

## Newsletter



**PATTISON**  
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Dear Parents

The excitement after two lovely prize givings continues and hopefully you have seen your text and email about our Compliance Inspection this week! The parents questionnaire is a vital part of that inspection. It does have to be completed by the end of the school day on Tuesday at the latest and we are judged on the percentage of parents that complete it. I am sure I can rely on your support in this matter.

As I say in every newsletter, parents should never hesitate to contact us should they have any concerns or any good news they would like to share with us.

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### Senior School Prize Giving

What an amazing evening! Our first ever prize giving at Coventry University proved to be a great success. Thanks to Miss Monique and Mrs Sewell and our very hard working pupils for making it possible.

Thank you to those parents who have already taken to time to email to pass on their congratulations.

There was Ballet, Choral Speaking, (soon to be performed at the Coventry Drama Festival) and singing, including the whole senior school performing and item from Hamilton and The Impossible Dream.

Another really new feature was a slide show of events through last year with Head Boy, William, and Head Girl, Abigail, providing the commentary. The confidence with which they spoke was remarkable.

As for the speaker, it was Dr Kristina West, a former pupil, an international journalist and now a university lecturer enjoying a sabbatical as she researches for the three books promised to her publisher. The first one is soon to be published, the second in 2020. Kristina had something for everyone, not just the winners. It was a delight to listen to and two thirds of the eligible pupils won prizes, with most won by those with 100% attendance. I am sure you will join me in thanking Miss Monique and Mrs Sewell for enabling your children to excel.

The whole event was so successful that we have already booked the venue for next year and Prize Giving will be held on 17 October which will also include pupils in Years 5 and 6. Next year, academic prizes will be awarded to Years 7/8 and 9/10 rather than Key Stage 3 (Years 7, 8 & 9) and Key Stage 4 (Year 10).

### PTFA Christmas Indulgence Fair Saturday 24 November in the Prep School 5pm-8pm.

This is an opportunity to be pampered as well as buy gifts. 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 event 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. Entry is £2 for adults, including a door prize which will be drawn on the night. There is no charge for children to attend

### School Outings in November

We have been arranged the following outings :

**Tuesday 13** Year 7 –11 Pupils will be going to the Albany Theatre to see “Les Choristes”(French film with subtitles) as part of the Into Film Festival

**Thursday 17** Years 9 & 10 will be attending the World Skills Show at the NEC.

**Tuesday 20** Pupils from Year 1 to 6 will be going to the Albany Theatre to see Roald Dahl's “Revolting Rhymes”  
As you can see, there is never time to be bored and we haven't even started the Christmas festivities yet!

### Individual School photographs

All pupils have been given the proof card for the photographs taken in school last month. Please return you orders by Wednesday. Alternatively, you can order online direct from PSP.



### Children in Need Friday 16 November

As you can see overleaf and below, pupils have a very busy schedule over the next few weeks. And we have done a considerable amount of fundraising for charity since September. We also have our inspection! We will therefore have our Children in Need non-uniform day at the end of term, so that everybody can be involved.

Miss Jessica will once again be running the Guinness World Record Tap-a-thon on to raise yet more funds for Children in Need. However, because our young dancers are already committed to Bethany's Wish, this year it will be the Adult Tap class who are taking part. Thank you for helping us support this charity.

### Book Fair 3—7 December

Mrs Smith will be hosting a Scholastic Book Fair with over 200 books to choose from. From fascinating non-fiction to perfect picture books and captivating chapter books, there's something for every child, no matter their age or reading ability. Books will be available to view every day at 8.30 am and during morning and lunch breaks. One we have £300 worth of books, school will receive 100% commission, so please do encourage your child to visit the book fair.

## DIARY DATES

|          |   |  |
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| NOVEMBER | 13  | Remembrance Assembly   |
|          | 13  | All Senior pupils visit to Albany Theatre to see Les Choristes (French film with subtitles) During school time           |
|          | 15  | Year 9 & 10 attending The Skills Show at NEC during school time (Y11 have interviews after mocks with a careers advisor) |
|          | 16  | Children in Need   |
|          | 18  | Children in Need Tapathon Adult Tap and interested pupils.   |
|          | 20  | Y1 to 6 outing to Albany Theatre to see Revolting Rhymes.  |
|          | 24  | Coventry Drama Festival 11.30am  |
|          | 24  | PTA Christmas Indulgence Fair 5pm—8pm Tickets £2 adults (including raffle), children free                                |
|          | 25  | Pupils & Students dancing in the Bethany's Wish production at the Albany Theatre   |
|          | 26  | Year 11 Mocks and Year 10 tests all week.  |
| 28       | Nasal flu drops for Reception to Year 5 pupils (consent forms have been sent home)                |  |
| DECEMBER | 1   | Years 8 & 9 singing at Christmas Wonderland for Macmillan Charity  |
|          | 1   | Commercial Dance Workshops with Miss Holly. Juniors 4pm, Senior 5.15pm £10   |
|          | 3   | Book Fair all week in Mrs Smith's classroom (8.30am, lunchtime and afterschool)  |
|          | 6   | Senior Choir singing at Coventry University Carol Service (during school day)  |
|          | 8   | Senior Pupils Bag Packing at M & S fin City Centre or Coventry Children's Boot Fund. Please do go and support them       |
|          | 11  | Chamber Choir singing at Coventry University Hospital  |
|          | 14  | Prep School Christmas Play 9am. All pupils from Nursery to Year 6 involved. Parents invited to watch.                    |
|          | 14  | Prep School Christmas Parties  |
|          | 17  | Year 1 to 6 Christmas outing to West Midlands Safari Park  |
|          | 17  | PTA packing Christmas Hampers 7pm in room 1  |
| 19       | Carol Service Stoke St Michael Church 6pm— <b>Everyone is involved so all pupils must attend.</b> |  |
| 20       | Nursery & Reception Pupils Christmas Outing to Belgrade Theatre "Santa's Sparkly Surprise"        |  |
| 20       | School closes 3pm   |  |
| JANUARY  | 7   | Inset day—school closed to pupils  |
|          | 7   | Year 10 commence two weeks' work experience placements   |
|          | 12  | Saturday dance classes recommence  |
|          | 16  | Year 9 boosters (consent forms will be sent home)  |
| 22       | Year 11 Parents' Evening  |  |
| FEBRUARY | 13  | Prep School Parents' Evening 4 - 6pm   |
|          | 16  | Break up for half term after dancing.  |
|          | 25  | School reopens   |
|          | 26  | Y10 Parents' Evening   |