

December Calendar Dates

Mon 4th & Tues 5th – Year 9 Parent Consultation Evening

Wed 6th – Christmas Carol Service St James' Church West End

Thurs 7th – Christmas Lunch

Thurs 7th – Festive Wear Day

Thurs 7th – Winter Concert 6:30pm

Fri 8th – Year 7 trip to Winchester Theatre Royal Pantomime

Fri 8th December – FROGS Ice-Skating

Mon 11th – Thurs 14th MFL Trip to Barcelona

Wed 13th – End of Term 12:30pm



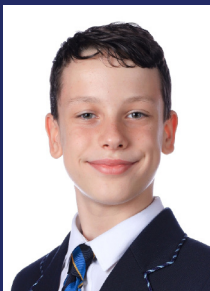
TGS News

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Celebrating 200 Years of RNLI

2024 is the RNLI's 200th Anniversary and to celebrate this occasion, Calshot Lifeboat crew organised a competition for students in the local area to design a t-shirt logo for the crew put on a t-shirt.

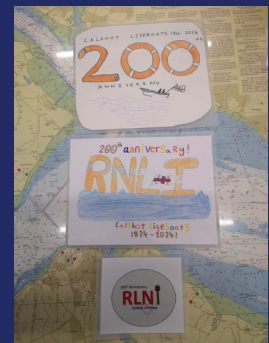
Mrs Carrier is part of the Calshot lifeboat crew and she organised a one off house competition so that students from The Gregg School had the opportunity to enter the competition.



The winning entries from the school competitions were Bertie B (Spartan), Zoe S (Spartan) and Seb R (Trojan).

Bertie's design went forward to represent the school in the competition and he was judged best in the 11-16 age group; however, his design was not selected for the t-shirt.

If anyone wants to come to Calshot to see the lifeboats, they will be having their traditional "Brew with the Crew" from 10am to 2pm on New Year's Day, where you have the opportunity to see the boats and have a cuppa and cakes with the crew.



Also, Class of 2018 student James Johnston (front row second left) had his first trip on the D Class lifeboat as trainee crew last weekend. Great volunteer work James!



FROGS News

Leaping into Christmas

Thank you to our incredible FROGS who organised a very successful Christmas Fayre last Saturday and to everyone who came along and supported the event.



It was heart-warming to see so many staff, students and parents come together to help set up the event, run stalls, help clear up and of course, enjoy the activities and refreshments at the fayre as well as doing lots of Christmas shopping!

The school was brimming with Christmas cheer and the raffle was a huge hit! We are pleased to announce that the event raised over £4,000 for the PTFA.



We'd like to give a special mention to the following for their help:

Jilly F, our Chair of the FROGS, who co-ordinated all of the external stall holders and created all the flyers, social media banners and posters for the event.

Nora A who single handedly made 96 jars of chutney in the preceding week, as well as two gluten free cakes, to sell at the fayre and also ran a craft activity stall for children on the day!

Carl, who, along with Lucy S and her little brother, ran the hugely popular café for three hours straight until our second team took over.

Rayleen and Grace P who ran our sell-out sweet stall. You're all amazing!

Get your skates on!

Ready for some fun on ice? The FROGS are running a family ice skating session at the Southampton Ice Rink next Friday, 8th December.

If you and your family would like to join in the fun, simply sign up using this link:

<https://forms.office.com/e/aQdhYh4wZ1>

Save the date for the FROGS Burns Night Quiz on Saturday 26th January 2024.

Charity Week

As a school we are very proud of our charity endeavours.



We would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who supported our Children in Need non-uniform day, cake sale and teacher challenges last week.



We raised an incredible £700 for the charity. The

cakes were colourful and delicious and the children had enormous fun with their challenges.



Mrs Crowther, Miss Whittaker and Miss Hadfield braved being 'splatted' by cold wet sponges in order to raise cash! Mr Bartlett was excellent in the penalty shoot out and there were some impressive dunks in the basketball challenge.



The student versus staff touch typing competition was close and each time a student beat a teacher a contribution was made to charity.

Supporting the Friends Paediatric Intensive Care Unit

We are currently accepting donations for PICU at Southampton General Hospital.

This year they have requested socks (newborn to age 16), children's books and arts and crafts materials (colouring pencils, pens, activity books, stickers colouring books etc).

Should you and your family wish to support us in this please send new and unused into school by **Tuesday 12th December.**



Festive Wear/Good Donation/Animal Product Donation Day 7th December

Looking forward, on Thursday 7th December we will have our Festive Wear/Food donation or animal product donation Day.



On this day students can wear festive clothing alongside their school uniform (no Blazer required) for a donation of £1 to Save the Children and either a food item for the Eastleigh Basics Bank (stock information can be found on their website: <https://eastleighbasicsbank.co.uk/>)

OR

Animal food/products for the Second Chance Animal Centre.

Thank you for your support.

PlayerLayer Discount

The sale is still on at PlayerLayer with up to 40% off various of our core items such as midlayers, hoodies, socks and shorts until the end of the weekend.



<https://playerlayer.com/teams/gregg-school.html>

MathsWatch and DrFrost November Winners

Well done to the students below who finished in the top three of their year in November and all receive 15 learning habit stickers!

MathsWatch:

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Daniel G	Samuel H	Alex T	Helena R	Amelia S
Sophie C	Lois B	Ethan R	Pippa W	Harrison M
Jack H	George T	Yasin A	Abbie M	Noah K

DrFrost Maths:

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Daniel G	Elise B	Hien L	Pippa W	William D
Ardel F	Noah H	Seb R	Grace P	Nicole G
Jack H	Lexi P	Hilary A	Helena R	Zara S

Cooking up a Storm

Congratulations to Year 10 students Etty T and Henry G who have competed in the regional Springboard Future Chef competition.

It required huge courage to take part and involved lots of practice and preparation beforehand.



Henry did really well with his main dish of breaded chicken and homemade pasta alongside a noodle soup.

We are proud Etty won thanks to her impressive dish of lamb with fondant potatoes and a red wine jus!

Etty has made lots of professional connections, including a chef mentor (Masterchef Professionals finalist Sean Campbell) who will work with her to help her win the next rounds. We are delighted that the chef has also agreed to come into school and teach one of his masterclasses to a group of students!

Thanks for the connection Etty, and best of luck at the South East finals in London in February!

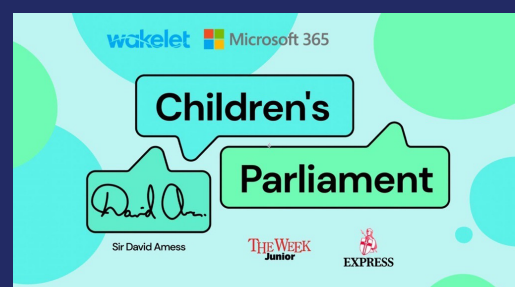


Vote for me

Year 7 student Hasan K has been nominated for the Children's Parliament Prime Minister.



Please take a look at his video and vote for him if you think he is the right candidate for the job! Thank you. <https://wakelet.com/wake/PiCV4gtd3TaFcXI8VtG-6>



Netball Success

Congratulations to the U16 netball team who had their final match this week and beat USH B 5-2. This means they will finish second in the league! Well done to Maisie who got player of the match.



Miss Hadfield

**THE GREGG SCHOOL
YEAR 7 ENTRANCE ASSESSMENT DAY**

SATURDAY 27TH JANUARY 2023

