

# Newsletter



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We work together, we play together, we laugh together, we pray together.

## Forthcoming dates

**8<sup>th</sup> Oct:** National Poetry Day

**26<sup>th</sup> Oct:** Half term week

**2<sup>nd</sup> Nov:** back to school (no INSET day)

**11<sup>th</sup> Nov:** Year 6 assembly

**25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> Nov:** Parent teacher meetings

**4<sup>th</sup> Dec:** Year 5 assembly 9.15am

**10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> Dec:** Nativity plays 2pm

**16<sup>th</sup> Dec:** Carol Service 6.30 for 7pm

\*Please note that class trip dates will not be included here

## Dear Parents,

Thanks very much for your kind words following our information evening last week. You said you found it very helpful to learn about how and why we do things in a certain way. Following a suggestion from a parent, I will be running a behavior management workshop in a few weeks. The date will be announced soon. Have a super weekend.

Best wishes,  
Mrs Griffiths, Headteacher

Please note that newsletters will now be issued on a fortnightly basis

## Lost property

We have new drawers for lost property in our basement. Lost items will always be returned to their owners if they are labelled.

There is also space at the bottom for second hand uniform donations. We are always very grateful for these. If you are donating items, please only include clean, mended items and take off name labels first. Many thanks.

## Orchestra

Thank you for your interest in our new orchestra. Please ensure that your children bring their instruments each Friday, and place them next to the table at the end of the hall by the front door when they arrive in the morning.

Unfortunately, we will not be able to include pianists in the orchestra as there were so many! However, the good news is that Mrs Bryan will be organising a keyboard ensemble to start very soon, and pianists can be part of that. More details to follow!

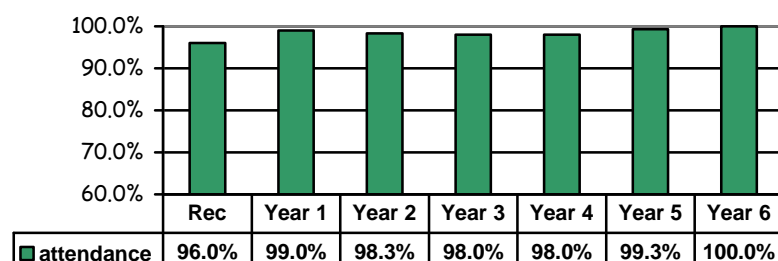
## Well done to...

(R), Celeste (Yr1), Alvis (Yr2), Irene (Yr3), Ana (Yr4), Alex (Yr5), Amanze (Yr6), to be announced Challoner class and blue house for achieving certificates this week.

(R), Soizic (Yr1), Jake (Yr2), Mathilde (Yr3), Connor (Yr4), Ines (Yr5), Ilaria (Yr6), Zachary Reception class and blue house for achieving certificates last week

**Congratulations everyone!**

## Congratulations to Year 6 with 100% attendance last week!



## Secondary Transfer

Many of you with children in Year 6 will be well underway with this process. If your child will be late or absent from school due to secondary visits or assessments, **you must let the school office know in advance and in writing.** Many thanks for your cooperation with this.

### Austin's butterfly becomes 'Mrs Griffiths' flower'!

Draft 1



Draft 2



Draft 3



Those of you who were present at our information evening last week will remember the video of 'Austin's butterfly' made by Ron Berger from Expeditionary Learning. For those of you that couldn't make it you can find it on you tube. The children have also now watched the clip and have been helping Mrs Griffiths to improve her drawing of a passion flower, by using the 'critique and feedback' method. They have been giving some brilliant suggestions, and you can see that it is slowly getting better! The children have also made rules to support the process. Perhaps parents can use the rules to 'critique and feedback' while helping with homework at home.

#### Rules for the advisor

- Be kind
- Be helpful
- Be specific
- Don't give too much information

#### Rules for the learner

- Listen to what your friend is saying
- Be positive
- Say thank you
- Try out the suggestions

## Reception Class Portraits



Reception Class have worked very hard on their portraits which are displayed outside their classroom. After just a few weeks in school, they are to be greatly admired on their efforts!