

# End of Term News

## School news Update

Our church school creates a firm foundation where together, with God's help and with the help of others, we learn for life, achieve our best and grow in faith.

#### Last Day of Term!

I cannot believe that it has been an entire year since I sat to write the farewell message in the last end of year newsletter!

We have had such a busy year with so much to celebrate, not least our church school inspection which graded us as 'excellent' in every area. This is an accolade only afforded to a handful of schools and something that we continue to be incredibly proud of. We are also incredibly proud of the children this year – so many have made excellent progress and have pushed themselves to be the very best that they can be. Our school values remain an integral part of our school life and I am always so delighted to see these values being lived out by the children; they show respect, compassion and hope along with so many other values.

We always have mixed emotions as we say goodbye to our lovely Year 6 children – they are all ready for Year 7 and we wish them all the very best in the next stage of their exciting academic journey. Every single one of them should be so proud of the delightful young people that they have grown in to. They go with the love and blessings of the whole school community.

Also, as a small school we rely heavily on so many willing parents and members of the school community. Please know that your support makes such a difference to us and to the children – thank you!

Lastly, I feel so lucky to work alongside so many amazing staff who are truly dedicated to their roles – thank you!

I hope you all have a safe and sunny summer break and I look forward to seeing you all in September.

Mrs Matthews

#### Goodbyes

As well as saying goodbye to Year 6, we also have to say a sad goodbye to Oliver in Year 4 and his family. We wish you all the very best in your new adventure in Belgium.



#### Careers fair

Thank you to all parents who volunteered to come along and take part in last week's Careers Fair. It was a huge success with the children learning so much about the world of work and roles which many of them had never heard of! You were all inspirational in what you shared so thank you for giving up your time.







#### Great Ormond Street fundraising – Peter Pan



As part of the KS2 production, the children learnt about J.M. Barry who wrote the original story of Peter Pan. The novel and the play were extremely successful. In 1929, he gave the royalties for Peter Pan to G.O.S.H. Since then, and to this day, money raised from Peter Pan goes to support the wonderful work of Great Ormond Street Hospital. The children decided to raise money for this charity too. So far we have raised an amazing £555, either online or

through cash donations. Thank you to everyone who has already donated. If you still wish to donate then please use the link <u>here</u> to access the justgiving page.

#### QR peter pan photos



If you have not ordered your photos from the production and still wish to do so please click on the QR code for access. Password - wendyhouse

A big thank you to Mr Stevens who took some stunning photographs. He has also agreed that all profits raised from the sale of photographs will be donated to STARS.

#### Token Reward – Water fun (and Ice Lolly treat1)

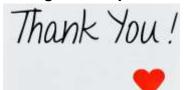






The children all enjoyed the opportunity to join in with the winning token reward of Water Fun!! There was a lot of giggling, laughing and smiles finished off with an ice-lolly treat!

### A huge thank you



Once again, staff have been so overwhelmed by the generosity of parents; both in their gifts as well as in your words in the cards and emails which you have shared. Every single member of staff has been touched and wished me to share a heartfelt **THANK YOU** to every single family.

#### Year 6 leaver parent questionnaire

Please, please do fill in the parent questionnaire if your child is leaving us! It is really helpful to capture your views. The link has been sent home via email.

#### **Autumn Term 2023**

School re-opens for children on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September – we look forward to seeing you all then – Happy Holidays!



#### <u>Dairy Dates Autumn 2023</u>

#### All new dates are added in bold and italic

Date	Event
1st September	Training day – school closed
4 <sup>th</sup> September	Autumn term begins
6 <sup>th</sup> – 8 <sup>th</sup> September	Picasso Residential trip to Grafham Water
14 <sup>th</sup> September	Kandinsky Class trip to the Solar Farm
11 <sup>th</sup> October	Kandinsky Class trip to Sutton Hoo - Cancelled
23 <sup>rd</sup> – 27 <sup>th</sup> October	Half Term
10 <sup>th</sup> November	Individual Pupil photos booked
20 <sup>th</sup> December	End of term
21st December – 3rd	Christmas Holidays
January 2024	
4 <sup>th</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> January	Training days – school closed
8 <sup>th</sup> January 2024	Spring Term begins