

1st November 2019

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the second half of the Autumn term, always a very busy time in school and a time where we hope to see our parents in school quite a bit!

We have a number of workshops happening to empower our parents to help their children learn. There are reading evenings for Early Years and Years 5&6 as well as maths sessions for Reception and various craft opportunities. There are also parent/teacher meetings soon (see below) and a lot of Christmas activities leading up to our meal for local homeless people on the 20th December.

Next week from Wednesday afternoon I will be away on the annual Newham Head teachers Education Conference but no worries, Miss Norcross will be in charge and I am back on Monday the 11th.

Parents' Evening

On Tuesday and Wednesday, 19th and 20th November, there are parent/teacher meetings from 3.30-6pm in the main hall. *This will mean there are no clubs on those days and you will have to arrange for your children to be picked up at 3.15pm on both days.* For the first time we are trying to register for appointments using an online system – there will be more information about this next week.

Walter Tull Assembly

Friday saw Jimmy, our West Ham link officer, lead an assembly around the inspirational story of Walter Tull – one of the first professional black footballers in this country and a decorated First World War officer. He died in March 1918 only 6 months before the end of the war. On that note we are holding our annual Remembrance Assembly at 10.30 on Monday the 11th November which will include a two minutes silence at 11am – all parents are invited.





Year 2 visit to St. Luke's War memorial

Year 2 visited St. Luke's war memorial this week to begin to understand the effects of war on our community over the last 100 years. They will return on 11th November, this time accompanied by the Y6s, to lay commemorative poppy wreaths.

Congratulations

A big shout out goest to Miss Mehmood our Reading Recovery teacher, who has just passed her Masters in Educational Psychology – with a merit!

Young Shakespeare Company

On Tuesday the Year 5s and 6s worked with the Young Shakespeare Company on the story of Romeo and Juliet and as you can see by the photo they became really immersed in the story – pleading for love and life!

Safeguarding Notice

We are an online safeguarding team called 'THE HIVE'. We monitor very dangerous apps called 'FACECAST' & 'LINELIVE' These Apps are live



streaming and are being used by predators to groom, entice and sexually exploit children on live camera. Predators will try and entice children with virtual gifts (hearts and coins, etc).and get them to do private things where a code is used. More and more children are using these apps and going live from their bedrooms and even their schools! Please would you spread awareness to other parents so that they can talk to their children and check devices are safe and locked towards the public.

And on that note, have a safe and peaceful weekend - and come on England rugby!!!

Matt Hipperson

Head Teacher

Autumn Term Dates 2019

November

4th EYFS Teaching of Reading evening for parents 5pm

5th EYFS Moving to Reception 2020 meeting for YN parents 9am -

7th Y5 Rivers & Lakes day Hertfordshire

W/O the 11th Nov.Y6 Mock SATs

11th Remembrance Assembly 10.30 in main hall – parents welcome

11th Y5 trip to Houses of Parliament

11th SEND coffee morning 8.45 am parents welcome

14th AM Open Morning in Reception class for any prospective starters Sept. 2020

15th Pyjama Big Read for Children in Need Pudsey Bear

19th & 20th Parent meetings 3.30 -6pm

20th Y3 class assembly 29th KS2 debate PM in hall parents welcome

26th EYFS early maths morning 9-10 am in main hall – parents welcome

27th Y1 class assembly 29th

27th Reciprocal Reading for Y5/6 parents 5pm in hall

28th YR theatre to visit - The Gruffalo Stratford Circus

29th Y1 theatre to visit – The Gruffalo Stratford Circus

29th KS2 debate PM in hall parents welcome

December

6th Nursery Christmas craft stay and play 29th

9th Carol Singing at Witrose in Canary Wharf raising money for the homeless

11th EYFS Christmas production 9.30am

12th School Closed for General Election

13th Christmas Jumper day

13th Jack and the Beanstalk Panto for whole school

16th Carol Singing 55 Ruscoe Rd

17th Christmas dinner for children

18th KS1 Christmas production

19th Christingle service 9am parents welcome

19th PM Children's Christmas parties

20th St. Luke's closing date for applications to start YR Sept. 2020

20th School closes @ 1pm for Christmas holidays- Dinner for the Homeless @ 2pm - school re-opens for children Tues 7th January