### Wednesday 19th December 2018

As we come to the end of the Autumn Term I would like to thank all of our staff for all the hard work they have put into making our schools such a special, nurturing, safe and inspiring place for our children to enjoy learning everyday.

Thank you to all those who attended our Christmas events, including the EYFS Nativity, KS1 and Year 3 plays. The Christmas Concert this year was a real treat. All three choirs performed spectacularly, including a beautifully sung solo by Nyalah. The high quality delivery of passages read by our year 6 pupils was most impressive and our tableau performed by year 2 was truly magnificent.

After a rigorous selection process, congratulations on the promotion of four members of staff. Ms Ingham year 5 Additional Teacher, is now our English Subject Leader, Ms Henderson year 2 Class Teacher, is now our Maths Subject Leader and Ms Cramer, year 2 class Teacher and Ms Corbett, year 3 Class Teacher will share the role of Science Subject Leader. Well done to you all, we look forward to seeing the impact of your work.

This term we have said goodbye to Mrs Harris, our additional year 3 class teacher. Mrs Harris has decided to take a career break to spend more time with her family. After 13 years as working as an Inclusion Teaching Assistant, Mr Collins also moved on earlier this term.

Today we say goodbye to Ms Harris, one of our year 4 Class Teachers. Ms Harris has secured a teaching role at Eaton Manor.

Thank you all for your hard work, we wish you well for the future.

Ms Hughes will cover Class Teacher responsibilities while we confirm the appointment of a new Class Teacher.

Finally, I would like to wish all pupils and parents, from all the staff and governors of the school, a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Ms A. Parker Headteacher

#### **Dates for the diary**

**INSET Day** 

Monday 7th January

**Children Return** 

Tuesday 8th January

**Open Morning** 

(prospective parents)

Wednesday 9th January, 9.30am

**Year 4 Residential Ufton Court** 

Wednesday 16th-Friday 18th January

**E-Safety Workshop** 

Tuesday 22nd January, 3.30pm

**FAB Valentines Quiz** 

Friday 15th January, 8pm

**Maths Mastery Workshop** 

Wednesday13th and Thursday 14th February

**Resilience Week** 

Monday 28th January to Friday 1st February

**Last Day of Half Term** 

Friday 15th February

#### **Christmas Concert**

Year 6 Readers

Fantasia Campbell, Branden Aguilar, Sheyla Cueva Martinez, Jayden Callum, Alexandra Tucker, Chloe Aburrow, Isabela Lazar, Jayden Boateng, Marcus Bego, Lincoln Shahini-Lewis, Kruz Grant-Morrison, Paris Kesson

Year 2 Tableau

Mary and Joseph – Leilani and Sam C.

Angels – Beatrice, Kayla, Hannah
Shepherds –Shaqai, James ,Theo
Kings – Tony, Leonel, Immanuel
Star - Arlo





**LKS2** Congratulations on the successful year 3 Christmas performance 'A Christmas Carol' - such hard work put in by all year 3 staff. The children thoroughly enjoyed the singing and well done to all the children who learnt so much for the performance to be such a success.

Year 4 had an educationally, enhancing 'Mexico' day when they were visited by Claudia, a native of Mexico and curator of The Day of The Dead exhibition at the V and A museum last November. She brought in many Mexican artefacts for the children to see and clothes to try on. The children took inspiration from her and went on to create skull pendants and alter dioramas.

## **English Curriculum Update**

Sixteen of our Year 5 and 6 children will be lucky enough to meet best-selling author Dan Freedman and a cast member from the West End production 'Wicked' for a creative writing workshop in February. The event is part of the 'Wicked Young Writer Awards' which we hope to enter next year.

#### **Last Week Attendance Winners**

**KS1-** Class 1C 98.7% **KS2** Class 6G 99.7%

# Merry Christmas!

#### **Christmas Lunch**

Much fun was had during Christmas lunch this year. We listened to Christmas carols sang along and enjoyed a wonderful meal. Our catering team were a big part of the day's enjoyment. We thank them for all their work in preparing our delicious food.



# Gender Action Schools Award Programme

We are very excited to have been selected for the Gender Action Schools Award Programme. This will mean we will be part of a project organised by the UCL Institute of Education, Institute of Physics, the University Council of Modern Languages and King's College London to challenge gender stereotypes and make sure that no child is held back by societal expectations of their gender. We will be meeting up with other members of the project to discuss the next steps at City Hall in February 2019. Ms Ingham will keep us all abreast on the developments in this project.



#### **Missing Items**

Please take the time over the holidays to go through the school items you have. Many labelled items of clothing have been going missing. All items with other children's names on are to be left at the office.



#### **Clubs Alert!**

Spring Term clubs begin Monday 14th January. Please can any child participating in a Sports club please wear their full PE kit for health and safety. All children attending clubs must be collected at 4:15pm promptly.

#### **House Points Winners**

The Blue Kingfishers are the Autumn Term House Point Winners and will be going out on a reward trip on Thursday, 24th January 2019. Keep an eye on books bags or email inboxes as more information will follow after the holidays.

#### We still need your Lego

Request for pre-loved Lego!

We desperately need any unwanted pieces of Lego to help develop our children's communication, concentration and fine motor skills, through Lego Therapy.

Please leave donations at the office for Mr Connelly's attention. Thank you



The Winter Fair was another fabulous event. Thank you to all our parent volunteers for their hard work in organising another successful event.

