



## Weekly Newsletter

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2017



### Head of School's Message:

I was so impressed with the children last week. Even though it was really hot, the children were calm and settled and did some beautiful learning in and out of class. This week looks set to be cooler which will be a welcome relief.

There are plenty of exciting events taking place this week. First of all, we welcome the iSing POP project for KS2 (Y3, 4, 5 and 6). iSing POP helps to promote the spiritual, moral, cultural and social development of pupils and their place in the community. They will be learning and performing a number of special songs with actions, which support our school values as well as the children's learning in a range of subjects including Music, RE and Citizenship. On Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2017, the children will be recorded so that we can create a school album with help from the iSing POP team. On Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July, there will be a concert in St Mary's Church, where you can enjoy the fruits of the children's efforts and learn more about iSing POP. However, before we get to that stage, the children have plenty of rehearsal times scheduled this week. We wish all the KS2 children a very successful week and look forward to hearing the songs in the final production.

Year 6 have a busy week indeed as some children are taking their cycle proficiency tests. We have a team of cyclists coming in this week to teach the children how to cycle safely on the roads. Hopefully we will have lots of confident cyclist by the end of the week.

I would like to wish everyone a peaceful and wonderful summer week.

**Faye Rider**  
**Head of School**

### Class Corner

In 2 Morris, we have been learning about the exciting lives of Florence Nightingale, Mary Seacole and other significant females in history. We have been investigating the importance of such figures and ensuring that their stories of bravery and heroism continue to be told. We thoroughly enjoyed turning our classroom into Scutari Hospital, dressing up as injured soldiers or nurses and using drama to explain the problems which Florence Nightingale faced and how she overcome them! Can you believe the hospital was swarmed with rats and disease? How disgusting that was!

To bring our design and technology learning to life, we stepped back in time again and became Mary Seacole from the Crimean War. We used our chopping, cutting, measuring and pouring skills to create a herbal medicine that could be given to war soldiers. When our medicine was ready we took our product to market by creating a brand and designing a label to make our product appealing to customers. Allan Sugar would have been proud of 2 Morris' designs!

This week, we have been creating baskets using origami, strengthening them to ensure they are strong enough to carry our medicines and finally using paper weaving to add decoration. Do you like our designs?



**Miss McCormick and 2 Morris**

### Stars of the Week

Our Stars of the Week for last week were:

6A: Ciara and Nathan  
5A: Ainsley and Damali  
5M: Corey and Deborah  
5W: Freya and Daniella  
4A: Evie- Skye and Grace  
4M: Phoenix and Theo  
4W: Joshua and Christian  
3A: Susan and Sophia  
3M: Holly and Lucia  
3W: Jonny and Alfie  
2A: Martha and  
2M: Julia and Eden  
2W: Beth and Malachi  
1A: Marcus and Flynn  
1M: Sophia and Alfie  
1W: Archie and Diana



Well done everyone

### **Whole School Attendance**

The whole school attendance target is 96.5%. We met our target last week, achieving 97.26%. Our overall attendance figure for the academic year to date is 96.8%.

### **Attendance Winner**

Well done to 4 Morris and 5 Attlee who both had a perfect attendance record last week. Everyone was here every single day. Great achievement!

### **Punctuality Awards**

Well done to 2Attlee and Reception Wilson who were all exceptionally punctual last week and everyone was here on time every day. Being punctual is a good life lesson and good habits formed when young will stay with us forever. Punctuality is so important for your child's education.

Don't forget, 5 minutes late each day = 3 days lost!

10 minutes late = 6 days lost!

15 minutes late = 9 days lost!

20 minutes late = 12 days lost!,

and 30 minutes late = 18 days lost!

We know that every minute counts so please try to get here on time every day for the remaining 23 days of this term.



### **Parent Prayer Group**

Another lovely gathering at our Parent Prayer Group last week. It would be lovely if you could hope that you will be able to join us for our next meeting at 9.05am on Wednesday, 28th June. Full list of dates are outlined below.

### **Sports Day**

We are delighted to announce that we have once again been able to secure the cricket ground in Greenway Avenue for our Sports Day. This will take place on 13<sup>th</sup> July – KS1 in the morning and KS2 in the afternoon.

### **Ice Lolly Sale**

To take advantage of the beautiful weather, and to try and cool down after a long hot day at school, we are going to be selling ice lollies after school every day whilst the sun shines! Lollies are 50p each and will be available to buy in the playground straight after school.



### **Non Uniform Day**

You should have received a letter by e-mail advising of our Non Uniform day this Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> June. Please could you send your child with a donation of at least £1 if you can. All proceeds to the Grenfell Tower Appeal.

### **iSingPOP**

You will have received by e-mail a letter outlining KS2 participation in an iSigPOP project, which culminates in a concert at St Mary's Church on 4<sup>th</sup> July. The concert starts at 2.20pm and everyone is welcome. We will need parent helpers to walk us to and from the church. If you can help, we will leave at 1.30pm and leave church again at 3pm. Please let your child's class teacher know of your availability to help. Many thanks.

### **Summer Fair**

Not long to go now ..... Help is desperately needed for our forthcoming summer fair. Please contact a member of the PFA if you can help. Full details are in the PFA newsletter which we send home every week.

### **SHINE Summer Term**

After another very successful year, we have one final session of SHINE, this Saturday, when we will be holding our annual sports day. Please ensure your child has a hat, sun cream if necessary, and plenty to drink!

### **SUMMER TERM**

**Venue: St Saviour's  
9.00am – 2.00pm**

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> July

### **Group Photos**

If you would like to order a group photo, please remember to return your proof by this **THIS FRIDAY – 30<sup>TH</sup> JUNE**. Any proofs received after this date will have to be sent by you individually and will incur a £3.95 late fee. If you prefer to order on line to have the pictures delivered straight to your home you can of course do that, but your pictures will incur a delivery charge.

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## ***Key dates and times for the Spring Term 2017***

<b><i>w/c Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June</i></b>	<b><i>Year 6 Bikeability Course</i></b>
<b><i>Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> June</i></b>	<b><i>9.05 - Parent Prayer Group 3.45 – Meeting for Parents Years 2 to 6 regarding RSE</i></b>
<b><i>Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June</i></b>	<b><i>Non-Uniform day in aid of Grenfell Tower Appeal</i></b>
<b><i>1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> July</i></b>	<b><i>PFA Camping Trip</i></b>
<b><i>Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July</i></b>	<b><i>2.20pm KS2 I Sing Pop concert in St Mary's Church</i></b>
<b><i>Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July</i></b>	<b><i>9.05 – 5M Class Assembly</i></b>
<b><i>Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July</i></b>	<b><i>New Reception Parents Meeting 9.45 Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 in Church – Leavers' Service</i></b>
<b><i>Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July</i></b>	<b><i>9.05 – Parent Prayer Group 9.45 Reception, Years 1, 2 and 6 in Church – Leavers' Service</i></b>
<b><i>Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> July</i></b>	<b><i>9.05 – 3M Class Assembly Sports Day at Walthamstow Cricket Club – KS1 in the morning, KS2 afternoon – letter to follow</i></b>
<b><i>Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July</i></b>	<b><i>Year 4, 5 and 6 End of Year Disco</i></b>
<b><i>Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> July</i></b>	<b><i>Summer Fair – further details have been contained in the PFA Newsletter</i></b>
<b><i>Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July</i></b>	<b><i>Last day of term. School finishes at 2pm.</i></b>

### **Summer Term 2017 - Second Half (33 Days)**

Start - Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2017 and End -Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2017 at 2pm

### **Term Dates 2017-2018**

### **Autumn Term 2017 - First Half (32 Days)**

**INSET – Friday 1st September, Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2017, Tuesday 5th September 2017**

Start – Wednesday 6th September 2017

End – Thursday 19th October 2017

**INSET – Friday 20th October 2017**

**Half Term:** Monday 23rd October 2017 - Friday 27th October 2017

### **Second Half (38 Days)**

Start – Monday 30th October 2017

End – Wednesday 20th December 2017

Holidays: Thursday 21st December 2017 to Tuesday 2nd January 2018

### **Spring Term 2018 - First Half (26 Days)**

**INSET – Wednesday 3rd January 2018**

Start – Thursday 4th January 2018

End - Friday 9th February 2018

**Half Term:** Monday 12th February 2017 - Friday 16th February 2018

### **Second Half (29 Days)**

Start - Monday 19th February 2018

End – Thursday 29th March 2018

Holidays: Friday 30th March to Friday 13th April 2018

### **Summer Term 2018 - First Half (30 Days)**

Start - Monday 16th April 2018

End - Friday 25th May 2018

**Half Term:** Monday 28th May 2018 - Friday 1st June 2018

Holidays May Day Bank Holiday: Monday 7th May 2018

Spring Bank Holiday: Monday 28th May 2018 (during Half Term)

### **Second Half (35 Days)**

Start - Monday 4th June 2018

End – Friday 20th July 2018

This calendar gives a total of 195 days (190 pupil days plus 5 inset days).