



Dear Parents and Carers,

I can't believe how much we have managed to squash into this week! On Monday, the Year 1 children enjoyed a 'Happily Ever After Day' as part of their learning about Castles. Betsy in 1JC writes: 'I dressed up like Princess Diana. We did fun things. I enjoyed making a castle and baking.' Teddie in 1JC writes: 'I loved doing the baking and eating the fine cakes. It was fun making the castles. I dressed up as a king.' Anna in 1WH writes: 'On Monday we dressed up as princesses and knights. We made castles and biscuits and a dragon. It was great.' Emmanuel in 1WH writes: 'On Monday, we learnt a new dance for our Happily Ever After Day. I dressed up as a prince. We all had a fun day.' Thank you so much to the Year 1 team for organising this.



On Wednesday, the choir had a fantastic experience – we travelled up to the O2 arena to join with over 9000 children to take part in the Young Voices event. Gracie and Natalia in 6PM write: 'The choir went to the O2! We had an amazing time. It was a long and tiring day, but it was all worth it. As well as lots of singers, there were some amazing dancers called Urban Strides. I liked it when MC Grammar played, his music was really fun. The O2 was an amazing experience – it was a once in a lifetime opportunity! Many thanks to Mrs Jones and Mrs Smith for their hard work to make this trip happen!



Year 6 have been learning about the Windrush generation as part of their literacy work this term. On Thursday, they invited Tobias Ellwood in to school. Sam and Evie write: 'Today our local MP, Tobias Ellwood, came into our school to hear our poems and diary entries based on the book that we were reading (Windrush Child, by Benjamin Zephaniah). We also asked him questions about what it is like to be a Member of Parliament, for example, 'What year were you elected to be an MP?', to which he answered, 'I was elected in 2005'. It was a great opportunity to meet a man like Tobias Ellwood, where we learnt about his ups and downs to lead to where he is today. It was a pleasure to meet him'. Thank you, Mr Browne for organising this event.



And today we celebrated Number Day, with lots of great maths activities! Thanks to Miss Wood for organising this, and to you for sending your children in with their number-related mufti – we will make sure there are some photos on the website.

### Parents' Evening

We are looking forward to seeing you next week for parents 'evening – online on Wednesday or in person on Thursday. Please don't forget that appointments are ten minutes long – please do not run over your allocated time as it is not fair to other parents or to the staff. If you are coming in to school on Thursday, please remember that children are not allowed to come in to the classroom or online to speak to the teacher – this appointment is for parents and carers only. If you do need to bring your child into school for your face to face appointment, you will need to make it clear to them that they must sit with you outside the classroom, and wait quietly while you are in your appointment – they must not wander around the school. Thank you in advance.

### Super Learning in RE!

Well done to Luna, in 2NW for some fantastic RE work this week. Her class were learning about the parable of the sower. The children were asked to give advice to a friend about how to move to the 'good soil'. This is Luna's advice.

*'Dear friend, you have fallen on the path. You need to move to the good soil and I'm going to help you with some of my own ideas and some of Jesus' stories. You have to move to the good soil by believing in God like the only man with leprosy who came back to Jesus, or like the paralysed man. You can go to church to learn about and believe in God. You have lots of places to listen to God's word. I hope you do what I said. Love, Luna.'* Great advice Luna, thank you so much!

### House Point Winners

Well done to the children in St Anne's house and St Joseph's who have won the house point challenge this half term! They can wear mufti (with something blue or yellow) on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February.

### Mission Statement hero and Stars of the Week

Our Mission Statement heroes this week are Simeon and Anna, who saw God revealed in the baby Jesus. Today is the feast of the Presentation of Jesus, also known as Candlemas, reminding us that Jesus is the Light of the World.

Well done to all our Stars of the week:

### Super Role Model:

RP: Jayden, RJ: Kit; 1JC: Bethel; 1WH: James C-H; 2NW: Luna; 2ML: Felicity; 3BM: Alfie; 3NL: Leonardo; 4CY: Evanna; 4CR: Hannah; 5JC: Eliza; 5RH: Bella; 6KB: Alex; 6PM: Harry.

### Learning Champion:

RP: Nina; RJ: Harry; 1JC: Jamie; 1WH: Sylvie; 2NW: Iara; 2ML: Eleanor; 3BM: Max B; 3NL: Lucas; 4CY: Leo C; 4CR: Alexsia; 5JC: Stanley; 5RH: Rosie; 6KB: Sienna; 6PM: Ted

### Dates for your diary:

Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> Feb	All day	Year 2 - Great Fire of London
Wed 7 <sup>th</sup> Feb	3.30pm-7.00pm	Parents' Evening -online
Thurs 8 <sup>th</sup> Feb	3.30pm-7.00pm	Parents' Evening – face to face
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> Feb	2.50pm	End of Half Term
Mon 19 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Pm	Year 6 Swimming Lessons Start

Wishing you a lovely weekend with your family,

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