

SCHOOL NEWS AND INFORMATION

Friday 27th April 2018

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Mini Tennis Tournament

Well done to all our Year Three and Four tennis players who took part in a Westminster schools tournament on Tuesday this week. Our team managed to finish fourth and we were awarded a certificate for showing the highest level of determination from all the teams.

Year 3 trip to Natural History Museum

Our Year Three children visited the Natural History Museum on Wednesday 25th April to start their summer term topic on volcanoes and earthquakes. The children thoroughly enjoyed their visit and picked up lots of facts to help with their topic.

Year 5 trip to Adventure Playground- Holland Park

Our Year 5 children visited the adventure playground in Holland Park this week to find out about forces in action. This is the opening trip for their Science-based topic called Scream Machine. The children will be gathering ideas to help them design their own theme parks this term.

Year 6 visit to Centre of the Cell

To start their topic ID, the Year 6 students went to visit The Cell at St. Mary's University. The children reflected on their learning about Charles Darwin and evolution and began investigating their new topic by looking at genes and cells with scientists and science educators.

Medicine in school

A reminder that if your child needs to take any medicine in school (including asthma pumps) you must complete a form. The school is not allowed to administer medicine or keep medicine on the premises unless there is a signed agreement between the parents and the school. Please speak to the school office who will be happy to assist you.

EYFS SITE CLOSED ON THURSDAY 3rd MAY

A reminder that our EYFS site at St James's Sussex Gardens will be closed on Thursday 3rd May as it is being used as a polling station for the local elections. This means that our Reception children will start and finish their day at the main school site on Craven Terrace. Unfortunately, it means that there will be no school for our Nursery class on Thursday. Our apologies for any inconvenience caused.

KS2 Sports Activities at Paddington Recreation Ground

To help prepare our older children for Sports Day this year, we will be spending two half-day sessions at Paddington Recreation Ground. This will give our children the opportunity to practise on the track as well as take part in other sporting activities. Our visits will take place on Friday 4th May and Friday 8th June.

If any parents are able to support us by travelling with us to and from the recreation ground, please speak to your child's class teacher

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ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

Attendance for the week starting 16th April

Nursery	82.5%
Reception	87.8%
Year 1	95.1%
Year 2	96.5%
Year 3	95%
Year 4	93%
Year 5	97.7%
Year 6	94.7%

Well done to Year 5 for the highest attendance this week.

BUILDING WORKS AT ST JAMES'S SUSSEX GARDENS

As many parents will have noticed, scaffolding has gone up around St James's Church as repair work to the roof of the church takes place between now and September.

The majority of the work will take place away from our EYFS site during school term time and there will be no contractors present in the outside or inside areas allocated to our EYFS classes.

We will update parents in future newsletters as work progresses on essential repairs to our beautiful old church.

Nursery and Reception parents will also have noticed that work to improve the security systems and gates at our EYFS site was completed over the Easter holidays. We now have new gates and a greatly improved door entry and security system at our EYFS site.

DIARY DATES

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 KS2 Paddington Recreation Ground

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

Thursday 17th May

PFA QUIZ at the Lancaster Hall Hotel
Tickets are now on sale from the school office – please come along and support this fantastic fundraising event!

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