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Excellence with Compassion

Dear Parents and Carers,

Christmas jumper day

It was lovely to see a room full of brightly coloured jumpers on Thursday. We managed to raise £104.75 for Save the Children. Thank you for all of your donations!

Parent Session:

MIND supporting your child with sleep. This is a topic which children have often said that they need help with and is something that came up in our children's wellbeing survey last year. We have had 'sleep' workshops over the previous year for different classes and now have arranged a workshop for parents to support their child with sleep. Please do come along to the computer room from 9am – 10am to find out more.



Sketch Appeal at Pimlico Library – 4 January 2024

Sketch Appeal will be at Pimlico Library on Thursday 4 January providing an art workshop from 10.30-2.30. It will be lots of fun for budding artists, exploring creativity and imagination. Lunch will be provided for all children on Free School Meals who meet the qualifying criteria. Further details can be found on the OUR CITY website here: [Sketch Appeal @ Pimlico Library \(ourcity.org.uk\)](http://Sketch Appeal @ Pimlico Library (ourcity.org.uk))

Nativity

We have our dress rehearsal this week, ready for the final performance at 9.30am on Tuesday 19th December. All welcome! Do come along

Christmas Dinner

Our Christmas Lunch is on Tuesday 19th December. If your child is packed lunch and you would like them to have a Christmas dinner on that day, please do let the office know.

Open Afternoon

On Wednesday 20th December we have an open afternoon. Between 3.30-4.15pm, parents are welcome to visit their child's classroom and look at their books with their child. This has always been a lovely opportunity for children to proudly share the work they have been doing with their parents and carers. This is different from a parents evening, where parents meet with teachers to discuss their child's progress. We ask that parents use this time to look at their child's work with their child. If you



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have any concerns or want to discuss your child's progress with the teacher, please arrange this for another time.

After School Care and Breakfast Club

This is the last week of availability for After School Care. All children will need to be collected at 3.30pm next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. School finishes at 2.30pm on Thursday 21st December. Breakfast Club is still available until the end of term.

Attendance: We ask that you do not book holidays in term time. Our holiday dates for this year and next year are on the website. We are aiming for a whole school attendance of 97% and have a little way to go yet.

Class with highest attendance last week was: Year 5 with 95.71% Well done Year 5!

Whole school attendance is: 94.87%. We are starting to slip a little, let's see if we can get a bit better before Christmas and head towards 97% !

Dates coming up:	
December	January 2024
Wed 13th Yr 5 and choir to Tri-borough music hub concert	Mon 8th 9am – Children return to school
Tues 19th Christmas lunch and Nativity	
Wed 20th: open afternoon for parents to see books	
Thurs 21st: 2.30pm School breaks up for Christmas holiday	



Parents' Notice Board Including invitations for parents

Events coming up.....

- **Duolingo:** don't forget if you want to improve spoken and written English FOR FREE and would like to learn at your own pace, please contact Mr Baker
- **Every Thursday morning:** 9.10-9.40 (approx.) Family assembly in the Great Hall – all welcome!
- **Wednesday 13th December:** 9-10am parent coffee morning on helping your child to sleep
- **Tuesday 19th December:** 9.30am nativity performance (PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE FROM 12TH DEC)
- **Wednesday 20th December:** 3.45-4.30 open afternoon – a chance to see your child's classroom and books
- **Tuesday 9th January 2024:** 3.30-4.30 Yr 5 and yr 6 parents' relationships and sex education meeting
- **Wednesday 31st January** 9-10am Supporting your child with early reading
- **Wednesday 7th February** 9-10am Parents E-safety session with Purple mash

Awards:

Star of the Week: Nikolina **Class of the Week:** Class 3 **Top Table:** Brooke and Michael
House of the Week: Our Lady

Mentions	Caroline and Lily	Rumaysah and Alion	Samarrah and Summer	Mehmet and Poppy E	Hadi and Mobeen	Mohamad and Rayyan	Modar and Dina
Courtesy	Chiara and Eldana	Alion and Jeje	Zakir and Anishkaa	Poppy S and Jumayna	Joseph and Ayan	Mohamad and Shreya	Joud and Lydia

With very best wishes
Rebecca Anson
Headteacher