

Friday 12th January 2018



Welcome Back!

Welcome back to the Spring Term. It was lovely to see the children back after the holidays and raring to go for the new term.

Congratulations Miss French!

Miss French had a baby boy, Rome, on 5th January. Mother and baby are both doing well. I'm sure you will join us in sending her our huge congratulations.



Value of the month: individuality

Our value of the month for this month is individuality. We will be discussing how each one of us is unique and that the things that make us an individual are a cause for celebration rather than division.

Arabic Speaking Parent's Coffee Morning

There will be a coffee morning for our Arabic speaking parents on Wednesday 17th January at 9am. There will be a representative from the library service there as well as an Arabic parenting advisor. Hope to see you there.

Proposed conversation club

Thank you to all the parents who responded to the conversation club. We are currently looking at the best ways to move forward with this. Look out for more news soon.



Children and Money Parent Workshop

We are very excited to be welcoming Harlesden Money Advice who will be hosting a workshop to help parents improve family understanding about money. Topics include developing understanding of the importance of money, looking at what influences our choices around money and the messages we need to give to our children about managing money.

Please come along on Thursday 25th January at 9am to the Junior Canteen, letters were dispatched in your child's book bag on Friday with details and a reply slip. If you are interested please fill this in and return to the school office as we need to know numbers who will be attending. For further information contact Maggie Hingley via the parentcomms email address.



Year 5 Crime Investigators

Year 5 turned into crime scene investigators this week when it looked like a crime had been committed in 5 Earth. Luckily, everyone was safe and it was to get the children engaged in their new English text: The Highwayman by Alfred Noyes.



Year 3 discovery

A crime scene in 5 Earth wasn't the only strange happening at Derwentwater this week. Year 3 discovered that some tiny people had invaded the Global Garden overnight on Monday and had made their homes in the vegetable patches and trees. Could these be the Minpins from Roald Dahl's novel?

Year 5 science museum trip

5 Earth and 5 Neptune went to the Science Museum last week. They saw a show about prime numbers and coding and spent some time in the Wonderlab which is an area of the museum that has lots of practical experiments. The teachers all commented on how well behaved the children were, particularly when travelling on public transport. Well done Year 5, you are a credit to the school.



School Meal debt

Please ensure that you do not have any school meal debt. If you have any debt, your child will not be fed a hot meal. All children from Reception to Year 2 are entitled to Free School Meals. However, some children in Years 3 - 6 may also be entitled to Free School meals. If you think your child may be eligible, please contact the school office and we can advise you how you can apply.

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Dates for your diary

15th January - Last Parent gym session

17th January - Arabic Speaking Parents Coffee Morning

17th January - Karate taster sessions

18th January - Choir Winter Concert 4pm

23rd January - Year 5 Mars Science trip

24th January - 5 Neptune to West Twyford

25th January - Children and money workshop

30th January - Year 6 Sats talk 9am and 5.30pm

2nd February - DSA Year 2 Cake Sale

2nd February - DSA AGM

6th February - Parent Drop In

7th February - Year 2 Fire Brigade visit

8th February - Year 5 Fire Brigade visit

12th February - 16th February - Half term: school closed

19th February - School starts

22nd February - Year 6 to parliament

23rd February - Year 6 to Parliament

2nd March - Year 5 Fair Trade assembly

6th March - Parents' Evening

7th March - Parents' Evening

13th March - Year 2 (Opal and Jet) to Gunnersbury

16th March - Year 6 to Parliament

16th March - DSA Year 6 Cake Sale

20th March - Year 2 (Emerald) to Gunnersbury

20th March - Year 5 Music Workshop

21st March - Year 5 to Unicorn Theatre

23rd March - Year 5 to Unicorn Theatre

29th March - End of term. School closes at 2pm