

SCHOOL NEWS AND INFORMATION

Monday 23rd March 2018

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ROYAL ALBERT HALL CONCERT

26TH MARCH 2018

Good luck to all of our school choir for their performance at the Royal Albert Hall on Monday evening.

Tickets are still available for those families who want to join us!

NO MORE BIRTHDAY CAKES

From the beginning of the summer term we will no longer be handing out cakes or sweet treats to celebrate birthdays.

This is part of our application to become a healthy school and a similar decision has been reached by many schools. We have also had a high number of complaints from parents about the quantity of cakes high in sugar and fat that have been handed out.

We will also be making some changes to the school lunch menu in line with our new food policy, which will be published on our school website next term.

Parents are welcome to send in stickers, small prizes or fruit to be handed out at the end of the school day if they wish.

Parents in our early years have already started to do this with very positive results. Thank you for your support in helping us in our progress to gaining a healthy schools award.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

A reminder that all children are expected to wear plain black shoes to school as part of school uniform (apart from PE days).

If you have any questions about the school uniform please speak to the school office.

ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

Attendance for this week:

Nursery	84.3%
Reception	85.2%
Year 1	98.0%
Year 2	95.0%
Year 3	98.8%
Year 4	100%
Year 5	96.8%
Year 6	97.9%

Well done to Year 4 for achieving 100% attendance this week! This is the first time this term that one of our classes has achieved 100%.

SPONSORED EVENTS FOR LENT FUNDRAISING

So far this term, we have raised over £200 for the Diocese of London Lent appeal for the homeless. The charity was chosen by our school council.

On Wednesday 28th March, our school council has decided to hold a sponsored continuous standing long jump for Year 1 to Year 6. We will be aiming to jump continuously for over two hours and involve all the children at our main school site. We will have a donation bucket available at the end and the beginning of the school day for any sponsorship money you would like to donate.

On our last day of term, Thursday 29th March, our school council has decided to hold a 'Crazy Hat' or 'Crazy Hair' day (*instead of our non-uniform day to raise further funds*). We are asking for children to come in a suitable hat or with a different hairstyle and donate £1 towards our Lent fundraising.

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Thank you for supporting the Diocese of London Lent appeal for the homeless.

END OF TERM EASTER SERVICE

On Wednesday 28th March, we will be attending our end of term service at St John's Church.

We have a special treat this year as members of St John's Choir and orchestra will be performing extracts from Jesus Christ Superstar for the children within the service.

Our service starts at 2pm and all our families are welcome to join us.

If you would like to collect your children from St John's at the end of the service at 2:50pm, you are welcome to do so. Please speak to your child's class teacher at the end of the service before taking your child home.

All remaining children will be taken back to school for the normal time for the end of the day.

YEAR 5 TALENTED MATHEMATICIANS

Well done to our talented Year 5 mathematicians who took part in a London wide maths competition at the Guildhall in the city this week.

The school was represented by Constantinos, Yara, Sabrina and Sophia. All four of them were outstanding and handled some very tricky maths problems.

We are delighted to share that children from our school finished in the top ten out of over 100 teams taking part. This was an amazing achievement. Our thanks to Mr O'Donoghue for organising this event.

DIARY DATES FOR THE SUMMER TERM

First Half term

Monday 16th April - 1st day back to school, NOT AN INSET DAY

Tuesday 17th April – Reception to Year 6 start of term worship at St James's Sussex Gardens 2pm, all welcome to join us!

Thursday 3rd May – EYFS SITE closed for the local elections. *No school for Nursery children; Reception children at the main school site.*

Friday 4th May – Year 2 to Year 6 Mixed Sports morning at Paddington Recreation Ground

Monday 14th May – Friday 18th May – KS2 SATs week

Thursday 17th May – PFA QUIZ at the Lancaster Hall Hotel

Monday 21st May – Reception to Year 6 Pentecost Service at St John's Hyde Park 2pm, all welcome to join us!

Friday 25th May – Nursery to Year 6 English Folk Dance performance from 1:30pm at the main school site

Friday 25th May – Last day of the half term, school closes at the usual time of 3:30pm

Monday 28th May to Friday 1st June – HALF TERM HOLIDAY

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Second half term

Monday 4th June – INSET DAY, School closed to children

Tuesday 5th June – First day of the half term for children

Friday 8th June – Year 2 to Year 6 Mixed Sports afternoon at Paddington Recreation ground

Thursday 14th June – PFA pub evening at the Mitre

Monday 25th June – Friday 29th June
SPORTS AND FITNESS WEEK

Friday 29th June – Reception to Year 6 Sports Day at Paddington Recreation Ground (*Parents to drop and collect from Paddington Recreation Ground*)

Friday 6th July – PFA Summer Fair

Thursday 10th July – Parents' evening 'drop in'

Thursday 12th July – Year 6 Evening performance for parents and families

Tuesday 17th July – End of year celebration and prize giving at the Lancaster Hall Hotel

Wednesday 18th July – End of year class parties

Thursday 19th July – Year 6 Leavers' service at St James's Sussex Gardens (*Reception to Year 6 attending*)

Friday 20th July – Last day of the school year. School closes to children at 1:30pm.