



25th October 2024

Dear Parents,

We have reached the end of the first half term of the school year and what a busy half term it has been! Thanks very much to Mrs Moruzzi for leading the Rosary prayer each morning during October and to all the children and staff who attended.



Dance Stables lunchtime club! – Today, Mollie from Dance Stables gave each class a taster of the dance club she will be running during Wednesday lunch times after half term. If your child is interested, click the link

<https://www.dancestables.co.uk/school-clubs>

Cello presentation to Year 3 – Our talented peripatetic cello teacher Sean Turpin, visited year 3 this week. He was very impressed with the children's knowledge of the string family. He played a piece by Bach and 'Somewhere over the rainbow'. Mr Charles Nelson has emailed a flyer detailing how to sign up for lessons. For children not currently learning any instrument there is a scholarship opportunity. See leaflet for all the details.

Assemblies this week – On Monday I spoke to the children some more about the power of words. They watched what happened to a little girl's face every time someone said something unkind to her. Saying sorry after you've done something wrong is all well and good, but the damage left with the person can be long lasting.

Year 6 Shakespeare Workshop – Mrs Khan writes, "On Thursday, Year 6 watched a lively adaptation of Shakespeare's Twelfth Night! The children were captivated by the modern twist, with clever references to current trends that brought the classic comedy to life in a fresh, relatable way. The excitement grew as some students even had the chance to step into the roles of various characters. This interactive experience sparked their imaginations and brought new appreciation for Shakespeare's work, making it a memorable highlight of the term."

Year 6 Music Recital – A big thank you to Mr Charles-Nelson for organising the Year 6 Music Recital on Wednesday. Children played a variety of instruments and entertained an audience of nearly 300 children, staff and parents! You can see some photos [here](#) and listen to their performances [here](#)!

Thank you! – A big thank you to Mr Gregori (James' and Annabelle's dad) who very kindly fixed our netball posts! We are very grateful to him!

Building Fund – Thanks you for all the contributions made so far - £610 received out of a possible £29,000. Voluntary donations can be made via Parent Pay.



Diary Dates

Monday 28th – Friday 1st November – school closed for the half term holiday

Monday 4th November 6.30am – online booking opens for parent consultations. Information about how to book will be sent next week

Monday 4th November – School opens as normal

Monday 4th November – Islam week in RE lessons

Friday 8th November – individual and sibling photos being taken in school this day – full school uniform please.

Friday 8th November 1pm – Cross Country Team B to Forty Hall

Friday 8th November – Donation Day for orphanage in the Democratic Republic of Congo – suggested donation of £2 or whatever you can afford, so that they can buy classroom resources for the children in the orphanage.

I hope you can all enjoy a restful half term holiday and come back to the new term rested and rejuvenated for another half term of learning!

Kind regards

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Headteacher