

Attendance

Please remember to phone the office before 9am if your child will be absent and always follow this up with written confirmation when your child returns to school. This will ensure that the absence is authorised in the school's official register. Whenever possible, medical appointments should be made outside of school hours. However, we understand that this is not always possible and ask that you inform us in advance of any future appointments so that we can update our registers accordingly. Please advise both the class teacher and the office. Thank you for your co-operation.

Home School Agreement

Please remember to return any outstanding Home-School-Agreements to the office by Friday 15th November. Thank you.

Date changes

We are very sorry to change things again, but the Y6 and Reception Mass will need to be rescheduled due to some confusion with the dates of a school trip. We will let you know the new date as soon as we can. The church has moved the Carol Service to December 17th.

Parent Teacher Meetings

Later this month, there will be parent/teacher meetings after school. Year 5 and Year 6 will be holding their meetings on 19th and 20th November and the other classes will be holding their meetings on the 20th and 21st November. Sign up sheets are on the cupboard doors in the hall.

These meetings are very important for you. Your child's class teacher will be able to let you know about the progress they have made in each core part of the curriculum. They will also share with you the next steps which are planned for your child's learning, what their targets are and how can help at home. In turn, it is a good opportunity for you to ask questions and let the teacher know of any concerns.

Appointments need to be kept to ten minutes, otherwise there can be a terrible backlog, and parents who have later appointments can end up waiting for a long time. The appointments are for teachers and parents only, children do not need to attend.

Please note: Unfortunately, an increasingly large proportion of parents have been unable to attend parents evenings due to work commitments, and have requested alternative days and times. Teachers have been kindly trying to accommodate them but this is no longer sustainable, as staff have lesson preparation, planning and marking to attend to. The next parent teacher meetings are not until March so please make every effort to sign up for a meeting on the allocated days. Thank you for your understanding and support.



SECOND HAND BIKE MARKET

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ON MONDAY 2ND DECEMBER 2019

8am-9am

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Year 6

Remembrance Assembly

'This is War' by Valerio

When walking on this ripe green grass no
one would tell,
That this little piece of earth was once a
living hell.

May these heroes' bodies rest in peace in
their white graves,
And their names remembered throughout
the time waves.
No more war.

This is the final verse of one of the
beautiful and thought provoking poems
that Year 6 wrote and then read to us as
part of their assembly on Remembrance
this week. The children shared poetry,
music and information clearly and
confidently. Well done everyone!



Kindness and Anti-Bullying Week

Next week, all children will be taking part in a week of activities linked to picture books which explore feelings, kindness, and bullying. Be sure to ask them each day which book they have read, and what they have learned. As part of this, Friday 15th November will be 'odd socks day'. The children will be allowed to come in to school wearing odd socks (the brighter the better- spots, stripes, whatever you like, and we will explore self esteem and how to be proud of our differences. Girls can wear socks over tights!



We will be using the following vocabulary. A 'bully' is a person who purposely tries to hurt others by: making them feel uncomfortable; hurting them by kicking, hitting, pushing, tripping, etc; name-calling; spreading nasty rumours. The bully does this over and over in order to belittle their target. The person or group of people being bullied is the 'target'. Those who know what is going on but do nothing about it are 'bystanders'. Those who take action to stop bullying are 'upstanders'.

MEASLES
Don't let your child catch it
- get them vaccinated with the MMR vaccine

NHS

European Immunization Week
Prevent. Protect. Immunise.

The number of young people catching measles has risen. It's never too late to be vaccinated. You need two doses of MMR one month apart to be fully protected against measles, mumps and rubella.

It's time to make measles a disease of the past.

If you have symptoms of measles, stay at home and phone your GP or NHS 111 for advice. STAY AWAY from GP surgeries and A&E departments - you could spread the illness to others.

Measles symptoms include: high fever; sore, red, watery eyes; coughing; aching and feeling generally unwell; a blotchy red brown rash, which usually appears after the initial symptoms.

immunisation
the safest way to protect your child

For more information contact your local GP surgery or visit: www.nhs.uk/mmr

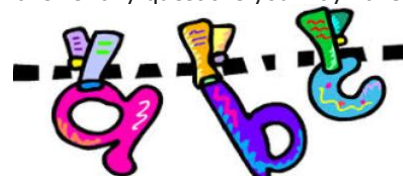
Our Pupils unveiled at the Tate Modern next week!

Explored through the vehicle of the traditional school class photograph, this vast new art work is one of the most ambitious portraits of children ever undertaken in the UK. It offers us a glimpse of the capital's future, a hopeful portrait of a generation to come. Last academic year, Steve McQueen invited every Year 3 pupil in London to have their photograph taken by a team of specially trained Tate photographers- and our Year 3 (now Year 4) accepted the invitation!

Their class photo, along with all the others, will be brought together into a single large-scale installation, capturing tens of thousands of Year 3 pupils in a milestone year in their development. Our children will be visiting the Tate in the New Year to see themselves as a work of art, but the exhibition is open from 12th November- so go and take a look if you can!

Early Reading and Writing Parent Workshop

Would you like to find out how to support your child with reading and writing at home? Do you want to learn more about phonics? Then please come to join our parent workshop on 29th November between 9 and 10am. Miss Creer and Mrs Griffiths will be there to support you and to answer any questions you may have.



Science 'Stay and Learn' for Year 1 and 2 families

Join us in the hall on 26th November at 2.30 for a practical session where you can engage with your child's learning. Your child would love you to come and join in with their super science!