



NEWSLETTER Issue 12

Wednesday 13th December 2017



From Mrs Silke

Dear Parents and Carers,

Despite the rain and snow, Year 6 had a wonderful trip to the Imperial War Museum this week. It was really interesting to see how people lived during this time; the children were thrilled to experience sitting in an air raid shelter. The children were very sensible and respectful and embraced the challenges we faced on the journey with delayed and cancelled trains with resilience and maturity. Well done Year 6!



Year 5 at the Science Museum

On Tuesday the 8th of December, the year 5 students embarked on an exciting adventure to the London Science Museum. The children were engaged in a range of activities focusing on this term's Science topic - Space. In the Museum, the children were invited into the Wonderlab which spread across seven different zones; filled with loads of opportunities to get hands on with real scientific phenomena. They were also treated to an entertaining performance by Michael Faraday about electricity and magnetism. Overall, they had a wonderful day and returned to school with new skills and knowledge to apply to our science work.



Winter Fair Excitement builds

The children are getting really excited about the Winter Fair on Friday after school, and we have had great news that Santa can make it from the North Pole despite the terrible weather we have had recently!

Please remember it's a mufti day and the children have the option to wear a Christmas jumper/festive hair wear and pay £1.00 which will go to Save the Children Charity Appeal.

Both the Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 Choirs are really looking forward to performing at the Fair.

Please remember any cake donations should be bought to school on Friday morning and must be nut free.

Music at Oval

I am pleased to inform you that Year 3 and Year 4 children will be starting to learn to play the recorder next term. The children will need to have a recorder of their own to practice on and bring into school for lessons. Due to budgetary constraints we unfortunately need to ask parents to buy the recorders. Mr Katsaris will be writing to you with information about this before the end of term.

Winter Performances

Reception and Nursery Nativity Play

This will take place on Tuesday 19th December at 8:45am and 1:45pm.

Year 1 to Year 6 Winter Concerts

I am so sorry but we have had to make the difficult decision to postpone the year group concerts that we had planned to hold on the 18th/19th of December, because due to the terrible weather recently, PE has had to take priority in the indoor hall spaces, alongside school meals. As a result, the children have not been able to have their mass rehearsals, to showcase the songs they have been learning in singing assemblies and during lessons. We didn't want to put them in a position where they did not feel confident. Profuse apologies for any inconvenience caused, particularly to working parents who may have arranged time off, when the heads up was given on dates earlier in the term.

So the performances have been rescheduled as follows for week commencing Monday 29th January:

Years 1 and 2 - 8.45am and 2.45pm on Tuesday 30th January 2018

Years 3 and 4 - 8.45am and 2.45pm on Wednesday 31st January 2018

Years 5 and 6 - 8.45am and 2.45pm on Thursday 1st February 2018

Coffee and Mince Pie Mornings

Just a quick reminder that we are holding coffee mornings for Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 on Thursday 14th December at 8.45am and our Coffee morning for Reception and Nursery parents is on Tuesday 19th December also at 8.45am.

The KS 2 Choir will be singing at this event, so do come along.

Parent Consultations in January

We have been informed that we now have an external monitoring visit on 10th January which means that unfortunately we are going to have to change the date of the Tuesday 9th January Parent Consultation evening to Wednesday 17th January. This is so the teachers can prepare for the visit as well as your meeting. A letter is coming home to you today so you can book your appointment slot. If you return your slip by Monday 18th December we will then let you know when your appointment is before the end of term.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Best Wishes

Ali Silke
Principal

Attendance awards

From Monday 4th December to Thursday 7th December 2017

The highest attending class in KS1

(including EYFS) was: **Gill**

The highest attending class in KS2 was: **Darwin**

These classes get to display the attendance cups proudly in their classrooms for all to see until Friday 15th December 2017

Key Dates for your Diaries

Please see important dates below for your Diary:

Date and Time	Location	Event
Thursday 14 th December 8.45am	Lower Hall	Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 Coffee and Mince Pie morning
Friday 15 th December 3.45 – 5.30pm	Dining & Lower Hall	Christmas Fair
Tuesday 19 th December 8:45am	Lower Hall	Reception & Nursery Coffee and Mince Pie morning
Wednesday 20 th December	Playground Dismissal	Last Day of Term Finish at 1.30 pm
Tuesday 2 nd January	SCHOOL CLOSED	INSET DAY
Wednesday 3 rd January	Usual Entry Points	First day of Spring Term
Thursday 11 th & Wednesday 17 th January 3.45pm to 6.30pm	Classrooms	Parent Consultations
Tuesday 30 th January 8.45am and 2.45pm	To be advised	Years 1 and 2 Winter Concert
Wednesday 31 st January 8.45am and 2.45pm	To be advised	Years 3 and 4 Winter Concert
Thursday 1 st February 8.45am and 2.45pm	To be advised	Years 5 and 6 Winter Concert

Our Value last week was **Aim High**

The following children demonstrated this value this week and each received a certificate in assembly. Well done!

BLAKE
O'KEEFE
SEUSS
BOWIE
GILL
WONDER
POTTER
ROSEN
ZEPHANIAH
HILL
LEWIS
WEIR
DARWIN
HAWKING
LOVELACE
DAVIS
PERKINS
PARKS
MANDELA

Chevonne Oyibo
Alicia Medeiros Almeida
Malayah Waul
Tanish Gadkari
Samir Coman
Cianna Lawal
Dulcie Formoso
Hamza Safi
Elizabeth Gordon
Fabiana Lucani Galindo
Kaizar Kesler
Faith Thomas-Johnson
Harini Muthukumar
Avy Adapala
Isaiah Domingos Ajao
Shaila Pio De Souza
Jake Munday
Demariuse Davidson-Campbell
Alina Bila

**School opens at
8.20am for 8.30am start
Please do not be late**

