



Newsletter

6th December 2019

Dear parents/carers,

As Christmas approaches we have been involved in many activities that remind us of the importance of being kind to each other. Our kindness messages are going to be put up as decorations on the Christmas tree in the top hall. Here is what we have been up to:

Trips and Events

- On Monday we celebrated “Be Bright Day”. It was fantastic to see so many bikes, scooters and skateboards decorated in the brightest colours and so lovely to see the children wearing multi-coloured clothes. Thank you to all the families for supporting us become more visible on the roads!
- Our choir went to sing Christmas carols in Spitalfields on Wednesday to support Providence Row in raising money for the homeless. They sang beautifully despite the cold and enjoyed a lovely hot chocolate at the end of the performance.
- After singing carols with our choir Johnny went to Globe School to perform more songs and play the violin in a concert organised by Thames Music. What a talented young man!
- FSU & year 1 watched a Pantomime called “Wizard Loon’s Jack and the Beanstalk”. I have never heard so much laughing from the children they found it very entertaining!

Sharing Good Learning

The following children shared their learning this week:

- **Year 1:** Eshaan, Asif, Ismail, Sabira, Taqwaa and Saara performed an amazing medley of dances they have been learning in PE.
- **Year 2:** Jazmine and Ariya read their diary entries describing their experience of Be Bright Day. What fantastic writers they are!
- **Year 3:** Year 3 have been learning to read analogue clocks, Ikramul, Farhan, Isra, Ayesha and Ehsan explained how the clock works and how to accurately tell the time.
- **Year 4:** Year 4 have been reading “Charlie and the Chocolate Factory”, Adyan, Maya, Kayden, Usama and Asma published their own version for a new chapter in the book; they included a cover with illustration, a blurb at the back and even a barcode!
- **Year 5:** Dylan, Ayan, Nazimah and Maria shared their own versions of the ending for “A Christmas Carol”; they managed to create the perfect atmosphere and convey it to the reader.
- **Year 6:** Ishaq, Jubayra, Zhraa, Cathy, Rima, Prisca, and Syedi shared their Royal Portraits and described how to achieve a perfect royal posture!
- **Special Mentions:** Lydia mentioned the whole of year one for being great at sharing, especially **Ecrin, Holly** and **Saima**. I mentioned **Ismail** for his growth mindset. Shyma mentioned the year 6 sports leaders for helping her on the pitch and Ruth mentioned **Alfred** for working hard in maths. Finally Shay mentioned **Maddie** for her progress in reading and Eki mentioned **Ecrin** for trying her best. Well done all!

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Attendance and Welfare Advisor

Katherine McLoughlin is the AWA for Virginia primary school she comes in half termly and checks the school registers monitoring absences and lateness. I know a few parents received a letter to come into school and meet with her. I would just like to point out the office staff are not responsible for these letters going home; could I please ask you to always maintain courtesy and politeness when addressing our office staff.

Nativity

Summer Holiday 2020

The last day children attend school is Friday 17th July 2020



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Please make sure you arrive no later than 9.10 with your tickets staff will be attending and the office will be closed after this time.

Achievement

The achievement assembly will be on **Friday 20th December @ 9.10am**. If you would like to come along you will **need a ticket** these have been limited to **one per family (mum or dad)** and are **NOT transferable**. Please see Shelly or Joan in the office. **The deadline for getting tickets is Friday 13th December**. Please make sure you arrive promptly because all staff attend this assembly and the office will be closed from 9.15am.

Attendance and Punctuality Table

Year Group	Number of pupils late	Ranking	Attendance	Ranking
Reception				
Year 1				
Year 2				
Year 3				
Year 4				
Year 5				
Year 6				

Well done . I am very proud of your attendance! **All classes now need to improve their punctuality!** Parents please make sure your child is lined up in the playground at 8.55am, so that they are in lessons and ready to start their learning. I would just like to remind you that in accordance with the Tower Hamlets Penalty Notice Scheme you will be fined if your child is late 20 or more times in a term.

Forthcoming events

10 th December 2019	Nativity 1 @ 9.10am
11 th December 2019	Nativity 2
17 th December 2019	Christmas Lunch
18 th December 2019	Year 1 visiting the Unicorn Theatre
18 th December 2019	Reception class visiting Stratford Circus
19 th December 2019	Poetry Slams @ 2.40pm – all welcome
20 th December 2019	Achievement assembly @ 9.10am
20 th December 2019	Last day of school – school finishes at 1.45pm

Dates for the rest of this Year

12 th December 2019	General Election	School Closed
23 rd December to 3 rd January 2020	End of Term	School Closed
17 th February to 21 st February 2020	Half Term	School Closed
6 th April to 17 th April 2020	End of Term	School Closed
7 th May 2020	Occasional Day	School Closed
8 th May 2020	Bank Holiday	School Closed
25 th May to 29 th May 2020	Half term	School Closed
20 th & 21 st July 2020	Inset Days	School Closed

Best wishes,

Barbara Lo Giudice, head teacher