

Letter from Mr Morris and Staff

Welcome from the Headmaster

It is getting to that time of term when the boys are getting tired, yet there is so much to do and so much excitement in the build-up to the end of term and Christmas. The choir (55 boys in total) are going to Birmingham for the concert next week. The rest of the school will be having an afternoon of art, led by my daughter who is a qualified and experienced art teacher, currently visiting from Australia where she lives. The boys are rehearsing hard for the play, and for the carol service at the end of term. If you haven't ordered tickets for either of these events I urge you to do so earlier rather than later so as not to be disappointed.

The running total raised during Charity Week is now standing at a staggering £1,540. A huge thank you once again to everyone who has supported this appeal.

Soup at Lunch

We are very aware that a number of boys are rather fussy about their food. Whilst it is important that we help them to understand the value of eating a good, healthy diet and ensuring that their energy intake matches their energy expenditure, we appreciate that sometimes the lunch food is not to their liking. Hence the caterers have introduced an alternative of home-made (and very nutritious) soup and a roll to the main course. This is proving very popular, and ensuring the boys who normally shy clear of vegetables are getting a very good meal. Today's soup was homemade 'chunky vegetable'. Puddings are popular and have not changed.

MUFTI DAY

There will be an extra Mufti Day on Friday, in aid of the Nepalese Children's Trust. A representative of the charity is coming in to speak to the school about the Trust's work during assembly. There is no set theme for mufti for this day.

Young Voices Concert

Mr Morris has kindly agreed that as it will be such a late night on Thursday, the boys can have a lie in and come in for 10:30am on Friday (after morning break) if needs be. If you are having trouble sourcing santa hats, they are available from Wilkinsons on the Triangle for 85p. Clothing on the day – the boys need to wear school trousers, school shoes, their Young Voices or plain white T-shirt and their school tracksuit top. If it is impossible to get the tracksuit top clean and dry after Failand on Wednesday for Years 5 and 6, their school blazer will be fine. Please ensure that the 50p for the torch is safely zipped in a pocket. Mrs Murphy has received about half of the reply slips re collecting children after the concert and would be very grateful to have received the rest by Monday morning! A few Parents have asked if there are any more tickets for sale. We believe there are but you would need to contact the Arena directly and your ticket wouldn't be near the rest of the QEH parents. Please email kmurphy@qehbristol.co.uk if you have any queries.

Star Performers for the Week and Weekly House Points Winners – these will be awarded on Monday, as Year 6 are out on a trip to MShed on Friday.

Sports Update

Every boy who was fit and available has played in a competitive fixture against another school this week. On Monday, the U8s drew both of their matches against Kingswood. The U9s drew one and lost one of their games.

On Wednesday all the Y5s & Y6s, travelled across the road to play BGS in 6 matches. The U11As, drew 14-14 with the Bs losing on the last play of the game 19-14. I am delighted to report that the U11Cs won 8 tries to 4 – well done to all the U11s. The U10s also played three matches with the As continuing their impressive season with a 5 tries to 2 victory, the Bs despite playing their best rugby of the season lost 8-4 and the Cs lost by the same score.

The most pleasing aspect of the week has been the enthusiasm with which the boys have played, as well as the pride, determination and sportsmanship they have shown.

The season finishes next week with the U11s travelling to Tockington Manor and the U10As and Bs visiting Kingswood for their rearranged fixture from earlier in the term. The U9s, both A & B, travel to Colstons to take part in a tournament there on Monday, so good luck to them.

Finally could I take this opportunity to remind you that as the weather is becoming colder, the boys should bring their tracksuit to games as Failand can be very cold at this time of the year.



Diary for the week

Monday 28th. November MJM out on Inspection retraining.

No Darwin Club this morning. Rearranged for 12.20 p.m. on Friday
8.50 a.m. School assembly, led by 'Mad Science'

4.00 p.m. FPS

Tuesday 29th. November 8.50 – 10.10 a.m. Play rehearsal for cast (E1)

9.20 – 10.50 a.m. Year 3 to Christ Church, Clifton
(‘Christmas Experience’)

‘Geogathon’ quiz.

12.30 p.m. Q.E. Award Presentation to Year 5, given
by Mr Steve Cook

1.00—2.20p.m. Extra play rehearsal for the whole cast. (Theatre)

Wednesday 30th. November Year 3 ‘Dress-up as a Pirate’ day.

12.15 p.m. Nature Club depart for Taunton (return by 5.30 p.m.). Premier of
RSPB film, and meeting director and cameramen.

12.50 p.m. Singing assembly

2.15 p.m. U.11 A team v. Tockington Manor (A)

U.10 A and B teams v. Kingswood (A)

Thursday 1st. December 11.30 a.m. Choir depart for NEC, Birmingham

1.00– 4.00 p.m. Afternoon of Art, led by Miss Molly Morris

5.30 p.m. Meeting of the full Board of Governors

Friday 2nd. December MUFTI DAY – in aid of The Nepalese Children’s Trust

12.45 p.m. Whole school assembly, led by a representative of the
Nepalese Children’s Trust.

2.00 p.m. Inter-house rugby finals (Failand)