



P.P.S. NEWSLETTER

Inspire, nurture, challenge.

James 3:6 'And the tongue is a fire, a world of unrighteousness.'

20th December 2017
Autumn Term No.13

Dear Parents/Carers,

The last week has been a very busy week and we would like to thank everyone for their continued support. On Monday our Year One children were invited to a Christmas party by Lord and Lady Egremont. Tuesday and Wednesday our Early Years and Key Stage One children wowed the audiences with their Nativity story A Magical Christmas Journey. On Thursday our Key Stage Two children went to the theatre to watch the pantomime Jack and the Beanstalk, which we are grateful to our PPSA for assisting with the funding. On Friday was the Chartwells Christmas dinner, where every member of staff was in the hall helping serve all of the hot meals.

As the festive period approaches we look back at an exceptionally busy term. This term our new children in Early Years started with us and settled in incredibly well, our year 6 children had their Isle of Wight residential visit, 75th anniversary of the Boys School bombing, museum week, Key Stage Two sleepover, a variety of sporting events, Forest School, Christmas Fair, a variety of trips including Marwell Zoo, British Museum and every child explored Petworth. The children have participated in our Harvest Festival and the Eucharist with Father Mark and yesterday the whole school visited St. Mary's Church for our Carol Service.

We have also seen the children developing their skills across the curriculum, which all of the above activities have helped inspire, nurture and challenge the children.

The Spring Term is promising to be just as busy with visits organised, which include year 5 children visiting our link school in Streatham; Year Six children visiting Sky Skills Studio and Year Three children visiting Portsmouth Historic Dockyards. We have also arranged a variety of sporting events, an exciting Science Week and many other activities, which will inspire our children.

Next term, we also have some staff changes. We welcome Mr Parsons, who will be teaching three days in Elm Class and Mrs Blackmore, who will be teaching Rowan Explorers. Also Mrs Ashton-Smith will be our new Forest School lead.

All staff and governors would like to wish everyone a very happy festive period and a prosperous New Year.

A Magical Christmas Journey

Oak, Ash and Rowan performed The Magical Christmas Journey, which told the story of 4 children who went back in time to find a star for their talking Christmas tree. They met some abaaaandoned sheep along the way and Mr Galvin (with his crazy grey hair and beard) was very pleased that they made it back in time for assembly! The whole Key Stage performed beautifully and their voices were loud and clear for all to hear!





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St Mary's Church Petworth Nativity Scenes

Nativity scenes from our school, local churches and other groups will be on display in St Thomas's Chapel, St Mary's Church from the 15th December to 5th January. If you get the opportunity over the holidays, please go along and have a look at the wonderful scenes.

Royal British Legion Donation

We collected an amazing £107.14 in the Poppy Appeal collection tin this year which when added to our donation from the sleepover makes a grand total of £301.84 the school has donated to the Poppy Appeal this year.

The Giving Tree



Yet another thank you to everyone who has most generously given a gift (or gifts) for the children of Nagyberg. The response has been amazing again this year, Mrs Fogden has never seen so many presents under the tree and I know that all these gifts will be gratefully received by the children.

Thank You

Thank you for your continued support this term and also for the gifts generously brought in for myself and the staff.

Hobgoblin Theatre

Oak, Ash and Rowan Class were visited on Friday 8th December by the Hobgoblin Theatre who put on a performance of 'The Greatest Fairytale Ever'. The children had an enjoyable morning.





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Children's Work Maple Class

Tear thief spotted!



By Layla Smith

The other night there was a robbery! People were asking what they should do but this robbery was a peculiar one. It wasn't a theft of jewels or toys or food. The things that got stolen were tears! Yes tears!

The robber is known as the Tear Thief. If you don't think this is factual then you're wrong. We get these facts from an eye witness. You won't believe it but the eye witness was a little girl who was looking for her dog under a lamppost. She was shivering because she was cold.

The Tear Thief has stolen all kinds of different tears but they were not ordinary. Tears of rage were ruby red, tears of envy were emerald green, tears of self-pity were turquoise scared tears were moonstone white and guilty tears were traffic light amber.

She stole the tears from a crying baby having her nappy changed. Tears from a boy who did not want to be shampooed. She stole 70 pear shaped tears from a girl who had a craving for chocolate. A pearl tear from a boy who trapped his finger in a flute. An amber tear from a boy who had told a lie about a hole in his trousers. The last child was our eye witness... The little girl.

So beware as she has not been caught! She might strike again,! She might never stop! So consider my advice and beware, close your doors and windows at night!

Inset Days 2017/2018

9th February 2018

4th June 2018

Dates for your Diary 2017/2018

Thurs 30 Nov Rowan Class Forest School 5 weeks until 18th January 2018

Wed 20 Dec **END OF AUTUMN TERM**

Thurs 21-3 Jan **School Holidays**

Thurs 4 Jan **START OF SPRING TERM**

Thurs 11 Jan Elm Class visit to Christ Church Streatham CofE Primary School

Fri 12 Jan Sama Karate Club Starts

Fri 19 Jan Kids Club Xtra (details to follow)

