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ATTENDANCE WEEK ENDING 22/03/2019



CLASS	ATTENDANCE
Finsbury Park	98.6%
Highbury & Islington	88.5%
Oxford Circus	96.8%
Victoria	97.0%
Covent Garden	89.5%
Piccadilly Circus	92.2%
Seven Sisters	96.3%
Crouch Hill	93.7%
Liverpool Street	91.2%
Stratford	94.9%
Holloway Road	90.5%
Caledonian Road	98.0%
Hoxton	93.3%
Shoreditch	99.0%

****NEXT WEEK'S ACTIVITIES****

Children will be celebrating Onesie Wednesday next week as part of National Autism Awareness Week. Children can come to school wearing a Onesie (or pyjamas/dressing gowns) and pay £1. Half of this money will go to school funds to spend on Autism resources and half will go to the Disaster Emergency Committee Appeal for aid in Southern Africa where people are struggling for survival after Cyclone Idai.

Friday 5th April will be a Non-Uniform Day where children bring in £1 and wear clothes of their choice! Half of this money will go to school funds for our Cultural Curriculum and half will again go to the DEC Appeal for Cyclone Idai. **Please remember school closes at 2pm on Friday for the Easter Holidays and re-opens on Tuesday 23rd April. Have a lovely break!**

****CLASS NEWS****

Nursery

This week we have continued to try new foods and to talk about healthy eating. Our focus book 'Handa's Surprise' features some exotic fruit - which we tasted. The children are becoming more confident about trying different foods. On Monday, we had a lovely time planting potatoes in the Forest Garden and we'll take care of them until they're big enough for us to eat. Please remember to bring a spare set of clothes for your child - now it's warmer outside, there will be a lot more outdoor, messy, adventurous learning happening!

Reception

This week we have read The Tiger Who Came to Tea. We have been making repeating patterns with different animal prints. We have been writing menus and thinking about what we need to set up a cafe. We thought about what the tiger and Sophie might be saying in different parts of the story, and wrote it in speech bubbles. We are very fortunate to be welcoming a student teacher, Miss Dickinson, to our class, please come and meet her if you haven't already!

Year 1

Year 1 had a great trip to the V&A Museum of Childhood 'A Pirate's Life for Me' exhibition. They especially enjoyed getting to hunt for different toys in the museum. Thank you to all the parent volunteers who supported the trip! This week we have been learning how to measure length and height - using rulers and our time monitors have helped us to continue to practise telling the time. We are looking forward to talking to you all about your child's progress at Parents' Evening next week.

Year 2

We have been getting ready for our end of term assessments by learning about sentence types and different types of punctuation. We have revisited adding, by partitioning tens and ones. In P.E., we had our first game of football after practising our ball skills this half term.

Year 3

Well done for an excellent assembly retelling the story of Rama and Sita. We really enjoyed finding out about a story from another religion and how it's moral is universal- good will overcome evil. We have finished our mystery stories in Literacy, trying to include suspense and clues to keep our readers hooked! We are looking forward to talking to all the parents/carers at Parents' Evening next week.

Year 4

Year 4 had a fantastic time at the Globe Theatre where they had a tour of the theatre before participating in a workshop about Romeo and Juliet. To complement this, we have written a diary entry in Literacy from the perspective of Friar Lawrence in Romeo and Juliet. In Maths, we have continued our work on decimals and fractions and in Science we have continued our work on Sound.

Year 5

We have had a good week learning about decimal and fraction conversion. Please remember that both Parents' Evening and Bikeability training are happening next week, along with Stratford class Greek-themed Assembly. We look forward to seeing you all!

Year 6

This week, Year 6 have been undertaking their Mock SATs. Everyone has worked incredibly hard and shown lots of determination and resilience! We are going to be thinking about the areas we need to work on to be ready for the real thing during the **week beginning Monday 13th May.**



CLASS/YEAR GROUP ASSEMBLIES 9.10 AM AND EVENTS SPRING/SUMMER TERM 2019



DATE	CLASS/YEAR GROUP
Monday 1 st April 	50 Gold Awards Trip to AMSI 1.00-3.00 p.m.
Monday 1 st April	***Parents' Evening 4.00-6.00 p.m.***
Wednesday 3 rd April	Year 5 Rainforest Assembly
Thursday 4 th April	***Parents' Evening 4.00-6.00 p.m.***
Friday 5th April 	Break up for the Easter Holidays. School re-opens on Tuesday 23rd April.
Wednesday 8 th May	Stratford Class Assembly
Wednesday 15 th May	Year 3 Assembly
Wednesday 22 nd May	Year 1 Assembly
Friday 7 th June 	Photographer in school to take class photos.
Wednesday 12 th June	Crouch Hill Assembly
Wednesday 26 th June	Seven Sisters Class Assembly
Wednesday 3 rd July	Liverpool Street Class Assembly

ADVICE ON TERM TIME HOLIDAYS

Is there any time I CAN take my child out of school in term time? The head teachers at state schools in England can only give permission for term-time absences in "exceptional circumstances". The Department for Education says you're "unlikely" to get permission simply for a family holiday.

It's the LEA that can fine parents £60 for taking their child on holiday without permission. The fine's per child, per absence (and in theory each parent can be fined, though it varies).

What if I don't pay the fine? The £60 fine jumps to £120 if you fail to pay within 21 days of the fine being issued. If you don't pay within 28 days you can be taken to magistrates' court under the Education Act 1996. If found guilty you could end up with a criminal record and face a fine of up to £2,500, court costs or even a jail sentence of up to three months.

Be aware though that these aren't just rules, this is law. The fine is a penalty notice issued as an alternative to prosecution – in theory, the LEA could skip the fine and prosecute parents straightaway, which could mean much higher financial penalties and a criminal record.

Please ensure your child starts back to school on Tuesday, April 23rd after Easter ready to have fun learning!

****Traffic Light Attendance Percentages****

Red: Below 90% = serious impact on education and reduces life chances.

Amber: 90-95% = less chance of success

Green: 96% and above – best chance of success.

