



I'm not sure how welcome the inspectors felt when the Air-Raid siren was sounded just as they arrived. Evacuee Day was embraced by all on Tuesday. The costumes worn by both children and staff were wonderful. The lessons were interesting and conversations they inspired were fantastic, We were lucky to have Mrs Mitchell's mother Mrs Irene Stoker come and relay memories of her childhood in Aldershot during the war. I was very proud of all the children who listened beautifully and asked some very relevant questions. On Wednesday, the school 'sparkled' and 'dazzled' with bright colours in support of Mental Health Day. Students and staff brought in brownies and the Best Brownie Winner was voted for. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all students and staff who were chosen at random by the Inspectors for the copious interviews they attended. I would also like to thank all parents and students who took the time to complete the surveys that were sent out. We ended the week with Careers Day. The day went very well and more information about the day's events will be sent out next term. It has been a very busy week at the end of a very full term. The staff and students are going home for a well-earned rest. Enjoy half term and we look forward to seeing the students refreshed on 19th February.

Miss Victoria Smit  
Principal  
Hurst Lodge School

## Dates for your Diary

**Monday 19 February**  
**School recommences**  
**It will be Week 2**

**Tuesday 20 February**  
**Natural History Museum**  
**Trip**  
**Year 7, Year 8,**  
**Charmander and Elm**

**Friday 23 February**  
**Pirate Day**  
**Juniors**

**w/c 26th February**  
**Mock Exams**  
**Year 11, Year 12 and**  
**Year 13**

**Tuesday 27 February**  
**Juniors visiting the army**  
**Flying Museum**

**Thursday 28 February**  
**Junior Parents' Contact**  
**Evening**



## Evacuee Day

Well done to all the Juniors who looked fabulous in their WWII clothing on Tuesday. It was lovely to see all the effort that had gone into their authentic costumes and props!

The amazing Mrs Irene Stoker came in to talk to the Junior School and the Year 8s about her experienced growing up in Aldershot during World War II. The children were fascinated to hear her stories and look at her memorabilia. They all listened beautifully and asked relevant and interesting questions. Thank you, Irene.

Mrs Caroline Jackson

Junior Class Teacher & Co Junior School Lead



# Notelet



As well as dressing up, students took part in a variety of activities that included, map reading, building bomb shelters, first aid and dancing



### Brownie Bake Off

Thank you for all the delicious brownies that were sent in and to our Judges, Anya and Jake

Congratulations to our winners!

Juniors - Sophie from Bumblebees

Seniors - Amy P

Staff - Mrs Mitchell



Congratulations to Stanley, Y11 for being offered a scholarship at Gordons.

Well Done Stanley!

Star Cook  
Seth  
Year 7



Joe from Dragonflies went to Cookery with a very helpful and positive attitude. He helped his friends do the washing up and mopping too! Well done Joe.

### House Pancake Competition

During half term we have the excitement of celebrating Pancake Day! Please take a photo of your amazing pancakes next week and email the photo to [houseleaders@hurstlodeschool.co.uk](mailto:houseleaders@hurstlodeschool.co.uk)

with your name and class attached. We will look at the best and most exciting looking pancakes and choose a winning submission.

Please remember Rashford house is Red, Attenborough house is Green and Malala house is Yellow.

We look forward to seeing all of your colourful and delicious looking pancakes!

Thank you for your support.  
Miss Steele-Bodger, Mr Brown and Miss Butterworth



Wyatt enjoyed his cookery lesson and eating his Toad in the Hole



Fletcher from Charmander Class taking a few moments with one of our pond residents.

### Clothes Swap Shop

A reminder that the Swap Shop has been postponed until Wednesday 21st February. Clean, good condition clothes can be donated until Tuesday 20th February.





# Menu

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## **Monday 19th February**

Jackets, Salads and Sandwiches  
(VG) Vegetarian Samosas

## **Tuesday 20th February**

Pasta with Bolognese sauce or Tomato sauce,  
broccoli and green beans

## **Wednesday 21st February**

Chicken Katsu Curry or Vegan Katsu Curry

## **Thursday 22nd February**

Peri Peri Chicken or BBQ Chicken with new  
potatoes, carrots and peas  
(VG) Couscous with Vegetarian Chilli

## **Friday 23rd February**

Brunch from 11 am

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### *Salad Bar*

Lettuce | Cucumber | Tomatoes | Potato Salad | Coleslaw | Beetroot  
Tuna Pasta | Sweetcorn | 2 Composite Salads

### *Protein*

Sliced Gammon | Boiled Eggs | Mackerel | Tuna

### *Extras*

Yoghurts | Jellies | Fruit | Cheese & Crackers | Plain Pasta  
Jacket Potatoes (with cheese & beans) | Selection of Sandwich  
fillings are available (including Jam, Cheese, Ham)