

Headteacher: Miss Helen Tyler

Dear Parents and Carers,

Newsletter No. 8 – Autumn Term

Friday 2nd November 2018

Welcome back to all our families after what I hope was a restful and refreshing half term break. We look forward to what will no doubt be a very busy few weeks ahead, as we head towards Advent and the Christmas break.

IMPORTANT NOTICE RE: ROAD CLOSURE



Unfortunately, there have been a couple of mishaps with the bollards that we use to close Macklin Street in the mornings and afternoons. Please be extra vigilant outside the school whilst we wait for these to be repaired, as we do not have a temporary means to close off the road as yet. We have asked for a temporary barrier which we could use in the meantime, but cannot say with any certainty how soon this will be available to us.

Attendance & Punctuality – Autumn 1

Well done to Year 1 children, who have achieved an amazing 100% attendance in this first week back. Let's keep this up, although we still have four classes who have not quite reached the minimum target of 96%.

We have started the half-term with a disappointing total of 22 late marks recorded this week, so please step up your efforts to ensure you all arrive at 8.45 am promptly, with the children ready for registration and learning by 9 am. Thank you!

Year Group	% Present
Nursery	94.4%
Reception	98.9%
Year 1	100.0%
Year 2	90.7%
Year 3	95.4%
Year 4	98.0%
Year 5	95.2%
Year 6	96.7%

Ofsted Report



This week we received our Ofsted report, following the recent inspection which took place on 10th and 11th October. The report was emailed out to parents on Wednesday evening, together with a covering letter, and it will be published on the Ofsted website on Tuesday 6th November 2018. Our overall grading is now 'Good' with outstanding features, matching our own self-evaluation. The inspection was rigorous and fair. We are delighted with the outstanding judgement for our Early Years provision, as well as our Personal development, Behaviour and Welfare.

In his covering letter, our Chair of Governors thanked all our staff, pupils and parents, for their continued hard work and support and a special thank you was expressed to all of you who made the time to either complete the online survey and/or speak to the inspectors.

Scholastic Bookfair

Books are available for purchase before and after school at the annual Scholastic bookfair. Please come and take a look. Every purchase benefits the school and the children, as well as encouraging them to read for pleasure; a skill they will always treasure and value.



Macmillan Coffee Morning – Wednesday 7th November 2018 from 9 – 10 am

We are sorry that this had to be postponed from today, due to a timetable clash. This should, however, give you all more time for baking! Please remember that any cakes and biscuits should be nut-free. Do bring along any contributions and come and support this event, at which Miss Tyler will speak about our latest Ofsted report.



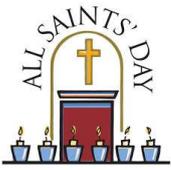
RE – ADOREMUS

We have received some absolutely amazing pieces of work from the children, even from our very youngest. Thank you for supporting them with this task and for helping them to develop a love and respect for the special presence of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.



If the children have not yet brought anything in, please take the weekend to help them and send something in on Monday. Ms Logue is looking forward to putting together a display of all the beautiful work in the next few weeks.

Mass for the Feast of All Saints



We were delighted to attend the church of Corpus Christi with our KS2 children yesterday, to commemorate the Feast of All Saints. Father Alan led us in a beautiful Mass and the children were praised for their excellent behaviour and responses. If you have not had a chance to visit the church since the extensive refurbishments, please do try to pop in to this 'hidden gem' in the heart of Covent Garden for a moment of quiet reflection and adoration. The changes are truly magnificent.

Pope Francis Tweet



This week the Pope reminded us of our call to holiness. We must not be afraid to seek God's face and to keep striving for holiness and praying to be more like Jesus every day:

We need smiling Christians, not because they take things lightly, but because they are filled with the joy of God, because they believe in love and live to serve.



Four Walls – Shopping List for Care Packs

Four Walls will be leading an assembly with the children on Monday 19th November. In the meantime, following the item in our previous newsletter, they have sent us the attached as a suggested 'shopping list' for the care packs we want to provide. Do take a look and perhaps start adding small items to your shopping list each week, as we approach the colder weather and the Christmas season.

Christmas Cards – There is still time!

If any of you had the opportunity to make a Christmas card during the half-term break, please bring it (or them) along to the office and we will hold on to them for sale at the Advent Fair. So far we have not received any, but there is still time! Hint: Make sure the size fits a standard envelope!



Any unsold cards can be included with the care packs and will bring some Christmas cheer to those who really need this.

Christmas Card Competition

We have received an invitation from Syed Kamall, one of the Members of European Parliament for London for our children to take part in an annual Christmas card competition. Each year, he sends his seasonal greetings to people and organisations across London and asks London's pupils to help him design the front cover of the card. As a thank you, the pupil of the winning design will receive a cheque for £100 to go towards their school.

The design can either be a landscape or portrait but should be submitted on A4 paper. We suggest including a London bus in your winter scene, although this is not compulsory, as Syed has a huge affection for the iconic London red bus.

To meet the deadline, entries must be received **by next Thursday 8th November**.



Poppy Appeal

Various items are available in the office for sale, in aid of the British Legion's annual Poppy Appeal. They include erasers, rulers, pencils, sharpeners, keyrings, which we are sure will be very popular with the children. Come and see for yourselves!



Advent Fair – Wednesday 12th December

This year's Advent Fair will take place on the afternoon of Wednesday 12th December. We will need volunteers to organise and run this event, so please come along to the coffee mornings as they are advertised. Thank you.

Christmas Decorations will be put up in the school hall on the afternoon of **Friday 30th November**.



After School Activities – Autumn 2

Clubs will begin next week and items are set up for payment on ParentPay. Please make sure that payment is made by the end of next week as, otherwise, the place will be forfeited and offered to the next child on the waiting list.

Due to low numbers, we will NOT be running the Spanish Club, unfortunately, as there has been no take up at all, although this had been requested by parents. There is also no KS2 Lego Club, for the same reason, and, similarly, the Puzzles / Brain Teaser Club has had to be cancelled due to low numbers as well.

Bloomsbury Football Association

Regarding the football club, if your child had a place at Bloomsbury FA last term, their place has been rolled over to this term. Training will happen on Thursdays at 4pm as usual. Please contact Bloomsbury to discuss payment for your child's place. Contact details for the Club are at: <https://bloomsburyfa.com/>

Red Book Awards - Congratulations to all children who were commended by their teachers and support staff for excellent work, effort or behaviour during last week:

Year Group	Writer of the week	Pupil of the week	Perfectly Presented	Playground
Reception	Amanda – for always showing an excellent attitude towards her writing and working enthusiastically on her Handa's Surprise work.	Bryan – for being a helpful class member at all times and showing a kind attitude.	Quincy	
Year 1	Betsy – for trying very hard to produce small and neat letters.	Hugo – for trying really hard to do the right thing and getting 10 stickers on his chart.	Anto	Danny
Year 2	Thahani - for developing her punctuation skills to include the use of commas- she has been trying really hard to separate her adjectives and list different things using them!	Anoushka - for amazing effort and concentration during our Nativity rehearsals.	Olivia	
Year 3	Jasmin for having such a positive attitude towards her literacy work and making sure she carefully edits her work.	Adonai for being extremely helpful and ensuring he is focusing on his own behaviour.	Laura	
Year 4	Skye for making a huge effort to improve her handwriting- her hard work is really paying off!	Nattie for starting the new term with an extremely positive attitude – keep it up!	Samuel	
Year 5	Olivia for extending her sentences to make her writing cohesive.	Mia for her positive attitude, particularly when working through maths investigations.	Stanley	
Year 6	Frankie – who created a beautiful piece of art work on the monstrance.	Archie – for working hard to learn his prayer for All Saints day mass. Well done Archie!	Angelo	

Reception and Nursery Admissions – Deadline is 15th January 2019

Parents of our current Nursery aged children can already apply for a Reception place for September 2019. This must be done online with the Local Authority and our own Supplementary Information Form is also required. Contact the office or visit the school website for details.

Children who will have their 4th birthday between 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020 can apply directly to the school for a Nursery place starting in September 2019. Information is on our website.

Dates and Events

Please check the dates in the table below, which are correct at the time of writing. Thank you.

Kind regards,

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Miss Helen Tyler
Headteacher

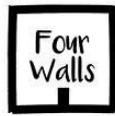
Autumn Term 2018	
Wednesday 7 th November 2018 at 9.00 am	Parents' Coffee Morning - Macmillan
Wednesday 7 th November 2018	Year 5 Visit to Keats House
Wednesday 7 th November 2018	EYFS WWF sponsored walk event
Wednesday 7 th November 2018 and Thursday 8 th November 2018	African Drumming Workshops
Friday 9 th November 2018	Year 3 and Year 5 Cinema Visit
Monday 12 th November 2018	Anti-Bullying Week
Wednesday 14 th November 2018	Year 3 Visit to Keats House
Thursday 15 th November 2018	Year 4 Visit to Keats House
Monday 19 th November 2018	Structured Conversations- Y6 and Nursery
Wednesday 21 st November 2018 at 9.00 am	Parents' Coffee Morning
Friday 23 rd November 2018	Structured Conversations- Y2 and Y3
Monday 26 th November 2018	Structured Conversations- Reception and Y5
Tuesday 27 th November 2018	Structured Conversations- Y6 and Nursery
Friday 30 th November 2018	Structured Conversations- Y1 and Y4
Monday 3 rd December 2018	Structured Conversations- Reception and Y5
Tuesday 4 th December 2018	Structured Conversations- Y1 and Y4
Thursday 6 th December 2018	Parents' Coffee Morning
Thursday 6 th December 2018	Structured Conversations- Y2 and Y3
Friday 7 th December 2018	Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day
Thursday 13 th December 2018 at 2.00 pm	Infant Nativity
Friday 14 th December 2018 at 10.00 am	Infant Nativity
Wednesday 19 th December 2018	Christmas Carol Concert at Corpus Christi
Tuesday 18 th December 2018	Christmas Lunch
Thursday 20 th December 2018	Class Parties and Own Clothes Day
Friday 21 st December 2018	Term ends @ 1.15 pm

Structured Conversations - IMPORTANT

Appointment lists will be available next week for parents to sign up for a Structured Conversation with their child's teacher. KS2 lists will be available on the table by the entrance to the school hall. Younger year groups will have the lists outside the classroom door.

Thank you.





FOUR WALLS HOW TO HELP SHOPPING LIST

Below are categories of items that are desperately needed by those sleeping rough. At the very minimum, if you picked up one of the items from each category it would only add **£4.20** onto your shopping!

DENTAL CARE

Tesco Toothbrush Medium/Family 2 Pack **50p**

Tesco Fresh Mint Toothpaste 100ml **50p**

Aqua Fresh Mint Toothpaste 75ml **80p**

Colgate Cavity Protection 75ml **80p**

DEODORANT

Tesco Men's Revive Body spray 150ml **70p**

Tesco Men's Adventure Antiperspirant Deodorant 200ml **80p**

Tesco Sensitive Antiperspirant Deodorant 200ml **80p**

Tesco Cotton Antiperspirant Deodorant 200ml **80p**

PERSONAL HYGIENE

BAR SOAP

Tesco Everyday Value Soap 125 g **25p**

Tesco Uplifting Bath Soap Lemon 4 x 125g **£1.20**

SHOWER GEL

Tesco Everyday Value Shower Gel 300ml **50p**

Tesco Standard Relaxing Shower Crème 500ml **85p**

Tesco Revitalising Sea Minerals Shower Gel 500ml **85p**

SANITARY ITEMS

Tesco Applicator Regular Tampons 20 Pack **95p**

Tesco Non Applicator Super Tampons 24 Pack **95p**

Tesco Ultra Super Wing Sanitary Towels 12 Pack **66p**

Tesco Ultra Regular Wing Sanitary Towels 14 Pack **66p**

RAZORS

Tesco Everyday Value Single Blade Disposable Razors 5 Pack **30p**

Tesco Men's Fixed Head Twin Blade Disposable Razors 10 Pack **£1**

BIC 1 Sensitive Disposable Razor 10'S **£1**

WET WIPES

Tesco Everyday Value Baby Wipes Fragrance Free **50p**

Tesco Loves Baby Ultra Soft Fragrance Free **60p**

DEODORANT

RAZORS

SANITARY ITEMS

SCARVES & GLOVES

SHOWER GEL

SOAP BARS

SOCKS

TOOTHPASTE

TOOTHBRUSHES

THERMAL HATS

UNDERWEAR

WET WIPES

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