

**Wymondham High School**  
**House/Sixth Form Assembly**

**[No – 1 (January 2015)]**

**Image 1**

**Good Morning**

**Abbey/Cheshire/Ellis/Macmillan House**  
**Mr Simms, Mr Ellis, Mrs Denyer/Miss Perchard**  
**Mr Cook/ Mrs Dinwoodie**

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**Happy New Year**  
**Welcome to 2015**

**Now I know that is it some 2 weeks ago that we  
celebrated the arrival of another New Year  
but due to the Sixth Form Examinations there has been  
no assemblies**

**So here we are  
Another year has started for all of us  
Actually it's my 34th Year here at Wymondham!!**

**So what did you set out to do better or differently  
on New Years Eve**

**Exercise More**  
**Work Harder**  
**Join a club or Society**  
**Improve my grades**  
**Sort out my career plans**  
**Hand my homework in on time**  
**Keep my bedroom tidy**  
**Improve my attendance record**  
**Increase the number of curriculum credits I receive**

**There are many resolutions that people set up for a  
New Year**

**Are you still sticking to these resolutions two weeks in?**

**Besides setting goals, targets and resolutions for a  
New Year**

**It is a time also to look forward and reflect on the  
previous year**

**I thought it might be interesting to consider some of the  
most common resolutions**

**Image 2**

**These are taken from the top 50 most popular**

**Quit Smoking**

**Write a daily diary**

**Keep check on my expenses**

**I will apologize to all whom I have upset in the previous  
year**

**Will spend more time with my grandparents**

**I will learn cooking**

**I will get enough sleep**

**Will not eat junk food**

**I will get rid of my old clothes**

**I will keep my mail inbox clean**

**I will spend time with my kids**

**Some interesting ideas here maybe!!**

**The celebration of the New Year on January 1st is a  
relatively new event**

**The earliest recording of a New Year is believed to have taken place back in 200BC and then it was Mid March**

**There are in fact a number of other dates linked to different cultures that occur at different times of the Year**

**Image 3**

**Think about the Chinese New Year**

**This Year for example it is the 19th February and Is the Year of the Goat one of the Zodiac Animals**

**The first time January was used as the start of the New Year**

**was in Rome 153 BC**

**Changes occurred since then but in 1582 January 1st became for many the formal start but in Britain we did not adopt the reformed calendar until 1752**

**I thought it might be also interesting to consider this New Year**

**2015**

**When you look at what coming up this year there are many events which we would call significant points in history**

**There are anniversary celebrations and**

**Key Sporting Events of course**

**There are of key moments for each of us this year**

**Your Birthday**

**Your Examinations**

**Your Results**

**Your New Courses particularly those starting  
GCSE's and A Level  
Your End of School Celebrations for Y11 and Y13  
Your Participation in Charity Events  
Sports Events  
Going on Holiday  
Family commitments like  
attending weddings and  
special anniversary celebrations  
Taking Part in School Trips and Visits,**

**I mentioned historical events that are happening this  
year  
well**

**I picked a few examples for you  
and on the screen**

**I have put together some images to help you**

**Image 4**

**10th Anniversary of the First You Tube film recording**

**Image 5**

**25th Anniversary of the Channel Tunnel Breakthrough**

**Image 6**

**25th Anniversary of Nelson Mandela being Freed**

**Image 7**

**50 Years since the Death of Winston Churchill**

**Image 8**

**70th Anniversary of the Liberation of Auschwitz  
Concentration Camp**

**Image 9**

**70th Anniversary of the founding of the United Nations**

**Image 10**

**75th Anniversary of the Battle of Britain**

Image 11  
**150th Anniversary of the ending of the  
American Civil War**

Image 12  
**800th Anniversary of Magna Carta**

Image 13  
**and**  
**on September 9th 2015**  
**Our current Queen will have reigned longer than**  
**Queen Victoria**

**So there is plenty to celebrate and there are many other  
events happening this year  
so look out for them in the coming months**

**Finally here are some images of**  
**New Year celebrations around the World**

Images 14-21

**Music - by Kerry Hardesty**

Image 22

**Moment of Reflection.**

**Finally let's take a moment of reflection on what you  
have heard this morning**

**Let go the old year and welcome in 2015  
Forget all bad memories and failures  
Let this year be more successful  
Happy New Year 2015**

**Enjoy everything you get in life  
and be happy**

**Give yourself a new chance,  
a new moment and a new goal**

**Be confident in what you do  
and enjoy  
home and school**

**Happy New Year!!**

**Thank you**

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