



## St Mary's Church of England School

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Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2017

Dear Parents,

The Christmas Fair was, once again, a terrific success and weren't we blessed with the weather; bright and crisp, just right for our little winter wonderland?

I know that FoSM is working on numbers and will provide us with the total raised very soon. Thanks to all who helped make it such a success, whether you donated, worked a stall, cleared up, bought, you name it, we are very grateful for your contribution.

### Curriculum:

In September, staff worked together to update our curriculum, making decisions about what to keep and what to replace. Our curriculum maps are available on the website for you to see (Home page, Curriculum, "Curriculum maps"). You'll note that many of the subjects are now led by questions which, during the term, the children work towards answering. At the end of each term there are opportunities for the pupils to decide what else they wish to find out about the theme; in this way we encourage them to make choices and develop opinions. We hope you enjoy looking at how our curriculum has developed.

### Attendance:

Please remember that school continues until Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December and the children have lessons up until the end, with some Christmas treats on the final day. It is, therefore, important that they are in school. Below is the attendance table which shows figures for the term from 4<sup>th</sup> September to Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December. Thank you to those who have addressed our concerns about attendance/punctuality for their child over the year; your additional effort is making a difference to learning.

Group	Authorised	Unauthorised	Total attendances	Lates
RB	3.78%	0.36%	95.86%	16
RD	2.44%	0.14%	97.42%	22
RR	3.02%	0.20%	96.78%	23
1K	3.76%	0.23%	96.04%	7
1N	1.23%	0.05%	98.72%	9
1P	2.06%	0.44%	97.50%	13
2 Junipers	1.77%	0.10%	98.14%	19
2 Oaks	1.62%	0.83%	97.55%	8
2 Willows	1.74%	0.39%	97.87%	27
3 Elms	1.70%	0.45%	97.85%	33
3 Maples	2.40%	0.15%	97.45%	20
3 Poplars	2.35%	0.10%	97.55%	24



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Group	Authorised	Unauthorised	Total attendances	Lates
3 Sycamores	1.07	0.21%	98.72%	24
4S	2.52%	0.07	97.40%	5
4T	1.72%	0.34%	97.94%	14
4W	1.55%	0.17%	98.28%	19
5M	2.87%	0.07%	97.06%	9
5N	1.23%	0.10%	98.68%	9
5T	2.82%	0.64%	96.54%	12
6B	2.62%	0.07%	97.30%	5
6PG	3.21%	0.02%	96.76%	9
6S	2.62%	0.69%	96.69%	50
<b>Total</b>	<b>2.27%</b>	<b>0.26%</b>	<b>97.47%</b>	<b>377</b>

### Christmas CDs

If you have paid for a Christmas CD via Tucasi these will be sent home with your child on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December. Please note that you can log into Tucasi to pay for a CD up until the end of the day on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December. The cost is £8 for one or £15 for two

### Christmas jumper day: Save the Children

We have seen a wonderful array of Christmas jumpers in school today and raised a magnificent **£536.64**. Thank you for all your support for such a worthy cause.

### Class points competition

Congratulations to 6S who have won the class points competition this week, ending on 92/100. The class points are awarded and/or deducted by house captains, class councillors and any adults. Good luck for next week! *Charlie Thomas Year 5T class teacher*

### School meals:

Amounts to pay at the **beginning** of the term/half term

January 4th to February 9th 2018 ..... £59.40

February 20th to 29th March 2018..... £61.60

Whole Term .....£121.00

Tucasi school meals will be updated at the beginning of the New Term.



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**Celebration children:** *Please note there were no celebration assemblies at the middle or junior sites this week due to Nativity performances and the Carol service rehearsal for the junior children*

Reception Blackbirds: *Lili A-A*  
Reception Doves: *Marius I*  
Reception Robins: *Daya D*  
Year 1 Nightingales: *Joshua E*  
Year 1 Puffins: *Lily-Sue L*  
Year 1 Kingfishers: *Matthie L*

### Stars of the week:

#### **Infant Site Star of the Week: Leo W, Reception Blackbirds**

**L** is for the laughter that he brings to the class.  
**E** is for the exciting learning he does at home with his family.  
**O** is for obstacles that he tackles with enthusiasm.

**W** is for the writing that he likes to complete.  
**R** is for the racing games he likes to do with his friends.  
**I** is for all the interesting models that he creates.  
**G** is for all his great ideas.  
**H** is for the happiness that he brings to Blackbirds class.  
**T** is for being fantastic at keeping the classroom tidy.  
**Information from the borough for parents**

### Parenting groups spring term 2018

Parenting groups are available for all parents/carers living in the boroughs of Richmond and Kingston. Visit the AfC info website for more information:  
<https://www.afcinfo.org.uk/pages/community-information/information-and-advice/parenting-support/achieving-for-children-parenting-programme>

### Swim School – new pupil bookings now open

All new pupil lessons at Teddington Pools & Fitness Centre are now open to book. These range from 6 months up to adults, and all courses start in January. Spaces are limited so please call us on 020 3772 2999 (option 2) for more information or pop in to the centre to book.  
[www.richmond.gov.uk/services/sports/teddington\\_pools\\_fitness\\_centre/feel\\_good\\_swim\\_school](http://www.richmond.gov.uk/services/sports/teddington_pools_fitness_centre/feel_good_swim_school)



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### Information from other organisations

#### The Liquid Nitrogen Show

Please see this [flyer](#) for you to circulate to your families and wider school communities about The Liquid Nitrogen Show at NPL.

#### Diary dates

Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December, junior carol service, St Mary's Church, 6.30 – 7.30pm

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December, Last day of term, School closes ONE hour earlier (please take everything home with you!)

#### Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2018, First day of the spring term

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January, Year 3 Bible service, St Mary's Church 10am

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2018, Year 6 visiting the Poppy Factory (one class per day to be confirmed)

w/c 15<sup>th</sup> January, School run clubs start

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January, Reception trip to Orleans Gallery (one class tbc)

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> January, Reception trip to Orleans Gallery (one class tbc)

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> January, 5M class assembly (link class Year 3 Sycamores)

Yours sincerely,

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