



SECONDARY PARENT / STUDENT WEEKLY NEWSLETTER 16th December 2022

A message from Gareth and Nic Keymer

Dear all,

Thank you all so much for all your kind words, flowers and for thinking of us.

We are slowly getting there and feel slightly better with every day that passes - our other kids have coped amazingly and are certainly keeping us grounded and very busy!

Lots of you have asked about donations in Gethin's memory. Over the last few days, we have been in discussion with the Children's Hospital charity and are pleased to share the following link to a Justgiving page that we have set up with their help. We would like to raise money to buy specific cardiac equipment to be used in the Children's Hospital. We envisage this being a long-term project with lots of fundraising events in the future, so watch this space!

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/gethin-keymer>

Thank you all very much,

Gareth and Nic Keymer

HOST FAMILIES

We have three Interns coming to work at school after Christmas from Spain and Germany.

One in January and two in February 2023.

Please can you contact Susi (s.dalton@europaschool.uk) if you are interested in Hosting an Intern, or would like further details.

S1 GIRLS FUTSAL MATCH

The S1 Girls' Football team took on Headington Girls School in a Futsal Match on Thursday 8th December. After a good warmup the team started brightly, taking on players and showing good control of the ball. Sadly towards the end of the quarter we conceded 2 quick goals through a couple of unfortunate errors.

From the second quarter we addressed our positional problems and started knocking the ball around with confidence and moving the ball through Headington's defensive lines with ease. Unfortunately, despite creating a number of chances we were unable to find the back of the net. The game finished 3-0 to Headington. Congratulations to all players, but a special well done to Leine who was awarded player of the match

THANK YOU TO ACCENT CATERING

Thank you to Accent catering for the delicious Christmas lunch and for creating such a festive atmosphere in the Canteen.



WHEN IT COMES TO NOURISHING YOUNG MINDS AND BODIES, WE'VE DONE OUR HOMEWORK!

Compared to an average
packed lunch an Accent
school meal contains:

**15%
LESS** 
SATURATED FAT

**46%
LESS** 
SALT

2x 
THE FIBRE

1/2 
THE FREE SUGARS



The School Food Standards
have been in place for school
meals for many years.



These standards ensure
school meals provide children
with a balance of nutrients.



There is no existing policy
in place to control what is
brought in packed lunches.



Less than 2% of packed
lunches meet the nutritional
standards.

OUR FRESHLY PREPARED FOOD SUPPORTS OPTIMAL GROWTH & LEARNING!

To book school lunches, please speak to the School Office who will be happy to help.



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the PTA

Huge thanks to everyone that supported the Christmas Fair in so many ways.
It was a great success

How did we do? We aim to get better each time so please let us know: [Give feedback](#)

Tree in need of a good home....

Ali arranged the fabulous tree at Thame Lane from the PTA after our sponsors pulled out at the last minute. We would love it to go to a good home for a small donation. Please get in touch if you could make us an offer and **be able to collect it** on Wed 21st (pm) or Thu 22nd December. (it is 12 feet and heavy – but can be made shorter clearly...)



Dates for your diary

PTA Coffee Morning – Friday 6th January 2023 in Chapel – 08:15 - 09:45

PTA Informal Drop-in - Tuesday 10th January 2023 – to find out more about how to get involved next year – at COSTA Coffee Abingdon by the Jail from 08:45.

AGM: We will host our Annual General Meeting on Wed 11 Jan 20:00 on Zoom.
All welcome to hear the formal report of the year and vote for committee members.

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*Thank you to everyone that helped the PTA this year.
It is highly appreciated and makes a big difference to what we can do for our school community.*



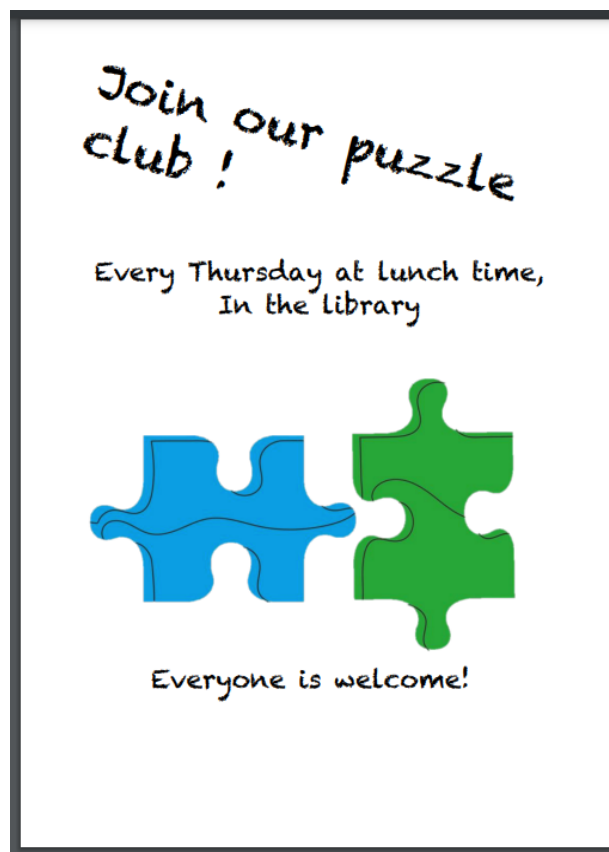
LEGO CLUB



We would like to start a **legoclub** in the new year at lunch time.

Would you have any lego you could donate? If so, please leave them at reception for Mrs Mallett, thank you for your generosity!

JOIN THE PUZZLE CLUB EVERY THURSDAY IN THE LIBRARY



Don't throw away your old books; recycle them in the secondary library!

I will sort them, keep them or give them away. The most damaged ones will even be sold and transformed as pulp to create new books.

A win-win situation: you get rid of books and the library gets money to buy new ones!

When you bring them to the library, please label them carefully so I know what they are and where they come from, thank you!

DUKE OF EDINBURGH

S3 Students - Sign up here for Bronze Duke of Edinburgh in Spring 2023
<https://forms.gle/JBxoYKDbZQEJTaj98>

With all the Bronze and Silver expeditions complete this year it's now time to get the rest of your sections signed off. Please contact your assessor and ask them to submit their final reports. We are busy preparing for the year ahead and signing up the new S3's and S4, S5 and S6 for their next level.

We are looking forward to launching the GOLD award for the first time at Europa School. It's never too late to join. If you are interested then please contact DofE@europaschool.uk

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all our volunteers and the PTA for their invaluable support.

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES - January 2023

It is no longer possible to sign up your children for activities as the parent portal is closed. Please email activities@europaschool.uk and I will add them if there is room. If there are not enough students to run a course I will have to cancel the activity.
Georgie Neville

SINGING GROUP

S1, S2 and S3 singing club meets on Fridays at lunch time in Brahms (music block).
Open to all abilities. If you are interested please contact Mrs Scaber.

MUSIC THEORY CLUB

S3 - S7 Music Theory club on Tuesday's 12h40 - 13h15
For more information, please email t.ognjenovic@europaschool.uk

PARENT PORTAL

Please check on the Parent Portal that your address and contact phone numbers are correct.

PARENTS UCAS WEBINAR SERIES

We are once again offering a series of webinars for the parents and carers of students looking to start university in 2023. We will also hold a parents' webinar on student finance in March 2023 and on accommodation in May 2023.

Register for Webinars via the link below

<https://www.bath.ac.uk/topics/information-for-parents/>



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REGISTRATION CLOSES NEXT WEEK

WEEKEND CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

INTERACTIVE CAREER MASTERCLASSES FOR AGES 12-18

We write to inform you that we are almost full for some of our most popular weekend career programmes, and registration is set to close next Sunday 23rd October.

On the programmes, students will participate in hands-on activities that give them a genuine experience of professional life. Programmes are available in 19 different careers, ranging from Medicine and Investment Banking, through to Art and Filmmaking.

All programmes take place on Sundays at UCL; there is also a live online option for those who cannot attend in-person.

REGISTRATION CLOSES NEXT WEEK

VIEW & REGISTER - AGES 15-18  **VIEW & REGISTER - AGES 12-14**



 www.investin.org  info@investin.org  +44 (0)203 488 5089

[12-14 Weekend Programmes](#)

[15-18 Weekend Programmes](#)

*Students can receive a 10% discount by inserting the code **EUROPASCHOOL10** at the registration page.

Summer Career Experiences in London



Our Summer Experiences offer the ultimate, 360-degree experience of professional life for ages 12-18. Whilst weekend programmes are classroom-based, our Summer Experiences take place at top industry sites across London - including immersions in hospitals, courtrooms, skyscrapers, film sets and much more.

Students can register for these now at a 15% discount.

SUMMER EXPERIENCES: AGES 15-18

SUMMER EXPERIENCES: AGES 12-14

[12-14 Summer Career Experience in London](#)

[15-18 Young Summer Experiences 2023](#)

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CONTACT EMAILS

If you have any questions regarding the IB Diploma Programme (S5, S6 and S7) please email Mrs Simpson at ibdiplomacoordinator@europaschool.uk

If you have any questions regarding the IB Middle Years Programme (S1, S2, S3 and S4) please email Mrs Butcher at ibmypcoordinator@europaschool.uk

If you are an external student and would like to apply to the school to do the IB Diploma please contact Mrs Fabulet at admissions@europaschool.uk

If you have any questions regarding UCAS and S4 Work Experience please contact Mrs Charalambous at i.charalambous@europaschool.uk

If you have any questions regarding Careers please contact Mrs Powell at l.powell@europaschool.uk

If you have any questions regarding public (GCSE/MYP and DP) or internal examinations (years S4-S7) please contact Mme Jouhandin at examsofficer@europaschool.uk

If your child is absent please email absence@europaschool.uk before 9h00

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

DECEMBER 2022

Tuesday 20th December **15h45** School holiday begins

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

WEDNESDAY 21st DECEMBER 2022 to WEDNESDAY 4th JANUARY 2023

JANUARY 2023

Thursday 5th January	Return to school - First day of the 2nd Semester
Friday 6th January	8h15 PTA Coffee morning - Chapel
Monday 9th January	S5 GCSE Maths Mock exam Paper 1
Tuesday 10th January	S6 Reports issued
Wednesday 11th January	S7 Lang A Lang & Lit Oral IA (English) - Mock S6 Trinity College Visit
Thursday 12th January	S7 Lang A Lang & Lit Oral IA (English) - Mock 16h30 S4 + S5 Girls badminton v SHSK (Home) 19h00 - 21h00 Online IB Open evening
Friday 13th January	S7 Lang A Lang & Lit Oral IA (English)) - Mock S5 Semester 1 Full report issued
Monday 16th January	S7 Lang A Lang & Lit Oral IA (German)) - Mock 11h00 - S5 GCSE Maths Mock exam Paper 2
Tuesday 17th January	S7 Lang A Lang & Lit Oral IA (German) Rm 200) - Mock 15h00 - S1 and S2 Girls Football v Didcot (Home) S5 Student-parent-teacher consultation evening - ONLINE
Thursday 19th January	U15 boys football v Burford School Immunisation session : Flu S1,S2 S3 and HPV S2+S3