

Newsletter



The
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School

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

Forthcoming dates

9th Feb: Shrove Tuesday pancake sale 3.30pm (Yr 3 parents)

15-19th Feb: half term

22nd Feb: Back to school

23rd Feb: behaviour parent workshop 9-10am

1st and 2nd March: Individual & sibling pupil photos

4th March: Year 3 class assembly 9.30am

11th March: No swimming for Years 3 and 5

16th and 17th March: Parent's Evenings

18th June: First Holy Communion 11am

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

Dear Parents,

It's been a very productive couple of weeks since I last wrote to you. We hope you enjoy looking at the photos of our art exhibition. This is our last newsletter before the half term break, don't forget we break up on the 12th February and return on the 22nd!

Best wishes, Mrs Griffiths, Headteacher

Reminder Governors' Fund

Contributions towards the Governors' Fund are now due. This is an annual request from the governors who invite parents to make a donation towards the upkeep of the school building. As a voluntary aided school, the governors pay for 10% of the cost of building works from the governors' fund. Recently, for example, a contribution was made towards the replacement of some windows, damp work in the basement and the refurbishment of the juniors toilets. The governors are suggesting a voluntary contribution of £30 per family per year. Contributions may be given to the school office and **cheques should be made payable to "The Oratory Primary School"**. The Governors' Fund is a registered charity with The Brompton Oratory Church and as such we have Gift Aid forms in the office which parents can sign. This is an easy way of making your contribution go further. You only need to sign the gift aid declaration once so if you have already completed one there is no need to sign a new form. We would be most grateful if Governors' Fund contributions could be received before the end of this half term.

Because the governors' fund is only spent on the school building, some families have asked us how they can make larger donations to the school to buy books, computers and other equipment. This can be done by donating to the Parents' Association. Some parents have asked us whether they can make a regular donation to the PA charity by direct debit. We are currently looking into this, and will send further information soon.

Lent

Next Wednesday is Ash Wednesday and will mark the beginning of Lent. Father Edward will be administering ashes to the whole school in the afternoon and the children will be making Lenten promises.

Pancake sale

Next Tuesday is Shrove Tuesday and Year 3 parents are kindly organising a pancake sale in the hall after school. There will be a variety of toppings, and all proceeds will go to the Parents' Association.

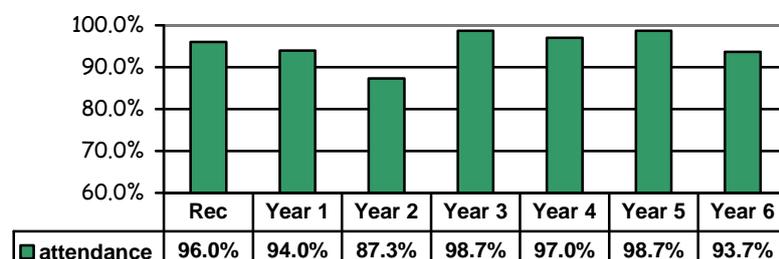
Well done to...

(R), Sarah (Yr1), Philip (Yr2), Afonso (Yr3), Sofia D (Yr4), TBA (Yr5), Jorge (Yr6), Sofia B
All classes and red house for achieving certificates last week.

(R), Cosme (Yr1), Clementine (Yr2), Theodore (Yr3), Nicolas (Yr4), Alejandro (Yr5), Thomas (Yr6), Leah
Year 4 and yellow house for achieving certificates this week.

Congratulations everyone!

Congratulations to Year3 & 5 with 98.7% attendance last week!



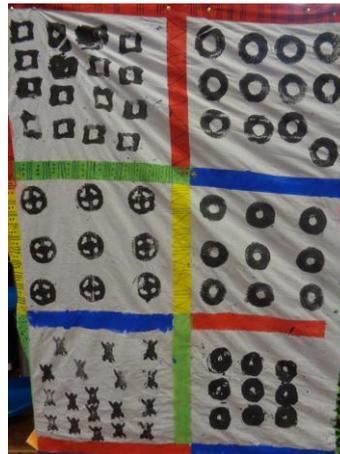
Tube Strike

At the time of writing, The RMT union has announced a Tube station staff strike from early evening Saturday 6 to end of service Monday 8 February 2016. Should this go ahead, we advise that you leave plenty of extra time for your journey on Monday morning.

EAL library stars

Congratulations to Blandine, Martina, Gonzalo, Francois and Aitana for being our first EAL Stars! They use the EAL Library regularly and always bring back their books so that others can read them. The dual language library is in the hall every Wednesday at 8.40 a.m. with Spanish, French, Portuguese, Polish, Slovakian and Albanian books.

Oratory Primary School Art Exhibition



What a fantastic celebration of the children's wonderful work! Sincere thanks to everyone who came along and all those people who made it possible.