



## Hearts overflowing with truth and love

### Newsletter 9th December 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

This has certainly probably been the busiest week of the school year so far!

#### The Nativities

Years 1, 2 and 3 treated us to a wonderful Nativity on Tuesday—skillfully choreographed, with strong speaking voices, great singing and an absolute please to observe—so much so that many of you watched the show in the morning and then came back in the afternoon to see it again!!

Then on Wednesday, the children in the Early Years also delivered a wonderful Nativity! The courage many of the children displayed to speak their lines in front of such an immense audience was staggering to behold. And how joyful it was to see the children dancing and singing a long. Again, I know many of you came to both shows for the youngest children too!!

We are so grateful to you for coming to support those shows in such overwhelming numbers. The atmosphere for both was great. And this was helped by the way that everyone was so respectful of others in the audience so that everyone could see, hear and enjoy the shows.

#### PTA Discos

Last night, the PTA led the discos for the children to enjoy. The halls were packed for both events and I think I overheard the PTA members saying that they had sold out by the end which is amazing!!

Thank you to you all again for supporting that even t so generously. As you know, in the current financial crisis, the school is so grateful for the resources that the PTA raise. We also enjoy seeing the children have so much fun.

Thank you to each and every member of the PTA who I know worked so hard to make the event happen.

Thank you also to Bob and the staff who supported the event and enabled it to run so smoothly.

#### Gorsefield

And then also this week, many of our Year 6 children and staff spent a week at the borough's residential center near Stansted, Essex. They were blessed with dry weather every day, and as you will see in the pictures included in this newsletter, had a wonderful time. Highlights included: cycling, walking, archery, baking bread on the fire, star gazing and much more. A truly outdoor and adventurous week, developing strong social bonds that will support them in the year ahead.

It was great to see them all home safe and sound. I am sure they, and the staff, will sleep well tonight!

**Next week—On Line Safety Workshop for Parents**

As shared in a previous newsletter, on **Monday 12 December at 5:30pm**, in TEAMS, the IT team who work with our school, Clever ICT, are providing a workshop designed specifically to support parents in making their home connections safer children.

You can access the workshop here: [Home Broadband and Internet Safety Webinar for Parents](#)

We really hope that you will be able to join us, as we seek together, to try and address the increasingly challenging issue of internet safety for our children.

Aside from that, please see the dates overleaf, and we look forward to welcoming the Years 4, 5 and 6 parents and cares to the shows on Tuesday. Please remember the children will have their Christmas lunch and parties on Wednesday and then we finish for the Christmas holidays on Friday at 2pm.

Have a lovely weekend everyone. Best wishes, Rebecca Abrahams

### Attendance

Our target is 96%	W/B 28/11	W/B 05/12
Mango (Nur)	78%	79%
Apple (Rec M)	76%	88%
Peach (Rec C)	69%	79%
Beech (1G)	82%	83%
Maple (1B)	91%	94%
Ash (2R)	87%	96%
Birch (2W)	85%	89%
Lemon (3S)	86%	85%
Oak (3N)	96%	95%
Aspen (4C)	80%	90%
Spruce (4A)	88%	85%
Cherry (5A)	91%	88%
Palm (5D)	96%	89%
Cypress (6W)	93%	95%
Willow (6L)	94%	94%

### Value of the week

Mango (Nur)	Haneesh
Apple (Rec M)	Denvah
Peach (Rec C)	Eshaan
Beech (1G)	Valerie
Maple (1B)	Davina
Ash (2R)	Ernie
Birch (2W)	Axel
Lemon (3S)	Leanne
Oak (3N)	Emma
Aspen (4C)	Ayan
Spruce (4A)	Arosha
Cherry (5A)	Kainaat
Palm (5D)	Frankie
Cypress (6W)	Jerico
Willow (6L)	Mim



### **Holiday Activities and Food (HAF)**

Tower Hamlets Council has brought together a range of organisations offering free fun activities, clubs and meals this Christmas. Places are offered to children in Reception up to Year 11 (inclusive) who receive free school meals. Please note HAF programme activities will take place between 21st and 31st December (no clubs will be open on 25th and 26th December). If you have child that is entitled to free school meals and would like to find out more please come into the school office and collect the directory.

### **Live Nativity at Mudchute Farm**

On Saturday 10th Dec at 2pm (meet at the 'Asda gate' inside the farm)

Come and join us with donkeys, sheep, Mary and Joseph as we sing carols together around the farm and remember together the birth of Jesus at the first Christmas.

Children are welcome to come dressed as angels or shepherds!

Hosted by Christ Church, St Luke's Church and Mudchute Farm

Contact [fuzz@stlukesmillwall.org](mailto:fuzz@stlukesmillwall.org) for further information, or just come along!

### **FREE Christmas holiday activity programme at Harbinger Primary School**

Newham Sports Club will be running a 4 day programme at Harbinger School during the Christmas holidays. If you would like your child to attend [please complete this interest form](#).

The club will run on Tues 27th to Friday 30th December from 10am-2pm, a hot lunch provided.

### **Has your child missed their Flu Vaccination at school**

The Vaccination team are running catch up clinics in your area for the following age groups:

Flu Vaccinations: Reception - Year 9 Flu Vaccination Clinics If you would like an appointment to attend, please email us at: [appointments@v-uk.co.uk](mailto:appointments@v-uk.co.uk) or call 0203 343 2400 Please click this link for more info [Flu Consents](#)

### **Additional links for your information**

**Musical Mayhem**, teaches children in Year 1 - Year 3 in St Luke's to sing, dance and act, whilst having a lot of fun. If you would like your child to join [Please click this link for details](#)

### **Key dates coming up:**

- Tuesday 13th December: **Year 4-6 Christmas Performance:** morning performance at 9:30am and then a repeat performance in the afternoon at 2:30pm.
- Wednesday 14th December: Christmas lunch day and children's parties in the afternoon.
- Friday 16th December: **The last day of term and school finishes at 2pm.** There is no after school care or clubs on this day.
- Tuesday 3rd January 2023: The staff return to work after the holidays and have two INSET days.
- Thursday 5th January 2023: The children return to school and before and after school care resumes as normal.

# School Nativity



# Year 6 School Journey - Gorsefield



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