

## Newsletter 25<sup>th</sup> November 2016

Menu Week: Week beginning 28th November will be Week 4

Christmas Lunch for pupils is on Tuesday 13th December 2016

Children in Need

Many thanks for everyone's support - we raised a fabulous total of £295.19 in





school, this is on top of the Russell House event where Liam raised over  ${\bf £150}$  by

arranging a Custard Challenge! Liam endured fifteen minutes with his feet in custard (with added Marmite and beans) with Deputy Head of Care, Trina enduring fifteen minutes with her feet in custard. Following this and after smashing his target of £100, Liam poured the custard over Tim, Head of Care watched by staff, pupils and visitors to Russell House! Well done Liam!!

Our Friday night gym club also held a 'bounceathon' which was thoroughly enjoyed by all their members and took our fundraising in to the evening!

There are more Children in Need photographs on our website – please take a look.

### Half Termly Update...

This week, along with the newsletter, you will also receive a 'Half Termly Update' document which I think you will all enjoy reading and looking at. It will give you an insight from Russell House and all of the Phases with regards to the work we've been doing in school since September. We will be sending one of these home to parents each half term.

Year 10



As part of their PSHE curriculum Year 10 enjoyed a lovely afternoon tea at The Gatsby Emporium in Kidderminster. It is a fantastic place that recently won a Mike Oborski No Barriers award for supporting people with disabilities. Nothing is too much trouble! We enjoyed a lovely drink, cake and practiced our social skills. Thank you Tia and Team at the Gatsby.



### Request from Mrs Garratt - Help Wanted Please

As you know we are applying to open a new Special School in the Malvern area of the county and replicate Wyre Forest School in order to support more families and try and reduce the pressure on places at our school.

If you know of any parent groups or specific special needs groups that have parents from the Malvern area that I can meet with to gain their perspective of what is needed, please contact the school office. I would be very grateful. LOCAL SCHOOLS FOR SPECIAL CHILDREN.

#### **Skills Show**

We took 30 Upper school pupils to the NEC to get involved in the fabulous Skills Show on Thursday 17th November. Every pupil behaved impeccably and were a credit to the school. There were some fantastic stalls from a huge variety of 'the working world' and our pupils threw themselves into the occasion, getting involved thoroughly in the demonstrations, asking questions and their enthusiasm was infectious.

Many pupils came away from the day, richer for the experience and with a clearer goal of things that they may be interested in when they move on from Wyre Forest School.









# PLEASE REMEMBER - SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPH ORDERS NEED TO BE RECEIVED BY MONDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER AT THE LATEST, THANK YOU.

NOVEMBER	
25 <sup>th</sup>	1.30pm – Parents ASC workshop 1 – Supporting Communication
DECEMBER	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	BEECH Assembly
6 <sup>th</sup>	Walter Nash Family Swim Session
7 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Fayre (2-4pm) Details tbc
9 <sup>th</sup>	HAZEL Assembly
9 <sup>th</sup>	Early Years Christmas Performance (afternoon)
12 <sup>th</sup>	Kidderminster Male Voice Choir performance for pupils (afternoon)
13 <sup>th</sup>	Christmas Lunch for pupils – more details nearer the time
13 <sup>th</sup>	Middle School Christmas Church Service (afternoon)
15 <sup>th</sup>	Lower School Christmas Performance (afternoon)
16 <sup>th</sup>	Last Day of Term