

Dear Parent/Carers,

I hope you all had a restful half-term!

Thought of the week:

‘It is confidence in our bodies, minds and spirits that allows us to keep looking for new adventures’.

(Oprah Winfrey)

Times table Rockstars:

Eri 2R, Martin 2R, Rukayat 1B, Adam 3B, Rayan 4Y, Archita 4R, Safiya 6B, Ananya 5B & Noha 6B

Writers of the week:

Ranvir 4G, Musa 4R, Rayyan 4B, Wazma 4Y, Zayn 5G, Khadijah 5R, Joanna 5Y, Ananya 5B, Fareed 6G, Bella 6R, Ismaeel 6B, Ayaan & Misha 6Y.

Mathlete Awards:

Simra 4G, Wazma 4B, Sawdah 4G, Adriana 5G, Kainat 5R, Marina 5Y, Emmad 5B, Zakariya 5Y, Sarah 6G, Nabil 6R, Isa 6B, Denis 6G, Zainub 6G.

Well done to you all!

**Internet Safety Workshop for Parents/Carers-
Thursday 27th February 2020-9.15am-10.30am in the
Main Hall**

I would encourage you to attend this workshop if at all possible, as it covers a range of issues that are of serious concern locally and nationally and could affect your child. The session will provide information and help parents to keep their child safe on the internet, whilst also raising awareness of local and national agenda items.

Workshops for children in Years 5 and Years 6 on the same topic will also take place on **Friday 28th February 2020.**

Important Information for Coronavirus

Please see the latest advice on the attachment.

I would ask that anyone who has recently travelled to the affected areas, contacts the school to notify us, so that we can put the necessary precautions in place.

Late Arrivals In The Morning

Please ensure your child gets into school on time by 8.50am. The doors leading to the classroom through the main playground close at 9.00am, as registers close at 9.05am. Any children who arrives later than **9am** will need to go to the school office and be signed in to receive an attendance mark. It is vital that your child arrives on time, so that the school is able to carry out our safe guarding procedures promptly in the mornings.

The school office must be made aware of all absences by 9.10 am. This is also vital so that we know the reasons for the absence.

World Book Day- Thursday 5th March 2020: As usual, **World Book Day** will be held on **Thursday 5th March 2020**. We are hosting many competitions to enthuse the children to read and the **details can be found on our school homepage**. We look forward to seeing some interesting **Tier 2 vocabulary** costumes. The children will take part in lots of fun challenges on the day. You will also have the opportunity to attend the **Scholastics Book Fair** for outstandingly reasonably priced books in the small hall at the end of the day. Please support our efforts to foster a love of reading and enjoy taking part in the competitions. Remember to continue to read e-books using Bug club if your child's stage book has been collected in for renewal! If you would like to please donate **£1** donation for non-uniform, as the money will go towards our school library and our class reading corners. Best of luck.

Parents Meetings-24th & 25th February

It was good to see so many parents attending the meetings on **Monday** and **Tuesday**. If you were not able to come, please arrange to meet the class teacher as soon as possible.

Amazing Author Visit- Thursday 27th February 2020

We are excited to welcome author and illustrator **Inderjit Puaar** on **Thursday 27th February 2020**. This is an excellent opportunity to inspire pupils to be writers, authors, graphic designers and illustrators of the future. Your child has the chance to buy a signed copy of the book. Please send your child with **£5** in the envelope provided with their name, and class.

You can visit the author after school for a photo opportunity.

KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

CFA Diversity Event: This year's **Diversity Event** will take place on **Wednesday 25th March** from **3.15pm - 4.45pm**. This will be a non uniform day. The theme this year will be "**Let's go French**".
– Children are invited to come dressed in **Red, Blue** and/or **White** and bring **£1** donation.

We hope to raise funds to continue enhancing the outdoor areas for all our children to enjoy.

You have noticed the new play area at the front of the school for our younger children, which was funded jointly by the **CFA fundraising** and the **Big Lottery Fund**.

Parentmail Update

Over the past few months ParentMail have been making lots of improvements to their parent App for Android and iOS devices and have recently launched a new version.

It's really important that you download the new App as soon as possible to ensure you continue receiving school communications.

To download the App, simply search 'ParentMail' in the Apple or Android App store. Once installed, please delete the current App from your device.

The new App includes lots of improvements, including:

- Improved user interface, making it quick and easy to find and manage school communications
- An 'Unread' section, where parents can find all new and unread items quickly and easily
- A new 'Announcements' feature to keep parents up to date with important ParentMail news.
- Improved archiving and delete functionality, making it easy to select items in bulk and much more.

What's more, this new App will make it even easier for ParentMail to make improvements in response to parent feedback.

All communications and payments will be via **Parentmail**.

Uniform/Jewellery

As always I would ask for your support in ensuring that children follow the school's uniform policy each day and that they wear no jewellery to school. All children should also wear sensible shoes. Uniform can be purchased from Rupens (98/100 Meads Lane, Seven Kings, Essex IG3 8QN).

This also applies to all Nursery pupils.

Key Dates for this Term

26th Feb-Year 6Y/6G- Printing Workshop at **Williams Morris Gallery**

5th March- Year 4B/4G- **Duveen Tate Gallery**

5th March-Themed Lunch-**World Book Day**

5th March- **World Book Day** Non- uniform Day
9th-13th March-Science Week

10th March-Year 6R/6B- Printing Workshop at **Williams Morris Gallery**

11th March- Year 5B/5G- **British Museum**

12th March- Year 4Y/4R- **Duveen Tate Gallery**

13th March- Year 5R/5Y- **British Museum**

19th March-Year 3 "Our world our Planet" Drama Workshop at school

20th March- Year 4 & 5- **Virtual Reality Workshop** at school

24th March- Year 1 Performance to Parents- 2.15pm in the main hall.

25th March- **CFA Diversity Event**

6th April-18th April-Easter Holidays

20th April-School opens for pupils

23rd April-St. Georges Day

8th May-**Bank Holiday (Friday)**

25th May-29th May-Half Term Break

1st June-Inset Day (School closed for pupils)

2nd June- School opens for pupils

17th July- Last day of Summer Term

Lost Property

We have a huge number of items in the lost property tubs in the playground. Please take a look if your child has lost any items.

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