



THE FULHAM BOYS SCHOOL

A Church of England School

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

I hope you all are well and are looking forward to Christmas. Thank you for your ongoing support this year, and given everything that is going on in the country and world at the moment, we have had a very successful term. Our boys' attendance especially, has been excellent. I wish you a peaceful Christmas and a Happy New Year, and I forward to us all moving to the new site in the February.

Nadolig Llawen and Blwyddyn Newydd Dda.

Celebration assembly - Friday 11th December

This morning, boys watched the end of term Christmas Celebration Assembly in their forms. It was great to still be able to celebrate all the hard work from boys this term, even though we couldn't do it in a whole school assembly. Parents can watch the assembly at the links here: [Part 1](#), [Part 2](#) and [Part 3](#).

Please see below for upcoming dates for your diary and information for the first week back in January.

Diary Dates

Friday 11th December	Last day of term
Monday 14th December to Friday 1st January	Christmas holiday
Monday 4th January	First day of term
Friday 15th January	INSET day

Information for Parents

Uniform and appearance

We have noticed over the last few days that the standards of the boys uniform has not been as high as it usually is. Please can you ensure that your son returns to school in January in immaculate uniform, including the correct school bag, black socks, plain black coat (no furry hoods), hair in line with school



policy and their shirts tucked in. This includes boys in Year 7 all the way to Year 13. Standards, standards, standards.

Benevolent fund

As I'm sure you are aware, the school has done a lot over the last few weeks to help the most vulnerable in our society, which is more keenly felt this Christmas than ever before. Any money that we have raised is going to the school's benevolent fund - this will be used for boys and their families who may be going through difficult times at the moment, or will do in the future. If you feel that you could benefit from this, please get in touch, or if you know of anyone who needs our help at the moment, please let us know.

Christmas 'Fulham Aid' EP

Our selection of Christmas songs sung by boys and staff is now available to purchase with proceeds going to the school's benevolent fund. There are three songs available for digital download:

- O Come All Ye Faithful
- Santa Claus is Coming to Town
- O Holy Night

Please purchase your copy [here](#). Once paid for, you will receive a link for digital download. We will also be burning a limited number of physical copies, please indicate this on the form if you would like one. These will be sold on a first come first served basis. Thank you to Mr Burns for all his hard work producing this!

Year 7 and Year 8 Maths

Would you like to be able to support your child with their maths? In January, Eedi.com are offering a free webinar for parents of Year 7 and Year 8 boys, the focus is on common mistakes and how to help at home. Click this [link](#) for full details.

Parent feedback survey

We really value your feedback about the school's unique attributes and we would appreciate your thoughts about these by filling out the attached [short survey](#). It shouldn't take more than 5 minutes and you will be in with a chance of winning a £50 Amazon voucher!

Examinations Autumn - Spring 2020-21

Year group	Exam week	Reports go live on Parent Portal
Year 7 and Year 8	7th - 11th December	Monday 18th January
Year 9 and Year 10	30th November - 4th December	Monday 18th January

Year 11 - Round 2	4th - 14th January	Friday 29th January
Year 12 and Year 13	18th - 22nd January	Thursday 11th February

FBS Digital Magazine

We have recently launched our [Digital Magazine](#) which outlines how parental donations support the work of the school. In addition, as we prepare for our move to our new site on the Fulham Road, the magazine showcases a number of sponsorship opportunities which will enable us to buy the equipment we need to ensure that our new school offers the very best opportunities to our students. There are also a host of other ways in which interested parties can support the school in a non-financial way.

In order to realise our ambitions, we need your help to send the magazine far and wide across your personal and professional networks. If you know any individuals or organisations who may wish to support the school, please send them the link to the [magazine](#) which you can copy and paste from your web browser. The more coverage we can get, the greater the chances of success!

Let Friends help you get ready for Christmas!

In the [Friends Online Christmas Market](#) you will find everything you need for Christmas all in one place - cards, gift wrap, flowers and gardeners, gifts, cosmetics, skincare, clothes and even locally brewed beer and your Christmas tree! Full details can be found on the Friends [website](#). All proceeds of the Friends' Christmas fundraising is going to equip the new gym at the permanent site.

Naked Nosh Christmas menu

Our school chef Mike has created a revamped menu of deliciously Christmassy dishes, from family bakes to celebration roasts through to sides and deliciously tempting desserts, for Christmas deliveries. Please see the menu [here](#), and contact Mike if you have any questions (mike@schoolnosh.com).

Book Amnesty

Lots of books taken out during the first lockdown have still not found their way back to the library. Please search under the bed, behind the desk, in the wardrobe and anywhere else you may leave your books. We are very grateful for your assistance in returning overdue books to the library so other students can read them.

Special mentions

Social Enterprise

Thank you for all the support this term with our Christmas Social Enterprise projects - we are so delighted that we have been able to make a difference in the local community this Christmas. Thank you to all boys, parents and staff for all their contributions, and also to our Head Boy Team and Prefects who have been such a huge help with this within the school.



- **Hammersmith and Fulham Foodbank** - well done to Dickens House who brought in the most donations for the Foodbank, and Brunel who came in second place! Thank you to all boys, parents and staff who brought in food - we donated over 40kg of items, all of which will go to help those in need in the local community. You can find out more about the great work that the Foodbank does [here](#).
- **Christmas shoeboxes** - thank you for all of the hard work that has gone into creating so many wonderful shoeboxes filled with gifts, these will be distributed in the community by local charities to ensure that those in need receive gifts this Christmas.
- **Christmas letters and cards** - Christmas can be a lonely time for some, so we are so glad to be providing christmas cards and letters written by the boys to local charities and care homes.
- **MAYOO** - we have raised an incredible £1,301 this term for the school charity MAYOO, with all proceeds going to support girls' education in Kenya. Thank you to the Y10 co-curricular group and everyone who provided and bought cakes, jewellery and christmas cards!

Library awards

Congratulations to 7U and 8U who are the library class winners this week. You have read 703,757 and 702,706 words respectively. Year 7 winners this week are Rhys C who has read 200,932 words and Latif for excellent quizzing this week. Year 8 winners this week are Jack M who has read 352,982 words and Reuben for excellent quizzing. Keep reading over the holidays gents!

University offers

Well done to all the boys who have submitted their UCAS applications, we are so pleased that boys have received offers from the following universities: Universities of Warwick, Surrey, Sussex, Abrystwyth, Bournemouth, Gloucestershire, Keele, Stirling, Kent, Manchester, Bristol, Essex, Exeter, Leeds, Nottingham, York, Queen Mary and Royal Holloway.

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CEO and Executive Headmaster