sessions for Years R-6 and once the uptake is established, decide upon the nature of the activities offered. There will be a charge for this. We would welcome any feedback on this suggestion.

### Anti-Bullying Week

Next week is Anti-Bullying Week. This is a national initiative to ensure that we all understand what bullying is and, should it happen, how we can deal with it. We are offering children the option to wear odd socks to school to act as a discussion point - we are all the same but different, therefore unique and that is something to celebrate.





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### Key Dates

School Photographs	Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> November
Anti-Bullying Week	Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> November
Whole School Flu Immunisation	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> November
Upper School Celebration Assembly	CANCELLED due to hall being used
Children in Need	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> November
Look and Share	
Whole School Celebration Assembly	Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> November
Lower School Celebration Assembly	Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December
Kingsbury INSPIRE session	Wednesday 7 <sup>th</sup> December
Upper School Celebration Assembly	Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> December
Christmas Service - St John's Church, 10am	Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December
Christmas Lunch	
Whole School Celebration Assembly	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December
PTFA Christmas MUFTI Day & Christmas Extravaganza	
Last day of the Autumn Term	
INSET Day	Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2023
Pupils return to school - Spring Term 2023	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> January 2023

Yours ever,

Mrs R Eyres

