

# The Word

THE BEST FROM EVERYONE. ALL OF THE TIME

#### Headteacher's Roundup



Welcome to December. The countdown to Christmas has begun. Our Christmas trees are twinkling angelically in reception and Churchill Hall Thev

provided a very festive welcome to our fabulous prize giving last night.

It was so delightful to take time out of our busy schedules to acknowledge the many achievements of our students in the past year, to celebrate them and our Light Hall family. My thanks to all staff and parents and carers who made the evening so special. We welcomed a past friend of the school, Elizabeth Baker, as our

guest to present the prizes, and we offer her our thanks.

The year 11s are to be congratulated on the way that they are conducting themselves in their mock examinations.

Our child development students, in year 10, have been excellent ambassadors of the school as they have supported St James Church in Shirley with their 'Journey to the Stable' workshops for local year 1 children.

As we enter this period before Christmas our thoughts turn to those who are less fortunate than ourselves. Thank you to everyone who has so far donated non-perishable food items in our house collection for Trussell Trust. This continues until Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December. Please do continue to send items in, they are so gratefully received.

Best wishes for a peaceful weekend.

Annette lamblin

#### 2<sup>ND</sup> DECEMBER 2022



#### Word of the Week

#### **LIBERTY**

Noun: The freedom to think or behave in the way you want and not be controlled by a government or other people.

The slaves escaped the north and cherished the *liberty* and freedom found here.

#### **House Points Totals**

The running totals for number of house points so far are:



#### **Diary Reminders**

#### **All Years:**

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December – School closes for Christmas

#### Year 7:

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December – Year 7 PSHEC Day

#### Year 8:

Monday 12th December - Year 8 PSHEC Day

#### Year 9:

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December – Year 9 PSHEC Day Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December – Year 9 Basketball v St Peter's (H)

#### **Year 10:**

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December – Year 10 PSHEC Day Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December – Year 10 Loudmouth Assembly P3

#### **Year 11:**

Monday 28th November – Friday 16th December – Year 11 Mock Exams

### Year 8 History trip to the Black Country Living Museum - Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January 2023

#### £28.00 per student paid via Parent Pay

Students will be able to see first-hand the conditions that people worked in during the industrial revolution in the Black Country and how it affected their lives.

This trip has a limited number of **100 spaces**, it will be dealt with on a 'first come, first serve basis'. If interested **please pay promptly** to secure your child's space.

Until payment has been made your child's space is not reserved.



#### Thought of the week

#### Human Rights Day - 10th December

Human Rights Day is observed by the international community every year on 10 December. It commemorates the day in 1948 the United Nations General Assembly adopted the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

The formal inception of Human Rights Day dates from

1950, after the Assembly passed resolution 423 (V) inviting all States and interested organizations to adopt 10 December of each year as Human Rights Day.



When the General

Assembly adopted the Declaration, it was proclaimed as a "common standard of achievement for all peoples and all nations", towards which individuals and societies should "strive by progressive measures, national and

international, to secure their universal and effective recognition and observance".

The Universal Declaration of Human Rights sets out a broad range of fundamental rights and freedoms to which all of us are entitled. It guarantees the rights of every individual everywhere, without distinction based on nationality, place of residence, gender, national or ethnic origin, religion, language, or any other status.

Although the Declaration is not a binding document, it

inspired more than 60 human rights instruments which together constitute an international standard of human rights. Today the general consent of all United Nations Member States on the basic Human Rights laid down in the Declaration makes it even stronger and emphasizes the relevance of Human Rights in our daily lives.

The <u>High Commissioner for Human Rights</u>, as the main United Nations rights official, and the Office of the High Commissioner play a major role in coordinating efforts for the yearly observation of Human Rights Day.

#### **Sporting Achievement**

Congratulations to Amin A Year 9 for winning Gold in the British Sambo Open Championships last weekend. This was Amin's first competition with only 6 months training but his hard work and determination paid off. He is now a British Champion in his weight category in Sambo and Wrestling. Well done Amin!



## **Prize Giving**

We were so excited to welcome students and their families to our annual Prize Giving event. Well done to all of our prize winners, we are all so proud of our Light Hall Family.









Deadline: Monday 12th December. Take your castle to the Jill Allport suite between 8.35 and 8.45 and collect it at 3:55 to take home.

The Battle of the Houses ight Hall Inter-House castle

competition

Your task: Design a motte and balley castle. This can be a model, a presentation, in cake form. The choice is yours.

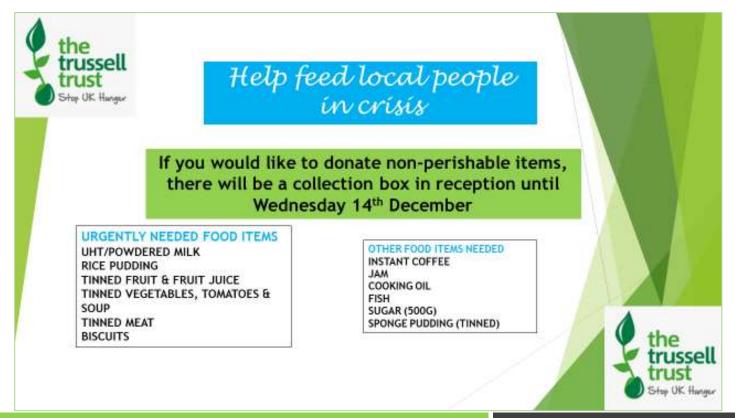


- Historical accuracy
  - Creativity
- Overall presentation





#### Light Hall Extra Curricular Autumn 2022 Wednesday Friday Monday Tuesday Thursday Lunch time After school After school After school Lunch time Football Y7 Jazz Band Basketball Y7 Squad Basketball Y10-11 Drama Club Y7-8 Mr Williams Mr Churchill Mr Churchill Mrs Scattergood 1:25pm Field Gvm Drama Studio 1:25pm Netball Y7 Netball Y10-11 Multi Sports Y7-11 Mrs White Mrs White Mr Nicholls Gym Sports Hall Gym After school Squad Basketball Y8-9 Football Y8-9 Mr Nicholls Dodgeball Y7-11 Mr Williams Sports Hall Mr Nicholls\*Gym Field Football Y10 Rugby Y9-10 Squad Netball Y8-9 Mr Churchill Mr Nicholls Mrs Van Der Bill PE Music Field Field Netball Court/Sports Hall Rock and Pop Y7-11 Art Open Studio Y10-11 Science Art **OCR Sports Science Catch** Mr Sanson ise see Mr Hadett Herested Miss Munn Mr Sansom\*MR2 Up Y10-11 Art rooms Drama Mr Churchill\*E3 their class teacher Art Open Studio Y10-11 Choir Y7-8 Miss Munn Mr Hackett\*MR1 Orchestra Y7-11 Artrooms Mr Hackett\*MR2 Science Club Y7-8 Science Staff\*D2 Guitar Club Y7-11 Music Production Y7-11 Mr Homer\*MR1 Mr Homer Art Open Studio Y10-11 MR2 Miss Munn Art rooms After after school clubs are 3pm - 4pm. Please inform parents/carers that you will be Students must book places their class teacher attending. PE Clubs - Students must ensure they bring the correct kit for their activity. Students for PE clubs to meet outside Gym changing rooms for all clubs Squad nights are for students who are representing the school teams



La Navidad

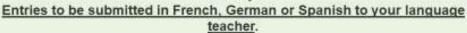
en España

## Light Hall School KS3 Modern Foreign Language Christmas Poster Competition



Learn about Christmas traditions in different countries by taking part in our Christmas Poster Design competition!

Research and design a poster which shows the Christmas traditions of another country.



Each poster should be no larger than a sheet of A3 paper and must be completed by hand but any form of materials can be used - felt tips, paint, fabric etc. Deadline: Monday 12th December







THURSDAY

Spread

kindness and

share the

December

calendar with

others



SATURDAY

help someone who is facing difficulties at the moment

Listen

wholeheartedly

to others

without judging

them

#### MONDAY

Give a gift to

is homeless or

feeling lonely

Be generous.

Feed someone

with food, love or

kindness today

#### **TUESDAY**

Leave a positive message for someone else to find

See how

many different

people you can

smile at today

WEDNESDAY



Share a

happy memory

or inspiring

thought with

a loved one

Do something helpful for a friend or family member

Notice when you're hard on yourself or others and be kind instead

> Look for something positive to say

**FRIDAY** 

Contact

someone you

can't be with

to see how

they are

to everyone you speak to

Give thanks. List the kind things others have done for you

Ask for help and let someone else discover the joy of giving

**SUNDAY** 

Support a

charity, cause

or campaign

you really care

about

Buy an extra item and donate

someone who may be alone or feeling isolated

Help others by giving away something that you don't need

Appreciate kindness and thank people who do things for you

Congratulate someone for an achievement that may go unnoticed

Contact an elderly neighbour and brighten up their day

Choose to give or receive the gift of forgiveness

Bring joy to others. Share something which made you laugh

Treat everyone with kindness today, including yourself!

**December Kindness 2022** 

Get outside. Pick up litter or do something kind for nature

who is far away to say hello and have a chat

Be kind to the planet. Eat less meat and use less energy

Turn off digital devices and really listen to people

Let someone know how much you appreciate them and why

new acts of kindness to do in 2023



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**ACTION FOR HAPPINESS •** 

# NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH HOME SECURITY CHECKLIST



Leaving your home?

# THINK WIDE(N) WINDOWS LOCKED

INTERIOR LIGHTS ON A TIMER
DOORS DOUBLE OR DEADLOCKED

EXTERIOR LIGHTS ON A SENSOR



Use this handy checklist to ensure it is left safe and secure.

and secure.	(NEIGHBOURS) KEEP AN EYE OUT
WINDOWS	DOORS
Are your windows closed and locked?	Is your front door double or deadlocked?
Are your window sensors activated?	Are all the doors to your home locked?
Have you secured your garage and shed windows with locks?	Are your door keys kept out of sight (but to hand in case of emergency)?
INTERIOR	EXTERIOR
Are your inside lights on a switch timer or smart bulb with timer?  Is your home alarm on?  Are your valuable items such as jewellery, car keys, laptops, iPads, cash and phones out of sight?  Are your chargers and cables for laptops/iPads out of view?  Have you created a written and photographic record of any items of value (financial or sentimental)?	Are your outside lights on a sensor?  Have you cut down tall hedges around the outside of your home?  Is all packaging from expensive items i.e. laptops, tablets, phones, games consoles out of sight?  Are your vehicles locked and valuables removed?  Are your sheds, side gates. garages and outbuildings locked?  Are items that can be used to break in, i.e. bricks, rubble, ladders, garden equipment put away?

#### **NEIGHBOURS**

If you are going away for a while, have you let your neighbours know?

Have you joined your local Neighbourhood Watch group? Find your local group here.



For more advice visit ourwatch.org.uk/burglary