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Dates for the Spring and Summer terms

New items in red

Dear Parents.

Spring term parent consultations:

Sign up sheets for parent consultations are available in the reception area. If you are unable to make it into school to sign up for an appointment, please contact the office and they will try and find a slot for you. The arrangements are as follows:

Tuesday 12th March— Y5 and Y2 am, Y4 and Y1 pm, all classes after school (3:40 – 6:30).

Wednesday 13th March – Y3 and YR am, YN and Y6 pm.

World Book Day:

On Thursday 7th March we will be celebrating World Book Day. All children are invited to come to school dressed as a character from a book that they have read. We will send home a label for your child to wear, on which they can write the name of their character and the book it is from. Remember, costumes do not need to be costly – there are lots of fantastic ideas for simple homemade outfits online! **Parents are invited to join us at the start of the day (from 9:00 to 9:30) to read with their child in class.** For parents of children in Year Two to Six, you will get the opportunity to see our new 'Accelerated Reader' program in action, which allows children to take quizzes on each book they've read. This program is part of a whole-school push to encourage children to read for pleasure. Research shows that reading brings benefits that help pupils achieve more across the whole curriculum. These include a broad vocabulary, text comprehension, grammar and general knowledge. Reading for pleasure has also been found to be linked to greater progress in spelling and even mathematics skills!

Behaviour:

This week in assemblies we have been reinforcing our expectations about behaviour. On Monday I explained about how we can all be "radiators" or "drains" (ask your children what it means!) and on Wednesday Miss Foster talked about the importance of rules as a way of ensuring safety. We have also practised lining up at the end of play and lunch times so that all children can show that they are ready to learn.

Children's learning at Friars:

Last half term, Year 2 learned all about the Great Fire of London. Aside from developing their history, geography, maths and literacy skills, they also did some fantastic artwork depicting the fire as it unfurled!



- Tuesday 5th March**—final Y3 swimming session; Y5 to Into university
- Thursday 7th March**—World Book day; Y3 Insight sparks project begins today; Ballet Rambert dance project begins today
- Tuesday 12th March**—Y2 start swimming; Spring term parent consultations
- Wednesday 13th March**—Spring term parent consultations
- Thursday 14th March**—parent coffee morning 9-9:30
- Friday 15th March**—Kidzania trip attendance award announced
- Wednesday 20th March**—YN parent IMPACT workshop 9-10; **oral health workshops for Y1,2 and 3**
- Wednesday 27th March**—Y3 parent IMPACT workshop
- Monday 1st April**—Kidzania attendance award trip
- Friday 5th April**—last day of Spring term. **NO PLAYCENTRE TODAY**
- Tuesday 23rd April**—first day of Summer term
- Friday 26th April**—parent coffee morning 9-9:30
- Tuesday 30th April**—Y5 to Into University
- Wednesday 1st May**—Y4 to watch their plays being performed at Southwark Playhouse
- Thursday May 2nd**—Ballet Rambert dance performance
- Tuesday 7th May**—Y3 to Southbank centre music concert
- Thursday 9th May**—parent cooking class 3:30—4:45
- Week beginning 13th May**—KS2 SATs week
- Week Beginning 20th May**—STEM week
- Wednesday 22nd May**—parent cooking class 3:30—4:45

Growth mindset thought for the week:

We like to think of our champions and idols as superheroes who were born different from us. We don't like to think of them as relatively ordinary people who made themselves extraordinary.

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Have a lovely weekend!
Yours sincerely,
J. Burtt, Headteacher

Commitment to keeping children safe:

Paper copies of our safeguarding policy are available for parents from the school office. It is also posted on the policies section of the website.



EYFS/KS1

Year Two

Nikki

for a great attitude to her learning and for fabulous shape work in Maths.

Well Done!



KS2

Year Five

Gracie

for demonstrating a clear growth mindset in Maths!

Well Done!



Assembly theme /next week
The Joy of reading - World Book Day



	Class	ATTENDANCE
1st	4	99.59%
2nd	6	94.3%
3rd	5	93.01%
4th	1	90.2%
5th	3	89.03%
6th	2	87.8%
7th	R	78.55%



	Class	ON TIME
1st	4	100%
2nd	5	98.16%
3rd	2	97.97%
97.58%	R	97.45%
5th	1	97.14%
6th	3	97.05%
7th	6	98.82%