

HEADMASTER'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Dear Parents

The focus at the top end of the school over the course of the last week has been around exams, bringing to a conclusion all the hard work and revision that has been much in evidence since half term. I was impressed by the attitude, focus and determination that was on display in the exam rooms of the Sports Hall and Read Hall, and look forward to seeing how all the children have all done in due course.

The sporting programme continued apace, although both rugby for the boys and hockey for the girls is starting to wind down after a busy and successful season. It was great to see the Year 5 and 6 girls competing in a swimming gala, with many impressive swims in evidence from both schools.

On Thursday, there was a slight change within the school as exams finished, advent calendars were opened and Christmas songs started to permeate from music classrooms all around the school. This morning in the Pre Prep assembly, we heard the trio of flautists playing 'Away in a Manger', while the Prep assembly was treated to a wonderful rendition of Gruber's 'Silent Night'. Elsewhere the Pre Prep year groups were busy rehearsing for their Christmas productions, while individual musicians were hard at work learning a wide array of Christmas songs.

Today we also said a fond farewell to Mrs Marno, who leaves us to take up her post at Flegg High School, while simultaneously welcoming Mrs Mansfield to the community. I do hope a number of you will be able to meet with her after school next week, when we have put aside time to meet her in the Green Room.

As we look towards events for the end of term, so the Christmas Fayre starts to come sharply in to focus as we are only a week away. I know that the Woodland Walk tickets have proved to be very popular, so if you are looking to get tickets, please do so quickly, as we would hate for anyone to miss out.

Whatever the weekend may bring for you, I hope everyone manages a moment of respite in the build up to what will be a busy, but highly festive end of term.

With best wishes

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'd. h. wilson'.

