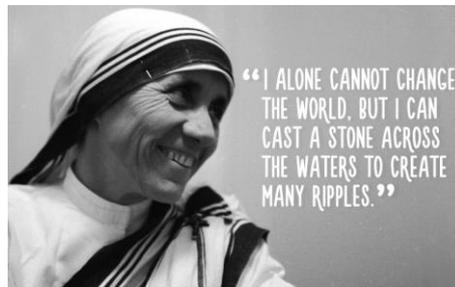




"Girls should never be afraid to be smart." - Emma Watson



Dear Parents,

I trust that everyone has had a good half term break, especially enjoying the fantastic weather. The children have certainly been appreciating the warmer temperatures and the opportunity to enjoy the grounds more. The next half term sees a further flurry of activity, with every week packed, it seems, with a wide variety of activities from World Book Day (being marked a little early today, and next week), class assemblies (well done Form I this morning), Form VI busy learning lines in readiness for their show rehearsal week, trips, workshops and above all, fun!

Next Friday is International Women's Day and we will find opportunities to celebrate figures who have achieved success, often through great adversity. Certainly the examples above, Michelle Obama, Mother Theresa of Calcutta and Oprah Winfrey have given inspiration to many and I hope that our pupils will feel inspired by the opportunity to consider those who have sought to be great role models and to empower others. We seek to build self-confidence in our children and to help them to be resilient and strong people for the future.

### **Congratulations**

There has been lots to celebrate since our last newsletter. The girls selected to represent the school in the ISA London North Cross Country did fantastically well, Form IV coming 5<sup>th</sup> out of 23 schools, and Form VI coming 4<sup>th</sup> out of 28 schools. Two girls, Chloe in Form IV and Helena in Form VI, qualified for the national event at the end of March. Well done all.

Further congratulations go to Cassie in Form VI, who was successful in her audition for the National Youth Music Theatre and has been selected for the 2019 Company, a huge achievement. Cassie will take part in the forthcoming production of *Growl – the true story of the Big Bad Wolf*, which will be touring in Leicester, Bury St Edmunds and Kingston in the summer.



### **FOSH Second Hand Uniform Sale**

A final reminder that donations to the second hand uniform must be received today so they can be sorted ahead of the forthcoming sale.

### **Staff News**

Mrs Buckland will be reducing her hours to part time from September. There is an opportunity for a part time teaching position in Form II, which will be advertised shortly on local Facebook parent networks. We are in the process of recruiting a new Head of Learning Support, which is also being advertised currently.



Congratulations to Miss McPhee and her husband Oli, who became parents on 11<sup>th</sup> February to Emilia, weighing 8lb 9oz. Mother and baby are doing well.

### **School Pond – a request**

Mrs Buckland would be very grateful for any donations of pond plants. We would like to plant a nice range of plants in our new pond to encourage wildlife. There will be a celebration of the pond at the end of term and it would be lovely to have things planted out in time to become more established. Please speak to Mrs Buckland if you have anything that you can donate.

### **Form VI Production**

You will have received an email inviting you to the Form VI Production, which this year is a Wild West swashbuckler entitled 'Ye Ha!'. Tickets are available from the Office and you are promised a great evening.

The next newsletter will be sent on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March, the day of the Quiz Night, which I understand is a sell-out. Many thanks to the team and to those who organised the lovely recipe book.

With best wishes

Mr Sayers  
Headmaster



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