

Headteacher: Miss Helen Tyler

**Dear Parents and Carers,
 Newsletter No. 21 – Summer Term**

Friday 10th May 2019

The last two weeks have really flown by and I can't believe we are now headed into SATs week for Year 6 and half-term is just around the corner. I'll begin with some reminders regarding SATs:

KS2 SATs – Monday 13th to Thursday 16th May

The children in Year 6 have been working very hard preparing for these tests next week, with Mr McEleney, Miss Bear and, more recently, Mrs Colson. I'm sure you will all join me in sending our Good Luck wishes and prayers to all involved. The tests will take place every morning from Monday through to Thursday and the children have been invited to arrive at school for an early morning **breakfast and prayers at 8 am**. Please do send them in nice and early so that they can have a calm and focused start to the day. We know they will do their very best. Father David will be joining us for prayers and a special blessing before the tests begin. The children have been gifted with a special 'holding cross' which we know they will treasure! Please can ALL KS3 PARENTS leave the building promptly after dropping off their children, so as to maintain a silent and calm atmosphere for Year 6. Thank you!



Once the tests are over, on Friday, we have planned a special treat for the Year 6 children, which is a visit to the **Nelson Mandela Exhibition** at Waterloo. A separate letter will go out today. Contributions both to the breakfast and the outing, should be made via ParentPay, either online or at a PayPoint store. If you need login details or a barcoded letter for cash payments, please ask at the office.

- SATs breakfast contribution £4.00
- Nelson Mandela next Friday £4.00
- PGL Any outstanding balances must be settled before half-term.

EASTER GARDEN & EASTER BONNETS

A slightly belated thanks to all who made such a great effort with Easter Gardens and Bonnets. We were overwhelmed with the beautiful garden contributions, which had clearly been created with love and care. Some of them remain on display, together with a few of the bonnets, along our ground floor corridor. Congratulations to the prize winners; it was so difficult to choose from so many lovely pieces of work. The gardens were such a great way to reflect on our Easter faith journey and we look forward to continuing this in the coming years.

RE HOMEWORK – due by Friday 24th May

As we are now in the month of May, which is dedicated to Our Lady, the whole school homework for these last two weeks of the half-term is for every child to write an illustrated prayer to Mary, in whichever way is age appropriate.

There will be a box in the entrance as usual, where work can be submitted. Please make sure your child's name and class is clearly labelled on every piece of work. Thank you.

ATTENDANCE

We recorded 37 late marks since the beginning of the Summer term, amounting to 511 minutes of lost learning time of over 8 hours in total for the children. This really is still too high, so please organise your morning routine so as to arrive at school **by 8.45 am**, which means everyone will be ready to start promptly at 9 am.

Miss Plivda will be meeting with the Education Welfare Officer to discuss attendance and punctuality and parents will be contacted wherever there is a concern or where we feel support is needed.

Year Group	% Present
Nursery	93.3%
Reception	93.7%
Year 1	96.2%
Year 2	95.6%
Year 3	96.0%
Year 4	94.5%
Year 5	95.7%
Year 6	96.1%



POPE FRANCIS TWEET

With the month of May in mind, the tweet we would like to share today from Pope Francis is:

“Virgin of the Holy Rosary, help us to be of one heart and one soul,
a holy people journeying toward our Heavenly home.”

CHILDREN'S MISSIO APPEAL

Following our Lenten appeal for Missio, we can report that this raised a total of **£190.35**. Thank you for your continued support for this important work.

NSPCC Workshops re Online Safety & Parent Workshop



Following the recent workshops, each class has organised a fundraising activity for the NSPCC and sponsorship forms and money has already been coming in. There are various events planned between now and half-term, including a 'superhero bounce-athon' for Reception, which sounds like a lot of fun, a 30 minute obstacle course for some of KS2 and a circuit of various exercises for Year 3. Good luck to everyone with these fundraising efforts and thank you, as ever, for your support.

'Buddy' and the NSPCC staff will be returning on 23rd May to collect the sponsorship and thank all the children. They are already looking forward to the visit.

BIG BATTERY HUNT

We are still collecting batteries for recycling, so please bring in any used batteries and drop them in to the bucket containers in the office or down at the front entrance.

MOBILE PHONES

Please note that mobile phones should only be brought in by children in Year 5 or Year 6 and these must be handed in to the class teacher for safe keeping on arrival, then collected at the end of the day. Only children with permission to walk home on their own (given on a form available from the office) need have a mobile with them. It appears that some of the younger KS2 children have been bringing in mobile phones; this is not allowed and is not a necessity. It can also lead to upset if they are lost and the school cannot take responsibility for such a loss. Thank you for your cooperation.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

We have noted a decline in school uniform standards and would remind you to check the policy on our school website and ensure that your children are complying with this. In particular they should be wearing school shoes rather than trainers, and school coats and bags should be plain and in school colours, with everything clearly named in case of loss.



SECOND HAND UNIFORM / LOST PROPERTY

Since we removed the large wooden lost property box from the hall, barely any lost items have been brought to the office and this has been the case since September last year. We do, however, have a number of items of donated school uniform which we would like to make available again to parents for a small donation. We plan to display these items outside **from 3 pm** on the last day of the half-term i.e. **Friday 24th May**. Any items left over will be disposed of, as our storage space here is so limited.

PACKED LUNCHES AND SCHOOL VISITS

As there has been a little confusion regarding packed lunches on days when a class will be out for lunch due to a trip of any kind, please note that the usual procedure will be that any child who usually has a school lunch will be provided with a school packed lunch by Caterlink.

SUMMER TERM DATES

A list of the main events for the remainder of the summer term follows. It will be updated as the weeks progress. Please keep an eye on further newsletters for any additions or revisions.

CONGRATULATIONS! ... to Miss Quirke, for successfully completing the London Marathon and raising funds for the CLPE (Centre for Literacy in Primary Education).



RAMADAN MUBARAK to our Muslim families!



INNER TEMPLE GARDEN EVENTS

We have been asked to let you know about a couple of events coming up in the local area – please see the information that follows. There is no cost to attending.

With every good wish for the weekend.

Kind regards,

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Miss Helen Tyler
Headteacher

SUMMER TERM 2019

Summer Term 2019	
Monday 13 th May to Thursday 16 th May 2019	Year 6 SATS
Wednesday 22 nd May 2019	Year 4 visit to Keats House
Thursday 23 rd May 2019	Year 3 visit to Keats House
Thursday 23 rd May 2019	NSPCC visiting classes to say “Thank you”
Thursday 23 rd May 2019	Year 1 visit to Natural History Museum
Friday 24 th May 2019 @ 3 pm	Donated school uniform on sale
Monday 27 th to Friday 31 st May	Half-term break
Wednesday 5 th June to Wednesday 12 th June 2019	BookFair
Thursday 6 th June 2019 @ 9 am	Parent Prayers & Coffee Morning
Thursday 6 th June 2019	Early Years workshops @ Foundling Museum
Monday 10 th June to Friday 15 th June 2019	EYFS Father’s Week
Wednesday 12 th June 2019	Year 5 and Year 6 visit to Keats House
Wednesday 13 th June 2019	Class Photographs
Tuesday 18 th June 2019	Adoremus Mass
w/c Monday 24 th June 2019	Judaism Week
Tuesday 25 th June 2019	Reception visit to Little Angel Theatre
Wednesday 26 th June 2019 pm	New Nursery Parent Welcome meeting
Thursday 27 th June 2019	Year 5 visiting Crick Institute
Friday 28 th June 2019 to Monday 1 st July	Year 6 PGL trip
Monday 1 st July 2019	Year 5 visiting St Anselm & St Cæcilia
Wednesday 3 rd July 2019	Year 4 visiting St Anselm & St Cæcilia
Wednesday 3 rd July 2019	Reception Class (2019/20) Parent Welcome meeting
Friday 5 th July 2019	Year 6 visiting St Anselm & St Cæcilia
Wednesday 10 th July 2019	Summer Concert
Monday 15 th July to Friday 19 th July 2019	Active Week
Wednesday 17 th July 2019	Sports Day
Wednesday 23 rd July 2019	Term ends at 1.15 pm
SUMMER BREAK	
Monday 2 nd September 2019	INSET Day – School closed to pupils
Tuesday 3 rd September 2019	Children return to school

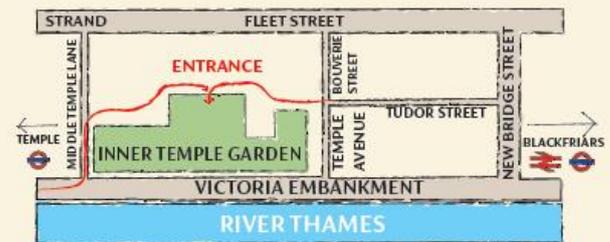


SUNDAY 19 MAY 1PM – 5PM
The Inner Temple Garden, EC4Y 7HL

Bring a picnic and enjoy this family day in the Inner Temple Garden!

FEATURING

- Tree climbing (booking tickets advised at www.bigtreeclimbing.co.uk)
- The Hobgoblin Theatre Company
- Live music
- Arts, crafts and activities



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‘ Once again, the Inner Temple Garden will be opening its historic gates for the Chelsea Fringe festival.

This year on Sunday 19 May 2019 the Garden will host a day of Tree Adventures and Magical Fairytales. This will be the first time visitors to the Garden will be able to ascend into one of the Inner Temple’s mature trees to experience the beauty of the tree from up above and gain unique aerial views of the garden and London skyline. This will be run by The Big Tree Climbing Company, the largest provider of recreational tree climbing in the country will be on site. There is a charge for this experience, the minimum age is 6 and pre-booking is advised at www.bigtreecompany.co.uk.

In the mid-afternoon, the Hobgoblin Theatre Company will be staging a performance of Hansel and Gretel on the lawns. This fun take on the classic fairytale which features the woodcutter’s children Hansel and Gretel who are left to fend for themselves in the forest and stumble across a house made of sweets. Set with the backdrop of the beautiful gardens, this production will entertain young and old.

Alongside the tree climbing and performance there will be arts, crafts and activities. For those wishing to get especially creative, multi-media artist Lou Smith (<https://capturedontherye.com/>) will be carrying out screen printing sessions (this activity has a fee). There will be also plenty of other free arts, crafts and games to entertain, in addition to live music to finish the merriment.

As always, picnics on the lawn are encouraged so please do bring a blanket and set up for the day. Entry to the Garden is free. ‘

