

# Newsletter

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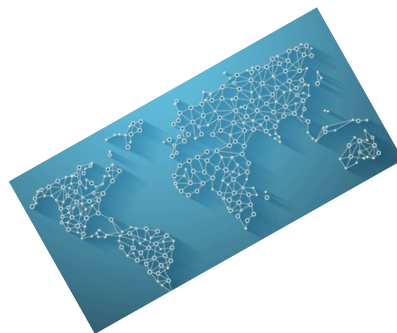
Friday 11th October 2019



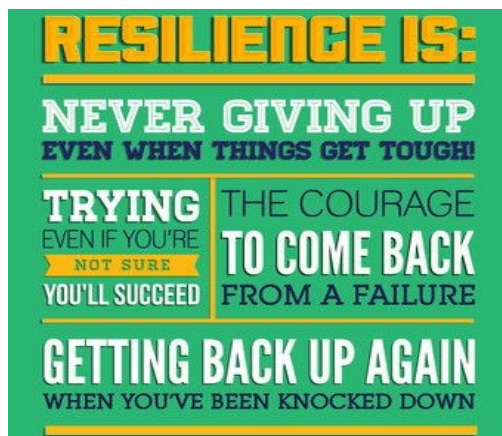
## International week

Next week we are having our annual international week. On Monday we will be having Mandinka Roots drumming workshops which are always hugely popular with the children. On Wednesday, our friends from the Confucius institute at LSBU will be doing a whole school performance where they will showcase dance, music, singing and martial arts. It's an amazing spectacle and we are all looking forward to it. These two events have been generously funded by the PTFA and we are grateful for their contribution. Throughout the week at lunchtimes, ISS will be putting on flavours from around the world. On Friday from 1pm—2pm, parents will have the opportunity to have a shared international lunch.

It will be a self run event. We will set the ICT suite up with tables, chairs, cutlery and crockery and will be on hand to help, but parents, its over to you to bring in dishes from around the world and enjoy the experience. It would be helpful if you could label dishes with key ingredients. From 2pm, all children from YN to Y5 will be doing an international dance performance. All parents are welcome to attend!



## Growth Mindset thought for the week:



**Monday 14th October**—Y2 to the Barbican; *Mandinka Roots drumming workshops*

**Week beginning 14th October**—International week and Y6 to Into University

**Tuesday 15th October**—Y4 to Veolia recycling plant

**Wednesday 16th October**—Y5 parent IMPACT workshop; *Chinese culture performance*

**Friday 18th October**—parents international week lunch and dance performance

**Week beginning 21st October**—half term break

**Monday 28th October** - INSET day

**Week beginning 4th November**—Bikeability course for Y5

**Wednesday 6th November**—Y4 to British Museum

**Thursday 7th November**—open morning for prospective YN/YR parents 2020/21; Y3 to film trip

**Monday 11th November**—Y4 to watch Anglo Saxon film at Vue Haymarket

**Tuesday 12th November**—parent consultations

**Wednesday 13th November** parent consultations

**Thursday 14th November**—Parent coffee morning 9-9:30

**Friday 15th November**—Children in Need

**Monday 18th November**—Y4 Anglo Saxon workshop with Museum of London

**Wednesday 20th November**—Y6 Parent IMPACT workshop

**Wednesday 4th December**—Y2 Parent IMPACT workshop

**Tuesday 10th December**—flu immunisations; *final Y6 swimming session*

**Thursday 12th December**—open morning for prospective YN/YR parents 2020/21; *Globe storytelling project for Y1 and 2*

**Tuesday 17th December**—Christmas performances (EYFS/KS1 9:30am, KS2 2pm)

**Thursday 19th December**—Last day of term. NO PLAYCENTRE

Have a lovely weekend!

Yours sincerely,  
J. Burt, Headteacher:

## Parent Governor Vacancy

Dear parents, for the last two years the governing body has tried to raise its profile around the school, by visiting regularly and taking opportunities to talk to children and parents. As a group, we have the best interests of the school at heart, and it is important to us that we have knowledge of the different aspects of the school and community. The role of parent governor is important in enabling this.

We have a vacancy for a parent governor and I do hope we can find a parent interested in taking this on (please see Caroline's article in last week's newsletter for the parent perspective). If you are interested but have questions, you are welcome to email me at [phinchliffe@friars.southwark.sch.uk](mailto:phinchliffe@friars.southwark.sch.uk)  
Pauline Hinchliffe, chair of governors

## Notice boards and smart watches

Some parents have asked about if and when we will be putting the weekly notice board back at the front of the school. Please bear with us: a new digital noticeboard will soon be installed in the new building.



If your child has a smart watch with the same functionality as a phone, we expect them to be handed into the office at the beginning of the day just like mobiles. Our best advice however, is do not send your child to school with a smart watch!



## Children's learning at Friars:

This week, Year 3's historical learning was really brought to life by a visit from Jack at Portals to the past. He helped develop their understanding of what life was like in the stone age and iron age eras brilliantly. Among other things they learned about how people made fire, caught woolly mammoths, and built stone circles, learning vocabulary like megalith and lintel along the way!



*"I enjoyed it when Jack showed us an old hand axe. They didn't use it for chopping trees, they used it for hunting too"* Davide

*"My favourite but was when we learned how to catch a woolly mammoth by playing a game"*  
Emma

# Attendance



**Our whole school  
attendance target is  
97%!**

This week's whole school attendance	Above or below?
<b>94.88%</b>	<b>Below 2.12%</b>

	Class	ATTENDANCE
1st	3	99.23%
2nd	5	98.62%
3rd	4	98.1%
4th	R	94.78%
5th	6	94.07%
6th	2	90%
7th	1	88.21%

# Punctuality

	Class	ON TIME
1st	R	99.13%
2nd	5	98.97%
3rd	2	98.85%
4th	6	98.52%
5th	3	98.46%
6th	4	98.1%
7th	1	96.79%



## Stars of the week



### **EYFS / KS1**

**Year 1**

**Oscar**

**for fantastic work in maths using the part , part whole model to make addition fact families.**

**Well done!**

### **KS2**

**Year 6**

**Georgia**

**for always giving every task 100% All your hard work is really paying off!**

**Well done!**

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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.

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Assembly theme /  
value for next week:

International Week

**Achieving excellence in a happy, nurturing and safe environment**