

Newsletter

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Attendance

Our target is 96%.

Attendance to date from September 2018.

Please note	W/B	W/B
difference	03/06	10/06
Mango (Nur)	90%	89%
Peach (Rec B)	93%	93%
Apple (Rec N)	95%	95%
Beech (1E)	95%	95%
Maple (1T)	96%	96%
Birch (2R)	96%	96%
Ash (2S)	97%	97%
Oak (3B)	93%	92%
Lemon (3D)	95%	95%
Aspen (4KN)	96%	95%
Spruce (4L)	96%	96%
Palm (5A)	96%	96%
Cherry (5S)	96%	95%
Willow (6G)	96%	96%
Cypress (6S)	93%	93%



Beech Class Mass Monday 9.15am All Welcome

Dear Parents and Carers,

I need to begin this week's newsletter with two apologies:

Apology 1: Key Stage 2 Sports day: Wednesday 10 July 2019

We are sorry that we had to postpone the event from this week. There is no way that we could have gone ahead given the amount of persistent rain this week. Initially, we thought to hold the event in the last week of term but we have now decided to do it on: **Wednesday 10 July at 1:15pm, Millwall Park**. This was pretty much the only date and time that did not clash with other events happening between now and the end of term. I apologise for changing the date and really appreciate your understanding.

Apology 2: Calendar dates for next year: 2019.20

This week we have established:

- Next year, the Spring bank holiday is moving from Monday 4th May to Friday 8th May for the VE day anniversary.
- 2. Additionally, we will more than likely be a Polling Station on Thursday 7th May 2020.

With that in mind I have decided that we will not have an INSET day on Monday 28th October, but instead we will have an INSET day on Thursday 7th May and also be closed on Friday 8th May.

Amended dates accompany this newsletter and will be available on the school website. Please dispose of earlier versions. Hopefully you can see the benefits of the changes that we are making. I am sorry if these date changes cause you any inconvenience.

Summer Concert

On Thursday 20th June at 2.30pm, we are excited to present our Summer Concert to families and friends. You are invited to come along to see performances from the following children, some of the THAMES Music Tutors who prepare our children so well all year round and a guest appearance from Clare, one of our parents who has been working so hard with our Year 2 children and some solos. We ask you kindly please, to arrive to be seated in good time for a prompt 2.30pm start so that everyone can enjoy the children's best performances.

Y2 classes - Drumming and singing

Y3 strings - 3D: Maya, Eloise, Stanley, Himank, Chelsea, Amaury, Julia, Sophie, Xin Lun, Yosuf

3B: Ruby, Ameera, Zakariya, Aryan, Mahinul, Ananya, Lilan, Ayla, Naima, Joseph

Y3 recorders: Abigail, A'niyah, Ava, Chelsea, Eaf, Gabriella, Ronak, Sophie

Y5 Brass & Strings: Aarian R, Aaryan K, Alice, Ariane, Chloe D, Dinagdee, Dua, Jamima, Seyon, Zoe Y6 Strings and Guitars: Harriett, Alanna, Amelie, Austas, Darcy, Henry, Jasmine, Jed, Nahol, Rakardo, Riya, Safwan, Saif and Selena.

Presenters, readers and soloists: George M (2S), Vyom (5A), Abhimanyu, Rayna and Jasmine, Hannah B, Emily (6S) Selena 6G

A update message from the PTA

We'd like to welcome everyone to a meeting on Friday 21st June at 09:15 in the school meeting room (meet in Reception) to showcase the design for the grassed area in the back playground. It'll be a chance to meet with the designer, Myra Heller, see the plans and ask any questions. We're hoping that work will be able to start on this in early July.

- Our next monthly bake sale and raffle is also on Friday 21st June. We'll be selling raffle tickets in the morning and then cakes after school. The raffle prizes this month are 1) a family of 4 ticket to the Tower Bridge Experience, 2) a £25 voucher for Revolution Go Karting, 3) a voucher for 4 free meals at Leon, and 5) a voucher for 4 free burritos at Tortilla.
- Last month we raised £404 which is being used to fund the summer term school trips for the children. Money raised for this month will also help fund the trips. We'd welcome any baked goods to sell on the day or any volunteers to help man the stalls.
- Hopefully you have all received your raffle tickets for the summer fayre, additional tickets are with Reception if you're able to help us sell more
- And lastly, thank you for your support for the sports themed own clothes day we raised £334 which will cover the cost of medals and water for the children!

Green for Grenfell Day

Today marks the 2nd anniversary of the terrible fire, that took so much human life, in North Kensington. During the next few weeks, schools across London are taking a day, to wear green, in memory of the people who lost their lives and all others who were affected by the fire and to show solidarity with the Grenfell Community. We intend to do this on **Friday 21 June**. We hope that you and your children will help us to raise money for the charity to provide help for those still living with the consequences of what happened on that awful day, 2 years ago, by wearing green and giving generously.

Hopefully see you at Early Years and Key Stage 1 Sports days next week on Tuesday and Wednesday respectively. Fingers crossed the weather is kinder next week.

Best wishes, Rebecca Abrahams

Class catch-up

Nursery

This week in Nursery we have been exploring Dinosaurs, the children have been busy counting, ordering in size and grouping dinosaurs for Maths. We have read some funny story's about dinosaurs and learnt lots of dinosaur names. We hope you like the children's special card they have made for Fathers day on Sunday and their lovely poems.

Next week we are continuing with dinosaurs as the children have asked for more fun facts and activities

The children have also had their first opportunity in exploring the Reception space, which they all really enjoyed.

Have a great weekend!!

Reception

This week in Literacy we continued with the story of Dear Zoo and focused on letter writing. We attempted to write our own letters to the Zoo asking for a pet. In Maths we focused on number recognition and ordering numbers to 20. The children are really enjoying observing some caterpillars that we have in our classroom. They have now all formed cocoons and we are waiting to see what happens next. Sports day will take place on Tuesday at 10:00am at school. Children need to wear their P.E. kits on Sports Day with trainers as it will be held outdoors. Hope to see you all there. Have a great weekend.

Year 1

In year 1 we have been practising our phonics in English by doing lots of fun games and activities. In Maths, we have been learning new strategies for addition and subtraction, including 'find the difference'. In Science, we have started to learn about different materials and we are enjoying finding our more about where we live in our Topic lessons. A big well done to Maple class for their fantastic Mass last Monday and we are looking forward to Beech class doing theirs next week!

Year 2

In Year 2 this we've been reading a Japanese folk story called 'Peach Boy'. We've been using our prediction and clarifying skills well and enjoyed our conscience alley activity. Our topic lessons have been super informative with lots of learning about Japan. In maths we were calculating fractions of amounts and using our division skills. It's been another busy week and all the children have worked so hard. Well done everyone! We hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Year 3

Even though our sports activities were cancelled this week, we have been continuing with the theme of athletics in our PE and Maths lessons. We have been using equipment to make accurate measurements of our bean bag throws and comparing the data. In Literacy, we have been using the text to find descriptions of the Yetis in preparation for planning our own adventure stories set in the Himalayas next week. We have also begun a new RE topic based on the question 'Who is Jesus?'.

Year 4

We have been so busy in year 4 this week! We began the week with a fantastic school trip to the Wallace Collection, where we saw some beautiful 18th century French art, and then had the opportunity to do some screen printing with stencils and paints. We then also went to the Rich Mix cinema on Wednesday to see the film that we had created, as part of a project, shown on the big screen! Please note that this term's homework has been given out to pupils, outlining all of the tasks until the end of the academic year. Have a great weekend!

Year 5

The children have done incredibly well in their banding tests great work on resilience and perseverance! We have been having fun with our cinquain poems-ask us what they are! (And how to properly pronounce it too!) In Maths, we are being exposed to using mathematical vocabulary to solve complex problems. In Geography, we are learning about our world and this week we had a lot of fun addressing misconceptions about continents, countries and all things to do with our oceans! Have a lovely weekend hopefully the sun makes an appearance...

Year 6

This week in Year 6 we have been completing our VE Day newspaper reports and also developing our understanding of the four operations including solving algebraic equations. We have continued to practice for our end of year production and although it's been a wet week we were able to get outside for athletics on Tuesday afternoon where the children showed great enthusiasm for the long distance race. We hope you have a great weekend.

Community House News

Coffee Morning on Mondays from 9.00am in the Community House, please come along and join us for a coffee and a chat

Keep Fit: on Thursdays 9.00-10.00 in school. Crèche available on site.

ESOL Life Skills Course: on every Thursday, To develop their English Language Skills for work, further learning and everyday life.

Employability Course: Mondays 9:00-11.30. This course is in preparation to getting back into work. Building skills and confidence.

French and Music News

La phrase de la semaine: Encore! = Again! Adopted into English and used when an audience hope for a performer to keep performing. Pronounced: Oncorr!

Music:

Monday 17th June - 12.50pm recorders

Monday 17th June 1.30-3.30pm and Tuesday 18th June 2-4pm - Brass lessons

Other lessons as normal.

Thursday 20th June - Summer Concert

"Bon courage, encore!" to the children taking their Music Theory exam on Saturday 15th June and "Un grand merci beaucoup!" to the volunteer tutors from the Credit Suisse Music Partnership, Valentine and David, who have prepared them so well.