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NEXT SCHOOL HOLIDAY: MONDAY 21ST OCTOBER 2019 - FRIDAY 25TH OCTOBER 2019

CHILDREN RETURN TO SCHOOL ON MONDAY 28TH OCTOBER 2019

PLEASE REMEMBER THAT HOLIDAYS SHOULD NOT BE BOOKED IN TERM TIME

Events happening next week	
Mon 16th Sept	-Connor's Y3 Class going swimming. Returning to school at 4.00pm -Groups of Reception children going to Forest School – pm -Parents meeting for Year 6 parents re transfer to secondary school: 2.45pm - 3.10pm
Tues 17th Sept	-Workshop for Year 5 children at school: 'Portals to the Past.' -Daisy's Y4 Class swimming. Returning to school at 4.00pm
Wed 18th Sept	-'Meet the Teacher' Meeting for parents of children in Reception Class: 9.10am – 9.30am -Emma's Y4 Class swimming. Returning to school 3.30pm
Thurs 19th Sept	-Lucy Nutt, School Improvement Advisor from RBKC, visiting school -Emma's Y4 Class assembly. 2.55pm Parents of children in her class are warmly invited to attend
Fri 20th Sept	-Parent Rep Meeting: 9.00-9.30pm. This is our first meeting of the year and parents are encouraged to attend to find out about all the good work our parent reps do

News and Reminders
DIARY DATES
The diary dates for this term were sent home last week on the ParentMail App. Please read carefully and note all the dates relevant to your child's year group. It includes class assemblies, dates where parents are invited in for 'exit points', parents' evenings, parent workshops and concerts. There are also many trips planned but please note there could be additional trips as we are awaiting confirmation for some.

MEDICATION IN SCHOOL
May I remind parents that children should never bring medication to school and administer it themselves. If you would like your child to take any form of medicine in school, we ask that you take the medication to the office in order that you sign a form giving your instructions and permission. Please note, we are not allowed to give Ibuprofen unless your doctor prescribes it. Prescribed medicines and asthma pumps
If your child suffers from asthma or needs to take medication at school, it is vital that your child has an 'in date' medication or asthma pump at school and that you sign the form in

MEETING FOR Y6 PARENTS
There is a meeting next Monday 16th September at 2.45pm for parents/ carers of children in Y6 to discuss transfer to secondary school. We urge you all to attend as many of the secondary schools have open evenings and open days very soon and we will talk you through the process of applications.

BREAKFAST CLUB
There are limited places available at our Breakfast Club which opens at 7.50am. Please let the office know if you are interested in a place for your child.

ATTENDANCE 3-6 th September 2019
The overall figure for the 4 days last week was 90.3% . The classes in each Key Stage with the best attendance were: Laura's Year 1 – 92% Mary & Tim's Year 6 – 97.1% Many congratulations to both classes.
In spite of several reminders, there were still a number of families who arrived back to school late after the summer holidays. Governors take attendance very seriously and parents are reminded that fines may be issued if children are persistently absent for reasons that are not due to illness. Thank you for your support.

THE PLAYGROUND AT THE END OF THE DAY.
May I remind parents that everyone needs to leave the playground after school by 3.30pm unless they are waiting for children returning from swimming or a trip? In addition, we request that children push scooters within the school gates rather than 'scooting' on them; and that they don't play football or swing on the goalposts at the beginning or end of the day.



Stars of the Week 3-6th Sept



A huge well done to you all!

Nursery children	(Children were not back last week)
Stephanie's Reception	MASON - Settling in so well in reception and for following our classroom promises.
Kripali's Reception	
Alexa's Year 1	NAHID - Putting so much care and effort into your learning! We love your positive attitude!
Laura's Year 1	MAYMUNA - Her growing confidence at carpet time- it is wonderful to hear your voice and ideas! Keep it up!
Katie's Year 2	DANNY - Showing such a positive attitude towards all of your learning. Keep it up!
Phoebe's Year 2	SHEKINAH - Showing enthusiasm during our maths learning. We can rely on you to bring positivity and groove to our carpet songs!
Pippa's Year 3	MAYMOUN - A wonderful start in Avondale and year 3. You are such an enthusiastic learner- Well done!
Connor's Year 3	CALEB - His incredible effort and creativity in his home learning.
Emma's Year 4	WHOLE CLASS - Their amazing Ancient Egypt assembly. Starting the year off with dance moves, facts and wonderful acting. We are super proud of all of you!
Daisy's Year 4	GABRIEL - Having a calm, attentive, yet enthusiastic learning attitude and trying his absolute best at all tasks.
Julia's Year 5	JAIDON JAMES -Being an excellent addition to our class – Jaidon has worked his socks off and has been a pleasure to have in our class.
Francesca's Year 5	YUSRA - Trying exceptionally hard during all lessons this week. You have aspired to achieve your best and has shown a new positive attitude towards your learning. Well done!
Tim/Mary's Year 6	YUSUF - The attention and care you give to the presentation of all of your learning.
Russell's Year 6	LINA - Your positive attitude. Every day you come to school full of energy and happiness.

"IN IT TO WIN IT" ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY AWARD

THE WINNER FOR LAST WEEK

Ibrahim Ali- Year 2 Phoebe



Online Safety

Dear parent/carer,

Your child's online behaviour

We talk about staying safe online and offline throughout the school year, but we would like to take this opportunity to encourage you to talk to your children about online safety and what they do online and on their devices, why not ask your child to show you their apps, sites and games themselves and share some online experiences with your children.

Here are some further ideas to help keep your child safe online when at home:

- You can call the NSPCC / O2 parent **online-safety helpline on 0808 800 5002** for specific online safety advice or help with parental control settings for your home internet or devices.
- There is an excellent tablet app from **Internet Matters** built to help parents have a conversation about online safety with their children. Just search Internet Matters on the app store
- Search **NSPCC NetAware** on the app store for an excellent 'app about apps' with overviews of all the top sites, apps and games that your children play (but why not ask your child to show you their apps, sites and games themselves – they will be the best teachers).
- Silly season in the press may show lots of scare stories about 'bad apps' to avoid, but it is more important to think about behaviour, and what can happen on any app that has a certain feature (e.g. livestreaming), rather than on a particular named app.
- If you are worried about screentime, why not look at **www.screentime.lgfl.net** for sensible advice that you may find useful. Rather than focussing on 'time' on devices, think about quality and creativity instead.
- Google "family agreement" plus Childnet or NSPCC to see examples of how you can minimise arguments before they occur.

We will also be including some top online safety tips for parents in the weekly newsletter.

Kind Regards,

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