

JBuzz Newsletter

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“Achievement, ambition and progress for all....”



Dear Parents and Carers

I hope that you have all found the Parent-Teacher consultation helpful in having a clear picture of how your child is doing in school and what their next steps are. If you haven't been able to see your child's teacher yet, then I would ask that you make an appointment in the next week as it is a really helpful meeting and contributes to increasing your child's progress in school.

Thank you to the parents and children that shared their views on the Home Learning policy. These will all be considered and feed into our review of the policy. The points that appeared quite clear on initial review are that Sumdog, Hegarty maths and Bug club are popular, although we need to ensure a balance between creative homework and screen time. We will analyse the initial feedback and will use this to formulate a more detailed consultation which will go out on Survey Monkey later this term.

One of the joys of not having an enforced school uniform is that you see children wear what they feel comfortable in and like. A disadvantage of this is that clothes do not get named. Without all children wearing the same jumper or top, it feels like there is less need to name your child's clothing. However, every term we give hundreds of items of unclaimed lost property to charity as we cannot reunite the clothing with the child. Please could we ask that you name your child's clothing, especially if they are items that they are likely to take off if they get hot, i.e. coat, hat scarves, gloves and jumpers/cardigans. This way, it is much more likely that we can return items when found.

As we saw a fluttering of snow this week, we have looked at procedures for decision making and communication regarding school closing. If the school is going to be closed, the school website will be updated plus an email and text will go out to parents. We will endeavour to do this as early as possible after gathering information about staffing and the site with regards to safety. Please check all forms of communication before starting out on your journey to bring your child in.

Please ensure that we have up to date mobile numbers and email addresses at the office so that you receive the information.

I hope that you have a lovely weekend.

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February

Monday 4 th	YR2 London Transport Museum trip
Wednesday 6 th	World of Work Day YR5 & YR6
Thursday 14 th	Nursery trip to Maritime Museum
Monday 18 th - 22 nd	HALF TERM
Monday 25 th	E-Safety week

March

Thursday 7 th	World Book Day
Monday 11 th	STEM Week
Friday 15 th	Red Nose Day
Monday 25 th	Year 6 Mock SATs week
Thursday 28 th to Friday 29 th	- YR4 residential trip to Tolmers Camp

Letters

Nursery National Maritime Museum trip
YR5 Museum of London Docklands trip

January club sign-up feedback

When looking at club provision our main aim is to ensure all children have access to at least one high quality, out of school enrichment activity. With this in mind, we would like to invite all parents of KS1 and KS2 children to tell us which club they would pick as a first choice for their child.

We will then do our best to provide clubs with capacity for that number of potential children.

Please follow the link below to take part in the survey.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/8S9YLRH>