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Dear Parents & Carers 5/12/2025

Please see important dates and information below for the coming weeks.

Autumn Term 2

Important dates:

Date	Event
8/12/25	Christmas Shop for children
10/12/25	EYFS Christmas craft workshop with parents - 2pm
11/12/25	School Christmas Dinner
	Save the children Christmas jumper day - £1 donation via the <u>link</u>
12/12/25	Christmas fate - 2.30pm start
16/12/25	Christmas play Y1/Y2 - 2pm
18/12/25	Carol service Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6 - 9am and 3.45pm
19/12/25	Last day of term
5/1/26	First day of Spring term
7/1/26	Parent Forum meeting at 2.30pm

Don't forget to access your **child's home learning weekly via the school website**, or click <u>here</u>!

2025/2026 Term dates have been added to our school website here.

Please see the Autumn Term Curriculum Mats here.

Please see the Autumn Term Munch Time Menu via our school website, here.

Reception Starters - September 2026

If your child was born between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022 they are due to start primary school in September 2026.

Applications for starting primary or junior school in September 2026 opens on 15 November 2025 and closes on 15 January 2026.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS - JANUARY 15TH 2026

12th December - Christmas Fayre



The Christmas Fayre will begin at 2.30pm to allow for a more staggered start. You are welcome to collect your child from their classroom at this time to go to the Fayre. Children will not be allowed to leave class before 3.15pm unless collected by their parent / carer. If you are unable to attend earlier, children will remain in their classroom with their class teacher until 3.15pm and dismissed as usual.

Friday 5th, Thursday 11th and Friday 19th December - Christmas jumper days

On **Thursday 11th December** we are taking part in the Save the children national Christmas jumper day. Please make your donation via the link below. Please do <u>NOT</u> bring cash donations into school.

Donate online to 'Save the Children' here!

We would also like to thank you for your kind bottle donations on Friday!

7th January - Parent forum

This will be an open meeting where anyone is welcome to attend. In this meeting we will endeavour to identify a representative for each year group. Our agenda for this initial meeting will include a review of our new class structures, setting up a working party for toilet improvements and inclusion.

Residentials 2026 - Updates

All deposits for the below residentials are now past due. If you haven't paid the deposit yet, please login to Eduspot/SchoolMoney to secure your childs spot. Instalment plans are in place, and the dates are detailed in the email you would have received. If you have any questions or financial concerns around the payments, please contact the school office.

Y4 Rock & Rapid Residential
Y5 London Residential
Y6 St Georges House Residential



PTFA Events for Christmas

Tea Towels available and the Perfect stocking filler for all the family

Or memory box item

Or just for general tea towel use

Now available to purchase on Eduspot/SchoolMoney for just £5

We love the portraits and hope you do too [

Christmas Shop - This will take place this Monday, 8th December. We hope you enjoy the gifts your children pick. No peeking until Christmas Day!

Christmas Jumper Day on Friday 5^{th} December - Thank you for your donations of bottles for the bottle tombola.

Christmas Fayre on Friday 12th December 2.30pm onwards - Please see the arrangements for this detailed above in the newsletter.

We have had lots of raffle tickets returned, thank you so much for your support!

Thank you also for the donations of wrapping paper and for the donations of Christmas jumpers and fancy dress...if you still wish to donate anything, please bring into school by Thursday 11th December.

The Wreath Making Workshop on 4th Dec was a success! Thank you to those who attended, we hope you enjoyed the evening!

Thank you for your support as always.

We would like to thank the PTFA for all their hard work during this busy Christmas period and for organising these wonderful festive events for the children.

SEND News

Please see our 'SEND-Parents info & Workshops' page on the school website here to access more information about SEND training and workshops that may be of interest to you.

Please note we have not worked with this company for SEND training but wanted to share information for parents in case they would like to participate independently.

Mrs Donna Clark - SENDCo

First day of Spring term - Monday 5th January.

Just a reminder that we return to school for the start of the Spring term on **Monday 5^{th} January**.

Have a great weekend!