

Friday 17th November 2017

Governor's update

Thank you to everyone who came to the parents' forum on Thursday evening. There will be a letter coming out in the next few days detailing the improvements that have been made since the Ofsted inspection.



Pines and Needles

Pines and Needles have generously donated a 6ft Christmas tree to us. It will be delivered on the 27th November. They have set up a new

pop-up Christmas tree shop near to school which will be opening from 24th November from 8am to 9pm. If you use the code ACT17, you will get a free gift with your in-store purchase.

Pines and Needles can be found here:

Acton Common South Parade,

London

W4 5LG



Grenfell Tower

Thank you to everyone for your generous contributions to the Grenfell Tower fund. As a community, we raised

£839.30 for the victims of the fire. Thank you again for your generosity.



Key Stage 1 Spelling Bee

Key Stage 1 had a closely fought spelling bee. The Year 1 final was between Yunis, Sylvester and Zakiya. Sylvester was the winner, correctly spelling the word 'our'. The Year 2 final between Tilly, Malachi and Ayaan was so close that it had to go to extra rounds with teachers suggesting extra words. The eventual winner was Ayaan. Well done to Sylvester and Ayaan! There will be another spelling bee in the Spring Term.



Sylvester



Ayaan



Switch Off Fortnight 2017

The Eco Committee is going to be running 'Switch Off Fortnight' from Monday 20th November to Sunday December 3rd. Children will be encouraged to make better energy choices across the school. The class that makes the best energy choices will win golden tickets and there will be stickers and prizes given to children who have really made an effort. Children will be thinking about turning lights off when a room is unoccupied, turning off laptops etc when not used, closing windows when the heating is on and putting a jumper on before turning up the heat.

You can join in at home by switching off lights and mains sockets when not in use, taking shorter showers and even only boiling the right amount of water for a cup of tea rather than the whole kettle!



Christmas for your class

Every class is desperate for outdoor and wet play activities and games. The DSA are running a campaign to buy your child's class a Christmas present. The idea is that you donate something that your child's class could play with, either new or used. Suggestions include Lego, colouring books, felt pens, comics, soft toys/puppets, board games, dressing up costumes, footballs, hula hoops or skipping ropes. Please wrap your donation and label it with your child's class and year group. You can leave donations in the box that will be in the main foyer. There will be a letter giving more information about this in your child's book bag this week. Thank you in advance for your generosity.



5 Mars Journalists

5 Mars have been working with Marilyn Rust for the last few weeks

learning to be journalists. They have produced a news report that investigates life in a Victorian classroom and compares it to life in classes today; they all preferred being in school today. The video is on our Facebook and Twitter (@Dwaterw3) pages. The children worked very hard and are very proud of the finished product. Thank you to Marilyn for giving up her time to help the children. She will also be working with the other Year 5 classes later in the year.

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Dates for your diary

20th November - Prospective
(2018/2019) Reception Open Day

9.30am and 2pm

24th November - Year 5 DSA Bake Sale

30th November - flu vaccine Reception - Year
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30th November - Tempest photography in

30th November - 2018/2019 Reception Open
Evening 6pm

1st December - DSA community coffee morning

5th December - Parent Drop In 9am Junior
Canteen

8th December - DSA Christmas Fair

11th December - Whole School assembly at St
Mary's

12th December - Somali Parent's Coffee
Morning

12th December - ½ Reception Christmas Play
2pm

13th December - ½ Reception Christmas Play
2pm

14th December - Year 2 Christmas Play 9.30am

15th December - Year 1 Christmas Play 9.30am

15th December - Nursery Christmas party

18th December - Year 3 Christmas Play 9.30am

18th December - Year 5 Carol concert 2.15pm

19th December - Year 4 Christmas Play 9.30am

19th December - Year 6 Carol concert 2.15pm

20th December - Last Day of term. School
closes at 2pm