

High Notes

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Dear Parent/Carer

Community events

- **The Christmas Cavalier - a pantomime:** Wilmslow Guild, Bourne Street, Wednesday 12th – Saturday 15th December. Tickets £7 from 01625 520126
- **Wilmslow Artisan Market: Christmas Special:** Wilmslow's award winning artisan market returns with over 100 stalls offering food, drinks and crafts on Grove Street and Bank Square, Saturday 15th (10.00am - 8.00pm) and Sunday 16th December (10.00 – 4.00pm)
- **Barnaby Choir Christmas Concert:** Saturday, 15th December, 7.30pm until 9.30pm at the United Reformed Church, Chapel Lane, Wilmslow. Tickets: £10, concessions £8, students £2 on the door or call 01625 526065
- **Silk Opera – Christmas on Broadway:** Wilmslow Guild, Bourne Street, Thursday 20th December, 7.30pm. Tickets: £10 (£8 children) from www.christmas-broadway.eventbrite.com
- **Two day hockey camp for children** from ages 6 to 16 at the Edge Hockey Centre at The Ryleys Playing Field, Thursday 20th to Friday 21st December. £40 for two days, £25 for one day, contact www.aecc.org.uk/ Kelvin Briggs for an application form: kelvinbriggs@btconnect.com or call 07825 213205
- **Football camp:** Wilmslow High School is hosting a football camp on December 22nd, 23rd and 24th for children aged 4+, organised by local junior football provider 'PFC'. For details visit their website (premierfc.com) or phone 41515. Price is £40 for all 3 days or £15 per day
- **Daisy the Donkey** comes to Sainsbury's for the Animal Sanctuary, Monday 24th December
- **Beauty and the Beast, the Panto,** at The Woodford Centre, January 8th – 12th, www.chyfspanto.com. This performance involves a number of Wilmslow High School students.

For more community news, visit the wilmslow.co.uk website and read the most recent school posts: 'Triumphant trampolinists'.

Examinations

- The January examination timetables for GCE and GCSE are now available to access from the calendar tab on the school website
- **January 2013 examinations:** all students who have been entered for AS, A2 or GCSE level examinations in January have this week been issued with an individual timetable and examination instructions. Please see below for details regarding which students should have received this information
- **Year 10:** students in science sets 2, 3, 4 and 5 and students studying information technology
- **Year 11:** all students

- **Year 12:** students studying the following subjects: science, business studies, information technology, sociology, psychology, mathematics, law and economics
- **Year 13:** all students (dependant on subject options and re-sits)
- Students have been asked to check their entries carefully and in particular to check that any re-sit(s) they have requested are included. Students must notify the examinations officer, Mrs Gamble, immediately if they believe there are any errors or omissions.

6th form

- **Former Year 13 Certificate afternoon:** This will take place in the learning area from 4.00pm until 6.00pm on Wednesday 19th December. It will be an informal occasion for students to collect certificates and meet old friends
- **UCAS – Year 13**
A reminder that all hard copies of applications must be returned to Mrs Rogers as a matter of urgency. It is not enough to press pay and send as the final checking process does not begin until the hard copy and tracker sheets are returned. Please see Mrs Rogers if you have any concerns/questions regarding the UCAS process
- **Sixth form Christmas event**
Thank you to parents, students and staff for their support and contribution towards the Christmas fun event on Wednesday. The students raised just over £1500 which will be split between the May Ball fund and the charity, Genesis Breast Cancer
- **Additional study leave**
Students are allocated a half day of study leave before each exam they sit. If, however, a student has a particularly heavy timetable, he/she should make an appointment to see Mr Hancock to discuss the possibility of additional study leave.

Reminders

- Students' coats and 'hooded tops': some students have been wearing a hooded top as a coat or underneath their blazer. Hooded tops are not part of the school uniform and must not be worn. The uniform policy states that: 'Any outdoor coats worn must be plain black with no large logos. Hoodies, gilets and leather/leather-look jackets and coats are not permitted'
- In the event of there being any reason that necessitates an unexpected school closure, e.g. adverse weather conditions this information will be:
 1. Published on the school website
 2. Supplied by text message to those parents for whom we have up to date mobile phone numbers
 3. Broadcast by the following local radio stations:
BBC Radio Manchester, BBC Radio Stoke, Cheshire FM, Canalside Radio, Signal Radio and Silk FM
- Students will be finishing school on Thursday 20th December at the following times: Years 7 and 8 at 12.30pm, Years 9 and 10 at 12.35pm and Years 11, 12 and 13 at 12.40pm. Students return to school at 8.40am on Monday 7th January.

Community charity event request

- The Seashell Trust are organising a 'bag packing' fundraising event on 23rd December, 11.00am – 5.00pm, at Handforth Dean M & S. They need 36 volunteers to help spread the workload over 6 hours on that day. Their aim is to raise over £1000. If you or a friend, neighbour or colleague are able to give up one hour of your time on that day it could make a big difference to the 16 children they will care for this Christmas. If you can help, please contact Wendy Bray on 0161 610 0168.

Events next week

- Former Year 13 students' A level/BTEC certificate collection afternoon, 4.00pm, Wednesday 19th December, pavilion
- Christmas Concert (Wednesday 19th December, 7.00pm): an evening of festive music and song performed by Wilmslow High School students.
Tickets: £5 adults and £3 for concessions. Contact Mr Morley (gmorley@wilmslowhigh.cheshire.sch.uk) on 526191 for more information
- Coffee and Carols (Thursday 20th December, 10.30am – 12.15pm): join us for mince pies, coffee or tea and carols at this free of charge community morning event. For more information contact Mr Morley on the above email or phone number.
- School closes for students at 12.30pm on Thursday 21st December.

Did you know.....

- That a voluntary 'smoke free code' is being launched in open play areas in Cheshire East in February 2013? The aim of the code is to de-normalise the habit of people smoking near children whilst they are playing, reducing a child's exposure to seeing people smoke in public places.

Dates for your diary

- Wednesday 9th January: Year 10 science examinations (240 students), sports hall and LRC ambassadors and quiz team members visit to Parrs Wood Cinema
- Thursday 10th January: Year 11 English language GCSE examination (295 students), sports hall and Year 9 geography GCSE taster day, Liverpool
- Friday 11th January: Year 11 art workshop

Please do not reply to this email. If you need any further information please visit the school website or contact main reception on 526 191.