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We Grow and Learn with Jesus

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JANUARY 2020 NEWSLETTER

Thank You

The staff would like to thank you for the many Christmas messages, cards and gifts they received from the children at the end of this term. Your kindness and good wishes are much appreciated.

Attendance figures for the autumn term

EYFS	Attendance	KS1	Attendance	KS2	Attendance
Nursery	91.99%	Year 1L	95.93%	Year 3L	96.03%
Rec Lisbon	94.61%	Year 1P	95.88%	Year 3P	95.65%
Rec Padua	93.98%	Year 2L	97.07%	Year 4L	96.72%
		Year 2P	97.45%	Year 4P	95.43%
				Year 5L	96.84%
				Year 5P	96.22%
				Year 6L	96.60%
				Year 6P	95.65%

- Whole school attendance 96.7%
- The national average last year was 95.8%

Emergency school closure

The school has registered to a scheme that enables us to contact you directly via text and email in the event of a school closure. In order for this to be possible you need to register your name, phone numbers and email address by following the link below.

member.everbridge.net/index/892807736725489

In the event of a school closure, for example due to severe weather, we will alert you via text and email on the morning of the school closure. This information will also be available on our school website.

We advise you to register as soon as possible.

An arrangement has also been made with the following radio stations to broadcast school closure information:

- 3 counties radio
- BOB FM 106.7 and 106.9
- Heart 96.6



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Save the children 'Christmas Jumper Day'

Thank you for supporting the EYFS Charity. They raised £384.36.

Punctuality

This term there have been far too many children arriving late for school. This is disruptive to the children's learning as information, about the day's lessons given at 9.00am by class teachers, is missed by the children not in class on time.

Lateness also causes complication for the office staff and school kitchen. Please try to ensure your child arrives before 8.50am every day when the children enter school in order to be ready and in class by 9.00am. In order to raise awareness of your child's punctuality, the traffic light system has been used to send home information fliers. You should receive one in January if your child has been late.

British Legion

We have heard that £275.53 was raised for this charity in November. Thank you for your generosity.

KS2 Disco

On Thursday 23rd January '20 we shall be holding a KS2 disco for Lisbon classes (Y3L, Y4L, Y5L and Y6L) from 7.00pm – 9.00pm. KS2 Padua disco (Y3P, Y4P, Y5P and Y6P) will be held on Thursday 30th January from 7.00pm – 9.00pm. Tickets should be purchased, for £5.00 each, earlier that week by the children.

At the end of the disco Y3 children should be collected from the Y1 door at 9.00pm. Y4 children will leave through the ICT door and Y5 and Y6 children will exit through the Main Reception doors. Please wait outside the designated door at 9.00pm so that your child can be released by their teacher when they have recognised you.

Meeting for parents of Reception children

On Thursday 16th January '20 at 7.00pm we are holding a writing workshop to help parents understand how we teach children to write words and sentences and to be able to support this at home. This is a very important meeting to attend so that you understand how phonics is used to make your child an independent writer.

Meeting for Parents of Nursery children

The second information meeting for parents of Nursery children will take place on Tuesday 21st January '20 at 7.00pm. This session will cover Early Reading, Writing and Maths.

Y2 Parents Meeting

There will be an important meeting for parents of Y2 children where information about the end of KS1 assessments will be given. Expectations of the tests and assessments will be explained as well as ideas for supporting the children's learning at home. The meeting will take place on Wednesday 29th January '20 at 7.00pm.

Parking

Please continue to park safely and with consideration for our neighbours.

Congratulations

Our congratulations go to the following children:

Nursery

Evelyn G who achieved the preschool 1st badge of the British Gymnastics proficiency awards

Reception Lisbon

Riya P and Laura B who achieved Stage 1 of the Learn to Swim awards

Hannah M who achieved Water Skills award 1

Reception Padua

Lorcan K who achieved the 5m distance swimming award

Year 1 Lisbon

Sasha H who achieved Level 7 of the British Gymnastics proficiency awards

Abigail P who received a certificate for performing arts

Ethan G who achieved Level 8 of the British Gymnastics proficiency awards

Year 1 Padua

Elaina V who achieved the 10m distance award for swimming

Year 2 Lisbon

Dauida B who achieved Stage 2 of the Learn to Swim awards

Melisha G who achieved the 20 metre distance award for swimming

Year 2 Padua

Theo D who achieved Stage 4 of the Duckling swimming awards

Atticus C who achieved the Duckling 2 award for swimming

Daren CDJ who achieved Stage 1 of the Learn to Swim awards

Emily S who achieved the 5m distance award for swimming

Year 3 Lisbon

Michelle B who achieved Stage 2 of the Learn to Swim awards

Roza O who won a Tae Kwondo trophy for Student of the Year

Luca M who received a trophy for 'Goalkeeper of the week'

Year 4 Lisbon

Oscar K who achieved Stage 3 of the Learn to Swim awards

Kasia B who received two certificates for performing at the Royal Albert Hall and a Watford Theatre

Year 4 Padua

Alexia WP who received a medal for performing arts and a runners up trophy in a tennis tournament

Briyanna A who received a Star of the Day certificate for cheerleading

Teigen C who won a football trophy for scoring a hat trick

Year 5 Lisbon

Filip Skorcka who passed his Grade 3 violin exam with distinction

Julia W who received a Star of the Day certificate for cheer leading

Year 5 Padua

Deborah D who achieved Stage 4 of the Learn to Swim awards and her 25m distance award

Year 6 Padua

Elizabeth P who won 1 bronze, 1 silver and 2 gold medals at a county qualifier swimming gala

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Mon 23rd Dec– Fri 3rd Jan	Christmas holidays – school closed
Mon 6th Jan	School resumes
Mon 13th Jan	Football match v Holywell School at 3.30pm - away
Tues 14th Jan	Netball match v Lanchester School at 3.30pm - home
Wed 15 th Jan	Y5 Set Point workshop – Programming using Microbits
Thurs 16th Jan	Reception parents' information meeting 2 'How your child learns to write' at 7.00pm
Mon 20th Jan	Rec P and Y5P class mass at 2.30pm – parents invited
Tues 21st Jan	Nursery parents' information meeting 2 'How children learn to read and Early Maths' at 7.00pm
Thurs 23rd Jan	KS2 disco for Lisbon classes 7.00-9.00pm
Wed 29 th Jan	Meeting for parents of Y2 children at 7.00pm
Thurs 30th Jan	KS2 disco for Padua classes 7.00-9.00pm Y6 Maths Master Class in conjunction with The University of Hertfordshire
Mon 3 rd Feb	Y6 classes to visit the Ann Frank Exhibition in St. Albans Abbey
Tues 4 th Feb	Netball match v Holywell - home
Fri 7 th Feb	Reception visit to Radlett Theatre
Mon 10 th Feb	Y1L and Y4L class mass at 2.30pm – parents invited
Fri 14 th Feb	School closes at 2.30pm for half term
Mon 17th - Fri 21st Feb	Half term – School closed
Mon 24 th Feb	School resumes