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Excellence with Compassion

Dear parents and carers,

St Gabriel's Orchard.

Last week we welcomed Lewis from the Orchard Project. They are the organisation who have helped us to develop our lovely new orchard space to the side of our building. The Orchard Project have donated 2 wonderful new apple trees, and last week Mr Nunn and Lewis planted the new trees with the help of some of our year 5 students. We are looking forward to seeing some new apples soon!!!

Black and Blue Project

Last week, Year 6 were visited by Peter Daniel, as part of the Black and Blue topic. This is an anti-racist project and is helping Year 6 to understand more about the impact of racism and discrimination.

Year 1 Visit the Westminster School's Planetarium

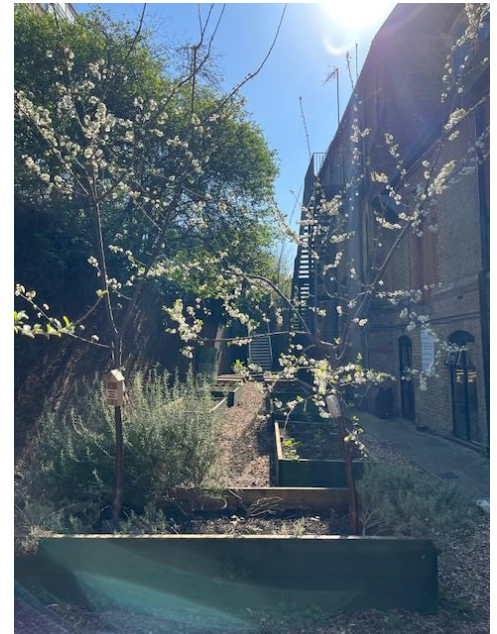
On Thursday Year 1 visited Westminster School and had a lovely time learning more about the stars!

Meningitis Outbreak in Kent

You may have seen a lot of coverage on the news regarding a recent outbreak of meningitis on a student campus in Kent.

Schools in Westminster have been advised that there is currently no action that schools and early years settings in London are being asked to take.

Families should continue to come forward as standard for their normal



What are the symptoms of meningitis?

Early symptoms – such as vomiting, fever, aches, muscle pain, cold hands and feet and headaches – can look similar to common illnesses like colds or flu. But someone with meningitis or septicaemia will usually become seriously ill in a matter of hours. That's why it's crucial to keep checking on anyone who is unwell.

Symptoms can appear in any order and some may not happen at all. For meningitis, common signs and symptoms include:

- fever
- a very bad headache (this alone is not a reason to get medical help)
- vomiting
- stiff neck
- dislike of bright lights
- rash
- confusion, delirium
- severe sleepiness, losing consciousness
- fits



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routine vaccinations.

Information on vaccinations can be found here [Meningitis - Vaccination - NHS](#)

Vaccinations offer some protection against certain causes of meningitis but not all.

It is therefore always recommended that everyone:

- Knows the signs and symptoms of Meningococcal disease and knows how to protect themselves and others.
- Check that they are up to date with all their routine vaccinations

Further information on meningococcal disease is available from:

- The NHS: <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/meningitis/>
- [What is meningitis? Symptoms, risks and how to protect yourself – UK Health Security Agency](#)

Coming Up:

- **Thursday 26th School Disco** – all the tickets are now sold. If your child wants to go, but does not have a ticket, they can be added to the waiting list. Due to health and safety we can only have a limited number attending. All children must have an adult attending with them. Class teachers have allocated time before the end of the day for pupils to get changed if they wish, so feel free to bring your best disco outfit!
- **Easter Bonnets** – On Friday children are invited to bring in an Easter Bonnet they have made themselves. Completed bonnets should be brought to school by Friday 27th March 2026. We will showcase the Easter bonnets during our Friday morning assembly. Prizes will be awarded for creativity, originality and effort. This assembly will not be open to parents, but children can start to showcase their bonnets in the playground in the morning, so parents and carers can see them! Please note, designs must be original and not store bought. This is an optional activity and students do not have to participate, so please do not feel any pressure.
- **Partnership for neurodiversity in schools (PINS) Coffee morning for parents** – please see the poster for more details:



Attendance:

Congratulations to Class 6 with 96.67% attendance, making them the best class for attendance over the previous week.

Dates coming up:

March 2026	April 2026
Tues 24 th Yr 3 Bikeability	Mon 13 th School starts back for Summer Term
Wed 25 th Yr 6 to the library	Tue 14: 1.30pm Yr 5 & Yr 6 online safety session
Wed 25 th Yr 4 taking part in PMF concert at Pimlico Academy 6.15-7.15pm	Thurs 16 th : Dance club showing their dance in family assembly
Thurs 26 th : yr 6 to Kensington Library for Black and Blue Project	Fri 17 th : Yr 3 to Garrison Chapel
Thurs 26 th : Green school workshop Class 5, School Disco, Full Governing Body Meeting.	Mon 20: Yr 5 Bikeability
Fri 27 th : last day of term – school finishes at 2.30pm	Tur 21: Yr 2 to Garrison Chapel
	Thur 23 rd : Yr 3 to Planetarium
	Mon 4th May Bank Holiday – School closed

Awards

Star of the Week: Isobel Class of the week: Class 1

Mentions	Luanah and Elliot	Kayla and Darcy	Mila and Mohamed A	Brooke and Teddy	Kenzie and George O	Poppy E and Ridwan	Bora and Oscar

Have a lovely week!

Rebecca Anson
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