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### School Values

**Responsible Excellence Share Polite Encourage Communicate Truth**

## Newsletter - 24<sup>th</sup> February 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the Spring 2 term. Only another 5 weeks till the Easter break and so much to fit in. Next week we look forward to 'Book Week', especially dressing up on Thursday!

Bag 2 School bags have been sent home this week - we very much appreciate the support from our families and we do raise a lot of money from this activity. Unfortunately, we are unable to take bags early so please keep hold of them until the morning of the collection on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> March.

Diane Barrick - Headteacher

### Brilliant Club

Before half term, 11 children from year 6 visited Oxford University to attend their graduation from 'The Brilliant Club'. As part of their jam-packed day, the children had a tour of the University and met with students from Oxford to ask them questions about what life at a highly selective university is like, before graduating in style! Despite experiencing some problems with our transport the week before, we had a wonderful day and we would like to take the opportunity to stress how proud we are of all the children who graduated: Amina, Yusuf, Yuvika, Marita, Shelly, Lara, Acacia, Nishath, Mahdi, Victoria and Sharuka. We all hope that you have been inspired and look forward to hearing about your successes in the future.

### e-Safety Workshop

Following a very successful e-Safety workshop at the beginning of February, I have been able to organise another parent/carer workshop in the summer term.

**13<sup>th</sup> June - 9am**

In the meantime, if you have any concerns about your child's use of the internet (and any other technology), please do not hesitate to contact the school for advice and support.

For those of you who are unable to attend, you can use the UK Safer Internet Centre website at [www.saferinternet.org.uk](http://www.saferinternet.org.uk). This site has lots of useful information and resources to support parents/carers in keeping children safe online whilst at home.

### World Book Day

#### Mystery Book Homework

In preparation for book week next week, all children across the school have been given a 'Mystery Book' activity to complete at home to bring back to school on Monday. Please support your children to get involved - details are in their homework books.

#### Dressing Up Day

A reminder to parents/carers that World Book Day is next Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March. This year, like all others, will be encouraging all children (and staff) to dress up as their favourite book character. Some of the supermarkets sell costumes but I know that some of our parents/carers are very creative and come up with their own!

### Pancake Party

Pancake Party is making a welcome return! Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February is Pancake Day - also known as Shrove Tuesday in the Christian calendar. As part of our work with our special charity (Headway East London) we are taking part in their national fundraising event, which raises awareness of the issues around brain injury and gets as many people involved in the fun of pancake making - and eating! Children will take part in some fun pancake-themed activities. There will also be a pancake sale in the dining hall after school at 3.30. For more information, check the posters around the school or speak to Miss Hobbs or Miss O'Neill.

### Easter Egg Competition

Last year we had some amazing entries into our Easter competition with standards being very high.

Use your imagination to decorate an egg (real or plastic)

**Deadline: Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March at 9am**

2 winners from each class will go forward to the grand final on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March

First Prize (Large Easter Egg) and Runner Up (Small Easter Egg) in each phase:

EYFS, Years 1 & 2, Years 3 & 4 & Years 5 & 6

Be creative, wild and wacky!



## Dates for your diary

w/c 27<sup>th</sup> Feb  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Mar  
 15<sup>th</sup> Mar  
 15<sup>th</sup> Mar  
 22<sup>nd</sup> Mar  
 24<sup>th</sup> Mar  
 27<sup>th</sup> Mar  
 29<sup>th</sup> Mar  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Apr  
 19<sup>th</sup> Apr

Book Week  
 World Book Dressing Up Day  
 Bag 2 School Collection  
 Science Day - Dress up as a mad Scientist!  
 Spring Music Concerts - Years 3-6  
 Red Nose Day  
 Parent/Carer Meetings - 3.30-8pm  
 Easter Concert - EYFS (Nursery & Reception)  
 SCHOOL CLOSED - EASTER BREAK  
 Children return to School

## Whole School Attendance - w/e 24<sup>th</sup> February 2017

### EYFS & KS1:

Sunflower - 91.5%	Snowdrop - 97.8% <b>WELL DONE!</b>
Bluebell - 97.2%	Marigold - 93.7%
Daisy - 97.6%	Poppy - 96.6%

### KS2:

Rose - 95.3%	Fern - 98.7%
Willow - 93.1%	Pine - 98.3%
Chestnut - 93.3%	Oak - 100% <b>EXCELLENT!!</b>
Tulip - 100% <b>EXCELLENT!!</b>	Holly - 96.9%

Whole School Attendance this week (w/e 24<sup>th</sup> February 2017) 96.4%  
 Whole School Attendance so far - 6<sup>th</sup> September to 24<sup>th</sup> February 2017 - 95.8%

Well done to Snowdrop, Oak and Tulip for best attendance this week!

Keep working hard to ensure your child attends school every day and on time (8.55am)!

## Achievement Awards

### \*\* Star of the Week - Communicate \*\*

Aarushi Sarkar, Mario Khan, Bilal Islam, Christopher Barnard, Rayna Aschkar-Laird, Diego Coello Laya, Tasneem Mohamed, Kaleigh Watkins, Aiden Haslam, Najdas Balnaitis, Hawa Galayr, Ilyaas Jama, Zarin Ahmed, Safwan Ahmad, Yusuf Islam and Nishath Chowdhury.

### \*\* Reader of the week \*\*

Riolind Hamza, Xavier Pluck, Victoria Mozolewska, Afnan Ahmed, Brannon Carvalho, Isami Saito, Frankie O'Shea, Muusaa Jama, Rayyanah Attar, Mariam Tulunga, Nadia Alom, Abdou Thiam, Mahdi Basaduzzaman and Ruth Luizi.

### \*\* Presentation Award \*\*

Fahmidazaman Choudhury, Marios Tsouchnikas, Sahara Kaniz Sattar, Sara-Maria Paun, Isla Brandao, Umar Mohsin, Benedicta Birago-Sarpong, Rebecca Zekariase, Mariyam Rahman, Camia Hall-Carr, Louis Mwanga, Raihana Bhuiyan, Amara Khan and Yohannes Zekariase.

### \*\* 3 Gold Awards \*\*

Darryl Addae-Kodua, Nevaeh Crouch, Amara Khur-Yearn, Atarah Ngana, Nabeel Chowdhury, Sky Ward, Zanita Osedebamen, Iqra Akhtar, Sumaiya Akther, Shriya Maricharla, Eliza Shujon, Mysha Ahmed, Seon Berhane-Dickenson, Aarush Bhatt, Alexandra Bramcheva, Vickie Chen, Shanjida Choudhury, Nadia Demiter, Hawa Galayr, Zain Hussain, Jaasir Iftakhar, Ainhoa Marquez, Dylan Nieva, Ilyaas Jama, Maya Uysal, Yahya Omar and Taha Mahmud.

### \*\* Pen Licence \*\*

Ainhoa Palacios Marquez.