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ATTENDANCE WEEK ENDING 09/11/2018



CLASS	ATTENDANCE
Finsbury Park	****100.0%****
Highbury & Islington	91.3%
Oxford Circus	98.0%
Victoria	96.6%
Covent Garden	95.8%
Piccadilly Circus	97.2%
Seven Sisters	96.7%
Crouch Hill	91.9%
Liverpool Street	95.4%
Stratford	96.8%
Holloway Road	99.0%
Caledonian Road	88.9%
Hoxton	99.0%
Shoreditch	95.7%



CHILDREN IN NEED



We are delighted to tell you that we raised £190 for Children in Need. Thank you for your kind donations.

ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL

If your child is ill and can't come to school, it is very important that you telephone the school to report the absence.

LATENESS TO SCHOOL

Please ensure that your child comes to school on time - lateness = missing education.

****CLASS NEWS****

Nursery

This week the children have been trying very hard to think about respecting each other and the environment. We have thought about things that we can do to show kindness to our friends and others. The teachers have noticed that some children are now choosing to go and help a friend (e.g. putting on coats/aprons). There has been lots of writing and drawing going on and everyone now knows that in order to stop wasting plastic felt tip pens, we must put their lids on!

Reception

This week we really enjoyed reading Owl Babies. The children thought about how the characters were feeling. We have begun to learn about different nocturnal animals, including owls, foxes and badgers. The children have been practising understanding and using positional language by hiding things in different places and giving instructions to other children i.e. "look under the chair" and "look behind the book". Children have been thinking lots about respecting others. Well done to those parents and carers who wore odd socks on Monday! It is lovely that some children are bringing in reusable water bottles now and are not throwing away plastic bottles needlessly. Enjoy your weekend!

Year 1

This week the Year 1 children have started to learn about animals as part of our Science unit. We started to look at mammals and explored the seven characteristics that all mammals have. We also had a lot of fun today, coming to school in our pyjamas and enjoying story time in the afternoon.

Year 2

This week the children have been learning about Diwali and have designed their own Diwali decorations. They have also been learning how to work out fractions of whole numbers. Please keep reading with your child daily, as it makes a difference!

Year 3

Year 3 have been starting to revise some questions for our Assessment Week, which is next week. We have been doing short bursts of Maths throughout the day to remind our brains how to solve Maths problems. Any extra work you can do on addition and subtraction over the weekend would be excellent preparation. On Wednesday, it is Year 3 Class Assembly on Photography – we hope to see you all there. Parents can come up to the hall at 9.10 a.m.

Year 4

This week we had a great time learning more about the Romans and the history of London at the Museum of London. We continued our learning by discussing the battles between the Romans and the Celts, led by Boudicca. In Maths, we have been focussing on subtraction and problem solving, and in Literacy we have been writing narrative poems. Next week is Assessment Week for Literacy and Maths, so please make sure that your children arrive on time and are well rested and also that they practise their times tables over the weekend.

Year 5

Year 5 have been reviewing our multiplication and division operations in Maths this week and continuing with our text "How to Train your Dragon". On Wednesday Stratford class put on a wonderful Class Assembly for parents based on Beowulf and Liverpool Street have been polishing their performance of Macbeth!

Year 6

Year 6 have been working really hard on their retelling of Macbeth. They have been improving and editing their work and also focussing on using ambitious vocabulary. They have also started a great poetry project and have enjoyed composing their own poems. In Maths, they have been focussing on different measures and will be exploring shape next year.



CLASS/YEAR GROUP ASSEMBLIES 9.10 AM AUTUMN TERM 2018



DATE	CLASS/YEAR GROUP
Wednesday 21 st November	Year 3
Wednesday 28 th November	Year 1
Wednesday 5 th December	Liverpool Street
Wednesday 12 th December	Year 6 WW2 Assembly



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

DECEMBER 2018

Day	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31				

Friday 7th December 3.30 p.m.	Year 6 School Journey Meeting for parents
Monday 10th December 4-6 p.m.	Parents' Evening
Thursday 13th December 4-6 p.m.	Parents' Evening
Monday 17th December 2.45 p.m.	EYFS Christmas Performance for parents
Tuesday 18th December 2.45 p.m.	KS1 Christmas Performance for parents
Wednesday 19th December 2.45 p.m.	Lower KS2 Christmas Performance for parents
Thursday 20th December 2.45 p.m.	Upper KS2 Christmas Performance for parents
Friday 21st December	**Non Uniform Day** School finishes at 2.00 p.m. for the Christmas Holidays

OUR ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION PROJECT

Great News - The Friends of Pooles Park, our school charity, has received a grant from Groundwork's - Our Space Award, to uplift the front entrance garden at our school and create 'The Sensory and Medicinal Community Garden'. We aim to engage as many people as possible from our school, local and wider communities in the much needed transformation of this garden. We have already had a corporate volunteer team in this November to make a start on the garden. The team of 16 people from Macquarie, organised by The Big Alliance - a charitable organisation who partner corporate companies with community projects - painted our entrance shelter and tended to the paving and raised beds in the garden.

Both Year 5 classes also really enjoyed a Decorative Fencing Design Workshop on Monday. We hope they have told you all about it. We will be engaging many more classes in the design, wildflower mural painting and the planting of this garden. Family Workshops and Saturday Volunteer Days will also be held this term, so that there are many opportunities for you to get involved and help us complete this beautiful garden.

We have also had two private donations which will contribute towards purchasing raised beds, plants and seeds for the garden. One from the family of a past Headteacher who wished to donate to the garden in her will, and one from a parent of a wonderful teenager who has volunteered her time to help with the Environmental Project as part of her Duke of Edinburgh Award.

