



Newsletter December 2016

I write to you at the end of a busy and eventful term. This week we have staged our first ever pantomime, Buttons and Squeak, performed by the students of 8S with support from members of 8T. It was a fantastic success, and the girls really bought the story to life. I would like to thank Mrs Tremaine, Mrs Walford and Ms Henderson for their help with the production. We also had a whole school dance showcase, when the girls performed dance routines that they have been working on with Isla from Boom Dance Academy. We have also held our annual Christmas carol service at St Peters Church in Limpsfield. Students had reworked the nativity story, and our choir sang beautifully. I was very proud of everyone who took part.

Over the past few weeks current and former students have been active in our local community. Students from 7H visited the British Wildlife Centre in Lingfield as part of the Outdoor Learning curriculum. The girls learnt about wild animals that live in our local area, and about local ecosystems. They really enjoyed their experience at the Wildlife Centre, and were full of enthusiasm and knowledge when they returned to school. Last week students from Years 9 10 and 11 went to the theatre in the West End to watch a performance of An Inspector Calls. Girls in Year 10 and 11 are studying this play for their GCSE in English Literature, and it was very valuable for them to experience this as a stage production.

As part of community engagement programme girls from the Limpsfield Grange School choir spent a memorable morning at the Woodfield Centre in Oxted singing carols for the elderly residents, and this was a great success. We also recently sent a team of Year 8 students from Limpsfield Grange to a local day of dance, where students had to choreograph and present their own routines. The Limpsfield Grange dance troupe was fantastic, and worked very well as a team at this event.

We celebrated the achievements of current and former students in early December at our Duke of Edinburgh Award evening, with special guest Pat Cannon, Chairman of Tandridge District Council. Former students Ellie Mair, Charlotte Kirk and Becky Cousens spoke about their experience of D of E at Limpsfield Grange at St James Palace; and Chloe Turnbull (former student and member of the Limpsfield Grange team) gave a presentation at an international D of E event at Prince Edward's residence in Surrey. Well done girls!

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a peaceful festive season, and a positive new year. We look forward to welcoming the girls back to school on Wednesday 4th January 2017.

With best wishes *Sarah Wild - Headteacher*