



St John's and St Clement's

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Friday 16th December 2016



Dear Parents and Carers,

What a busy term and what a busy week!

The amazing KS1 Nativity and the Foundation stage show have really filled the school with the spirit of Christmas. Both were a real testament to the hard work of all our children – the stars of the future!

It doesn't feel that long since I introduced myself to you as the new head teacher. This term, we have been busy developing many areas in the school and here are some of the things that have happened:

We have held a harvest festival, in which your generous donations were collected by the Peckham Food Bank. The PFTA held a successful Christmas fayre, which raised over £4,000. You have attended parents' evenings, curriculum meet the teacher events and coffee mornings. We have welcomed a new PTFA. We have enjoyed a science show and signed up for a years' subscription to 'Mathletics', both of which were generously funded by the PTFA. Foundation stage, have received some new outdoor equipment. We have seen some of our children enter sporting events and all of our classes have been on a school trip. Year 5 and 6 had their Holy Communion service. We have had Farm trip, PGL and Young Voices choir assemblies. New interactive whiteboards and PC's were installed in all the classrooms. The children are enjoying their new interactive lessons. Each class redesigned their book corners which are now very inviting places to be.

We welcomed Mrs Sinclair to the staff. She has been working very hard with the children in preparation for secondary school. We also said goodbye to Mrs Forrest, who is now on maternity leave and welcomed Ms Sy-Yed in her place.

Our valued teachers have received training on Mathletics and English training from the Literacy Tree.

Next term we will keeping you informed on the forthcoming programme of parents' events and I am looking forward to giving you an insight into the mosaic for the school foyer.

Thank you for all your support this term. I hope you have a wonderful Christmas and New Year.

Best wishes,

Joseph Bell and all of the team at St John's and St Clement's

Diary Dates

Monday 19th December

Reception Theatre Trip
Year 6 Christmas Party during the afternoon

Tuesday 20th December

7pm - KS2 Carol Service at St John's Church
Reception /Y1/2/3/4/&5 Christmas party during the afternoon

Wednesday 21st December

9.30 - End of term service – All parents welcome.
Last day of term

Tuesday 3rd January

School closed for staff training.

Wednesday 4th January

School opens for the Spring Term

Monday 9th January to Friday 13th January

Mosaic workshops in school

Tuesday 10th January

9.30-10.30 Reception 2017 parents' open morning

Wednesday 11th January

3.30pm Y5 Wick Court Parent Meeting

Wednesday 18th January

Choir at Young Voices, O2 Greenwich
5K Visit to Dulwich Picture Gallery

Thursday 19th January

5S Visit to Dulwich Picture Gallery

Wednesday 25th January

5M Visit to Dulwich Picture Gallery

Saturday 11th February – Sunday 19th February

School closed for half term





Today was Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day. What amazing jumpers! Thank you to Denise (Joshua's mum) for helping to organise the collection and extra adornments. Thank you to all of you for your support and incredible creativity!

Science Show

Yesterday we were all treated to an amazing science show as part of our topic this half term. It was very loud and very exciting! Thank you to Mrs Evans for organising this and the PTFA for funding this show.



After School Clubs Spring Tern 2017

Club allocations were sent home with the children this afternoon. You will see the payment item available for you on the ParentPay website.

www.parentpay.com

Alternatively, you may choose to leave a cheque payment in the school office.

Please be aware that children will not be able to join their allocated club if payment has not been received.

Club payments are due no later than

Friday 6th January 2017

**Y5 Wick Court Farm Meeting on 11.1.17 at
3:30pm**

Anna Harding will be holding a meeting for parents of children who are going to Wick Court Farm in March 2017. At the meeting, we will discuss arrangements, clothing lists, medical information etc.



Sport

Our Y3/4 team took part in Sportsfusion's Chelsea FC opening Tournament at the Chelsea training ground on Friday 9th December. We are thrilled to announce that they won the tournament!



Christingle

On Monday your child will be bringing home a collection envelope for The Children's Society. If you would like to donate, please return the envelope on Wednesday morning ready for our Christingle service. The Children's Society kindly donate candles and red tape so we can make our festive Christingles at the end of term. If you forget to return your envelope don't worry as there will be collection plates at the end of the service.

Attendance for this term

Class	Attendance
Rainbow	97.2%
Star	96.9%
1I	98.1%
1S	96.8%
2G	97.4%
2M	96.5%
3E	94.0%
3V	97.0%
4D	97.2%
4C	97.7%
5M	94.7%
5K	96.7%
5S	94.6%
6F	94.0%
6P	97.2%

Congratulations to **1I** who achieved 98.1% attendance this term.

Christmas Fayre

Thank you to everyone who came to our Christmas Fayre last week it was great to see so many of you! A huge thank you to the PTFA and all who helped organise this important event including 6F, 4D and 3V who made the Christmas Fair decorations with Mrs Mackley. We are awaiting final figures, but it raised over £4000! Thank you!



KS2 Christmas Carol Concert

This year, all children in KS2 will perform in our annual Christmas Carol Concert at St John's Church on Tuesday 20th December at 7:00pm. All children should attend and need to arrive at church by 6:45pm. They need to hand their coat to an adult and make their way to the front of the church. Parents are most welcome to attend. It promises to be a very well attended service – there is limited seating in the church so two guests per child maximum please. If you are unable to stay, please be sure to collect your child/ren by 8pm.