



# NEWSLETTER



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**Dates for the Summer term**

**Dear Parents.**

**KS2 SATs:**

Year 6 have shown determination, resilience, good humour and real commitment this week during their SATs. They all deserve to do as well as they can. Thankyou to all the parents who have supported their children so well and thankyou to all the staff who have worked so hard on their behalf, especially Miss Gethin Jones, the Year 6 teacher.

**Attendance:**

Our attendance needs to improve! Whilst we understand children do fall ill our attendance expectation is now 97%. This is just above the national average of 95.8% (you will see that only 3 classes this week have an average above 97%) School attendance is vital for the life long success of our children. At the end of each half term we will be meeting with parents of some children whose attendance has gone below 90%. In addition to the class attendance award we give every week we will, from now on, once a half term, give special badges to individual children with attendance over 97% and an even more special badge for children with 100%. Children at the end of the year who have 100% attendance for the whole year will be entered into a raffle for a special prize. Finally, any unauthorised requests for holidays during term time will be automatically referred to Southwark Council who will decide whether to issue a penalty notice. The table below explains how attendance affects learning:

100% attendance	0 lessons missed	Best chance of success – Outstanding!
95% attendance	50 lessons missed	Good chance of learning – Well done!
90% attendance	100 lessons missed	Poor attendance – we are worried
85% attendance	150 lessons missed	Poor attendance – we are very worried
80% attendance	200 lessons missed	Poor attendance – we are seriously concerned

**Gentle reminders:**

Can parents remember to ensure that all children have correct PE kit to change into on the relevant days. This does not include football tops or shirts with logos on. Our PE kit consists of navy or black, non baggy shorts or plain sports trousers and a white t-shirt. Football shirts, logos or overly patterned clothing are not permitted. "Be Fit Be Fun Be Friars" t-shirts are available from the school office at the subsidised cost of £3.

A small minority of children have been eating sweets and chewing gum at playtimes and sometimes in class. Please note that sweets or chewing gum are not allowed in school at any point in the day (this includes at breakfast club and after school clubs) and will be confiscated and thrown away if we find children with them.

**Inventory:**

Our new entry system to ensure the safety of all members of our community has been installed today if you wonder that the screen in the reception area is for!

**New items in red**

**Tuesday 21st May**—Y6 start swimming

**Wednesday 22nd May**—Y6 to Crystal Palace to watch dance performance

**Thursday 23rd May**—Y3 walking tour of the Southbank; **Y4 to National Gallery am**

**Friday 24th May**—last day of summer term 1; extra swimming classes for Y6 begin

**Monday 3rd June**—1st day of summer 2

**Monday 3rd—Friday 7th June**—Y5/6 to Wick Court

**Week beginning 10th June**—Y1 phonics screening; Y5 to a concert at the Barbican

**Thursday 13th June**—Y6 to Into University

**Friday 14th June**—Y2 to Bach2Baby concert

**Monday 17th June**—parent open morning

**Wednesday 19th June**—Y3 to London Mithraeum

**Thursday 20th June**—parent coffee morning

**Wednesday 26th June**—2019/20 Reception registration for parents

**Saturday 29th June**—PTFA summer fete

**Tuesday July 2nd**—book fair in school

**Wednesday 3rd July**—Y3 to Kew Gardens

**Week beginning 8th July**—Health week; Y1/2 health morning; Y3/4 health afternoon

**Tuesday 9th July**—Olympic athlete visiting school

**Wednesday 10th July**—Sports day at GMH park

**Thursday 11th July**—Y4 "bees" trip

**Friday 12th July**—end of year reports out to parents

**Wednesday 17th July**—Tate Modern Y3 project; Y6 production and graduation 7pm

**Friday 19th July**—Last day of term. **Y6 home at 12, rest of school at 2pm. NO PLAYCENTRE!**

**Growth mindset thought for the week:**

**"If you can find a path with no obstacles, it probably doesn't lead anywhere"**

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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 One**

**Jovie**

for fantastic work on halving, shapes and quarters. You are a star!

**Well Done!**



**KS2**

**Year Five**

**Mary Lou**

for always taking pride in her work -

Your books are beautiful.

**Well Done!**



**Assembly theme / next week**  
**PEACE**



	Class	ATTENDANCE
1st	6	100%
2nd	3	98.67%
3rd	2	97.79%
4th	4	95.63%
5th	5	95.44%
6th	1	94.07%
7th	R	92.67%



	Class	ON TIME
1st	4	100%
2nd	6	98.85%
3rd	3	98.22%
4th	1	97.63%
5th	5	97.34%
6th	2	96.31%
7th	R	62.31%

# Term and Holiday Dates 2019 - 2020

An academic year is based on a total of 195 days. Children attend school for 190 days and the other 5 are in service training days (INSET) for staff only. The dates given are the days we break up along with the days we start back for each half term or holiday. Children should attend on these days.

	1st Half Term Starts	1st Half Term Finishes	2nd Half Term Starts	2nd Half Term Finishes
Autumn Term (71 days)	Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2019	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> October 2019	Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> October 2019	Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> December 2019
Spring Term (59 days)	Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> January 2020	Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February 2020	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> February 2020	Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2020
Summer Term (60 days)	Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> April 2020	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2020	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2020	Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2020
Total = 190 days				

**INSET days** (total = 5 days)

**(School is not opened for children on these days)**

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2019

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2019

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2019

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2020

## Public holidays that fall during term time:

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2020 (Bank Holiday)