



Newsletter

31st January 2020

Dear parents/carers,

This week we have been focusing on what it means to be inclusive. We commemorated Holocaust Memorial Day and thought about the minorities that were persecuted during those dark years. The children have been working very hard at being inclusive in the playground.

Here is what we have been up to:

Trips and Events

- School Council visited St Hilda's to commemorate Holocaust Memorial Day
- Year 5 & 6 had a visit from an Author Margaret Bateson-Hill
- Year 2 visited the Natural History Museum on Thursday

Sharing Good Learning

The following children shared their learning this week:

- **Year 1:** Yousef, Zain, Holly and Siyana acted out their favourite parts of the book that they have been reading: "The extra yarn".
- **Year 2:** Year 2 were out visiting the Natural History Museum to learn about animal classification.
- **Year 3:** Cara, Salman and Hannah read extracts from their stories about the life of Jemmy Button. They used some amazing vocabulary and beautifully evocative descriptions.
- **Year 4:** Usama, Sabine, Adyan and Taskiya explained how they experimented mixing primary colours to make secondary colours in Art. Did you know that you cannot make primary colours from secondary ones?
- **Year 5:** Year 5 have been learning about the difference between being agnostic, atheist and believing in RE. They had fantastic discussions in small groups and shared their thoughts. Katya, Dylan and Emaan explained what those words meant to them and why.
- **Year 6:** Year 6 have been learning about the power of fake news and fake pictures in the media. Sara, Adam M, Zach, Joyce and Jahan showed us a series of pictures and we had to decide whether they were photoshopped (fake) or real. It was so hard to tell!

Special Mentions:

Alfred mentioned **Sam** for being so inclusive in the playground. **Faizan** mentioned **Adam** for being such a great learning partner. **Maya** mentioned **Teo** for always including people in his games. I mentioned **Ecrin** for being a role model in the dinner hall.

FSU News

This week nursery and reception have been learning about their right to be safe. We thought of all the ways we can keep ourselves and others safe at school. We always use walking feet indoors, so we don't accidentally fall or bump into our friends. We always use gentle hands, using our words to solve any issues that may arise. We use equipment safely, by being careful and using different resources in the correct area. We also make sure we pick things up off the floor so we don't trip over them! All the children in the EYFS have been trying their best to respect their right to be safe, well done!



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Attendance and Punctuality Table

Year Group	Number of pupils late	Ranking	Attendance	Ranking
Reception	3	5 th	93.79%	7 th
Year 1	3	5 th	95.71%	6 th
Year 2	1	1 st	97.33%	5 th
Year 3	3	5 th	100%	1 st
Year 4	2	2 nd	97.67%	4 th
Year 5	2	2 nd	99.31%	2 nd
Year 6	2	2 nd	97.86%	3 rd

Well done year 3. 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

3 rd February 2020	Year 4 visiting the Discovery Centre Hyde Park
4th February 2020	Year 4 parents meeting at 9am Re: School Journey
4 th February 2020	Year 1 visiting the Horniman Museum
10 th to 14 th February 2020	Year 3 Intensive Swimming every day for one week
13 th February 2020	Poetry Slams @ 2.45 please come along all welcome
26 th February 2020	Year 5 visiting the Police Museum
5 th March 2020	World Book Day
9 th to 11 th March 2020	Year 4 School Journey
9 th March to 20 th March 2020	Year 5 Intensive Swimming every day for two weeks
13 th March 2020	Year 1 visiting Spitalfields Church
20 th March 2020	Year 2 & 3 visiting the Royal Albert Hall
23 rd March 2020	Year 1 visiting Trinity Buoy Wharf
24 th March 2020	Reporting to the Reception class parents
25 th March 2020	Reporting to year 6 parents
26 th March 2020	Year 4 Artburst production – details to follow nearer the time
2 nd April 2020	Poetry Slams Assembly at 2.45 – parents welcome
3 rd April 2020	Achievement Assembly at 9.10
1 st May 2020	Year 1 visiting the London Zoo

Dates for the rest of this Year

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,

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