



Through our Christian values of love, peace and hope we work together and play together to be the best we can be

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Dear Parents/Carers

This week I have been impressed with how our reception children have left their parents at the door and have, on the whole, walked to class with confidence.

We have had confirmation that the school photographer will be in school on Thursday 7 November 2019. The photographer will take individual photographs and photographs of siblings. This will not include siblings who do not attend our school.

Last Friday we introduced new trophies to celebrate our class awards. The children responded very positively to them and I am excited to see which classes win each award this week.

The children have carried out the democratic process of electing school councillors and classes from year 2 to year 6 have two representatives each. One of their first tasks will be to bring back ideas from their peers on how to raise funds in order to enter the new Christmas Tree Festival at St Mary's Church in December.

Yesterday was World Mental Health Day and we can all impact positively on our children's well being by being available, attuned and responsive. Maybe tonight put away the mobile phones, turn off the t v, switch off the games console and talk, play a board game and interact with each other—if of course you don't already have that planned!

Have a wonderful weekend.
God bless

Mrs Jo Booker
Head Teacher

Our British Value
for the following week will be;

Democracy
Mutual respect and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs and for those without faith

Thought for the week

Black History

"Every great dream begins with a dreamer. Always remember, you have within you the strength, the patience and the passion to reach for the stars to change the world"

Harriot Tubman

Kind and Thoughtful

One of our anti-bullying strategies

The following children will receive the 'Kind and Thoughtful' certificate and care of a cuddly dog. The award will be presented on **Friday 18 October 2019**. The lucky children will also have fruit and milk with Mrs Booker, in her office, and swing on her chair.

Early Years/KS1: Taniyah - 1H

Key Stage 2: Kaelon - 4M

Celebration Assembly

The following children will receive certificates for good work and behaviour in Celebration Assembly on **Friday 18 October 2019**. All Parents/Carers are welcome to attend. If Parents/Carers do attend could I please ask them to stay until the assembly finishes. This demonstrates to all the children that the entire assembly is valued by Parents/ Carers. Thank you for your support.

Early Years

Nursery - Sakina, RJ - Tiarna, **RWS** - Reneya

Key Stage 1

1H - Adia, **1S** - Aiza, **2F** - Kleo, **2S** - Karan

Key Stage 2

3A - Olivia, **3W** - Jaylen C, **4B** - Taeaz, **4M** - Elisha, **5H** - Adoree, **5SH** - Quiniah & Lereisha, **6S** - Preetika, **6W** - Lauren

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Dates for your diary

N, R, Y1 & Y2	Tuesday 22 October 2019	School Hall
	2:30 - 6pm	
Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6	Tuesday 15 October 2019	School Hall
	2:30 - 6pm	
Y6 Black History Assembly	Thursday 17 October 2019	School Hall
	9:10am	
5H Diwali Assembly	Thursday 24 October 2019	School Hall
	9:10am	
Reception Nativity	Thursday 12 December 2019	School Hall
	2:00pm	

Term dates

Half term	Children break up on Friday 25 October 2019 and return to school on Monday 4 November 2019
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We have had an excellent, sporty start to the term. Thank you for your patience while we have moved timetables around to ensure every child receives two hours of high quality Physical Education a week.

EYFS and KS1 have been working hard to improve their fundamental movement skills through gymnastics and small games. Indoors, KS2 have been investigating balancing, stretching and using the apparatus. Outdoors, KS2 have been improving their skills to take part in ball games such as netball and basketball. We can already see excellent progress in the skills that the children are able to demonstrate!

The children all look very smart in their PE kits and are getting ready to compete in a range of competitions. Over the next term, children from year 5 and 6 will be taking part in a multi-skills festival and a basketball tournament. We are looking forward to working with other schools to improve our skills. Below are our School Games Values that are at the heart of all of the School Games competitions that we attend.



Finally, our Sports Crew will be selected before half term, so keep an eye on the newsletter for the announcement!



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