



Dear Parents

We have finally reached the last day of term and as I sit in my office reflecting on the year, I am immensely proud of the staff and children who have achieved so much in many and varied ways. I would like to thank you for the very generous and thoughtful cards and gifts; your kindness not only to me, but the whole staff is truly overwhelming. In addition, the gift of pizzas from The Friends on Wednesday lunch time was truly amazing! Sincere thanks. I am sad to be saying goodbye to this year's Year 6 and a few in other year groups – a group of children who will no doubt go on to succeed great things in their own unique way, as they move on to their new schools – I am very proud of them all, as I'm sure are their parents.

Year 6 Leavers' Mass and Book Presentation – On Tuesday, Year 6 gathered with their parents for a final Mass with Fr David. They were presented with an incredible year book – thanks to Paula and the many parents who put that together as a keepsake. Also thanks to Annette Rockwell for painstakingly writing all the children's names into the autograph books which were given by The Friends.

On Thursday, Year 6 gathered again to celebrate the end of a ten week creative writing workshop they had been involved in. Past parent Natasha and her colleague Angela worked with the children over the ten weeks to support the children to create nonfiction stories that came from their own families. Children were inspired to delve into their families' pasts to find a story worth writing about. We were delighted to welcome families of the children as well as three of the women who had inspired the stories. We were also delighted to welcome Fr David and local author Gabriel Dedji who published 'The Escape' at just seventeen years old. You can see photos from the presentation here. Huge thanks to Natasha and Angela for providing this free of charge.

<u>Summer Holidays in Enfield</u> - The London Borough of Enfield has a jam-packed range of activities for families. For more information, click <u>here</u>. <u>Summer Show Case</u> – On Monday night we sat back and enjoyed our end of year music concert where the choir, strings and instrumentalists entertained us all. Thanks to our music teacher Mr Charles-Nelson as well as the music tutors from Enfield Music Service: Lynne Baker and Sean Turpin. The children demonstrated extraordinary confidence and talent which you can watch here and listen here.



2G's Class Assembly – Class 2G took us back a few thousand years to the Stone Age entertaining us

with historical facts, singing and performing. They had learnt a great deal and spoke confidently. Watch some of the action here.

<u>Jeanne Willis</u> - A big thank you to local author Jeanne who came in on Thursday to read her new book to the Reception & Yr1 children on Thursday. If you would like to purchase the story, it is called <u>The Bear Who</u> <u>Had Nothing To Wear</u>.

<u>Reception Graduation</u> – On Wednesday, we held our traditional graduation ceremony for our Reception class children. This first year of school is a special one where they learn so many things and grow and mature ready for Key Stage 1.



They entertained us with some singing and dancing. Thanks to all the Reception staff for preparing this special celebration and all the parents who joined us.

Schools reading challenge

I sent an email yesterday about a read aloud challenge for the summer holiday. Go to <u>www.Readaloudchallenge.co.uk</u> for more information. The school challenge code is: BR4Z-XFFF-9NEM and the password is: yVrxJgZkxprWO3Gr

You need to download an app for this to work – see the email for the details.

Diary Dates for September 2024:

Tuesday 3rd September – Autumn term begins Sunday 8th September 12 midday – Mass for Education Sunday at St Monica's Catholic Church – all welcome Saturday 14th September – Celebration in school to mark our 70th anniversary! Details to follow - all welcome

I hope you can all enjoy some rest and relaxation over the summer holiday. I look forward to seeing most of you in September for the start of a new school year. For those children moving on, I wish them every success and happiness for the future. Kate Baptiste Headteacher