



SEPTEMBER Newsletter

6th September 2019

Dear parents/carers,

Welcome back! I hope you all had a fantastic summer holiday. It has been lovely meeting all the children again and a special welcome to all our new children and families. As you know, Kate is off on her round the world adventure this year, she has been sending us updates and pictures so keep an eye out for pictures on the screen in the playground. I wanted to take this opportunity to introduce our new leadership team: Amanda who is Assistant Head for Teaching and Learning, Lydia who is Assistant Head for Enrichment and Inclusion and Salma who is Assistant Head for Assessment. Here's what we have been up to this week:

In whole school assembly, we have been looking at our school values of **Inclusion, Growth, Empowerment and Adventure** and have begun to look at what school behaviours represent those values. We have also discussed our playground charter and made sure we understand how to keep safe in the playground so that we can have fun and relax. The children have also been very busy developing their Class Charters by thinking about the Rights enjoyed by the children under the United Nations Convention for the Rights of the Child; by following the class charters, children and adults ensure that everyone has their right to education, to be safe and to feel valued.

FSU News

It was great to see so many parents at the reception parents meeting. Welcome to all those new parents and I am sure you will have a great year!

The new children are settling in so well and they have made a great start to the new year.

Heads Report to Parents

I will be reporting to parents on our successes of the academic year 2018 – 2019 and also talking about the school improvement priorities for 2019 – 2020. The meeting will be on Friday 20th September at 9.00 am. It is a great opportunity for parents to ask questions about the schools development and to find out about National changes. Governors will also be there for you to meet and they will talk to about their role in school improvement. Refreshments will be provided – all welcome.

Attendance and Punctuality Table

Year Group	Number of pupils late	Ranking	Attendance	Ranking
Reception	1	5 th	100%	1 st
Year 1	1	5 th	96.55%	2 nd
Year 2	0	1 st	96.43%	4 th
Year 3	0	1 st	93.71%	5 th
Year 4	0	1 st	96.55%	2 nd
Year 5	0	1 st	91.67%	7 th
Year 6	1	5 th	92.90%	6 th

Well done Reception class, I am very proud of your attendance! Keep up the good 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.**



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Under 5 activities

Toy library will start on Wednesday 11th September at 9.00 am and messy play will start on Thursday 12th September at 9.00am.

Forthcoming events

9 th September 2019	Year 2 parent information session @ 9.00am
10 th September 2019	Year 3 parent information session @9.00am
11 th September 2019	Year 5 parent information session@ 9.00am
12 th September 2019	Year 6 parent information session @ 9.00am
13 th September 2019	Year 4 parent information session @ 9.00am
17 th September 2019	Year 6 visiting the Houses of Parliament
18 th September 2019	Year 5 visiting the Ragged School Museum
19 th September 2019	Year 4 visiting the Museum of London
20 th September 2019	Head teachers report to parents @ 9.00am – bottom hall
20 th September 2019	Year 4 visiting Millwall Rugby Club
23 rd to 27 th September 2019	Year 5 on School Journey to Swanage
26 th September 2019	Year 6 visiting the Ragged School Museum

Dates for the rest of this Year

18 th October 2019	Family learning day – more details to follow
21 st October to 25 th October 2019	Half Term 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	GLA Elections 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, acting head teacher

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