

Newsletter



PATTISON
COLLEGE

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Dear Parents

We have a very busy week coming up starting with a performance at Her Majesty's Theatre in the West End on Sunday! More details of forthcoming events are below. As always, please never hesitate to contact us should you have any concerns or any good news you would like to share with us.

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Term Dates

It has come to our attention that there was an error on the term dates on our website. We break up for the Summer on Wednesday 18 July at 1pm and not Thursday as previously published. The website has now been updated and the correct terms dates can be found on both the News page and on the Documents Download page.

May I also take this opportunity to remind parents that, having consulted with them, from next year our October Half Term break will be two weeks long in line with the other independent schools in Coventry. The dates for next year are Sunday 23 October– Sunday 4 November with Prize Giving being on Tuesday 16 October.

Former Pupils

We are always happy to celebrate the successes of our former pupils and welcome them back to visit us.

We were very pleased to have former pupil Paul West as our guest speaker at our Prize Givings before half term. Parents will have heard how the excellent education he received here set him up for a distinguished career in education.

This afternoon we are pleased to welcome back another former pupil, Nicholas Duncan. Nick had performed in productions such as Avenue Q, Mamma Mia, Cats, Oliver and Matilda. At this minute in time Nick is taking a Matilda Workshop for pupils and students from Year 10 upwards.

Any parents who watch daytime TV show Doctors may have seen former pupil Salina Brathwaite playing the part of Sarah Robinson yesterday.

Finally, former pupil and student Richard Pitt is currently appearing in the West End production of Young Frankenstein as Associate Choreographer as well as performing in the Ensemble. Richard is no stranger to the West End having previously performed in Crazy For You and Riverdance as well as worldwide.

Her Majesty's Theatre London Sunday 12 November

On Sunday, seven of our Senior Pupils will be joining Miss Amanda's Saturday pupils to perform on stage in the West End. They will be performing numbers from the school show as well as taking part in the finale. This is the first time we have taken part in a "Bobby Dazzler" performance and we are all very much looking forward to this exciting opportunity. I am sure you will join me in thanking Miss Monique for organising the event and wishing Miss Amanda and all the performers the very best of luck.

School Outings

We have been arranged the following outing for next week:

Tuesday 14 Year 7 & 8 Pupils will be going to the Odeon in Nuneaton to see "A Monster Calls" as part of the Into Film Festival

Wednesday 15 Year 7 & 8 pupils will be going to the Black Country Museum as part of their Chemistry at Work event.

Thursday 16 Pupils in Years 3,4,5 and 6 will be going to the Black Country Museum for their Chemistry event and Year 9, 10 & 11 pupils will be going to the Warwick Arts Centre to see a French film called Un Sac De Billes.

Finally, on **Friday 17** Years 9, 10 & 11 will be attending the World Skills Show at the NEC.

As you can see, there is never time to be bored and we haven't even started the Christmas festivities yet!



Children in Need Friday 17 November

As you can see overleaf, pupils have a very busy week next week and Years 9, 10 & 11 will not be in school on Children in Need Day. We will therefore have our non-uniform day at the end of term, so that everybody can be involved.

We would however like to hold a Children in Need **cake sale on Friday** and any donations would be gratefully received. There will be other activities that pupils can spend their pennies on. We will also be taking part in the Guinness World Record Tap-a-thon on Sunday 19 November to raise yet more funds for Children in Need. Miss Georgia will be running the Tap-a-thon this year as Miss Jessica approaches her maternity leave.

Thank you for helping us support this charity.

PTFA Festive Pamper Evening Friday 17 November in the Prep School 7pm-9pm.

Mums, you should have all been given an invitation to this event by your son or daughter. This is an opportunity to be pampered as well as buy gifts. There will even be a fortune teller! Beauty treatments such as massage and facials will be available in all the class rooms and stalls and refreshments, including a Prosecco bar, will be in the hall. It will be a lovely evening and I hope to see you all there. Children are welcome and there will be treats that they can buy as well as tattoos, manicures etc.

Staff News.

I am sure you are aware that Miss Jessica and her husband are expecting their first child. Miss Jess is starting maternity leave at the end of this month. Pupils have been introduced to Miss Kate who will be covering the majority of Miss Jess's classes. Miss Kate is a very experienced and qualified teacher who happens to be the daughter of an IDTA examiner and so has excellent credentials. I am sure you will join me in welcoming her to Pattisons.

Miss Jess's Monday & Tuesday classes will be covered by Miss Tina and Miss Georgia.

DIARY DATES

NOVEMBER	12	West End Theatre Performance
	14	Y7 & 8 Cinema Trip
	15	Year 7 & 8 Black Country Museum outing
	16	Year 3, 4, 5, & 6 Black Country Museum outing
	16	Y9, 10 & 11 Cinema Trip
	17	Skills show at NEC, Y9, 10 & 11
	17	Children in Need day
	17	PTFA Festive Pamper Evening 7—9pm
	19	Children in Need Tap-A-Thon
	25	Coventry Speech & Drama Festival
	27	Year 11 Mock GCSEs & Year 10 Tests all week
	29	Flu Nasal Immunisation Reception to Year 4 pupils
DECEMBER	4	Book Fair all week in Mrs Smith's classroom (8.30am, lunchtime and afterschool)
	6	Coventry University Carol Service - Senior & Chamber Choir performing
	8	Early Years Christmas Outing
	11	Carol Service Rehearsal at Stoke St Michael's Church (during school hours)
	13	Carol Service at Stoke St Michael's Church 6.30pm followed by PTA Raffle Draw
	15	Years 3 to 6 Christmas Outing
	19	Prep School Christmas Play 9am
20	Close for Christmas at 3pm. No after school lessons or supervision	
JAN	8	Year 10 start 2 weeks Work Experience
	9	School reopens for Spring Term