

## Friday news 19.01.2024

We welcomed parents for our first class assembly this week. Well done to South America class for their fantastic assembly. I know Miss Butcher and Mrs Thacker were really proud of the entire class. I know some of the children were very nervous leading up to it and we were extremely proud of those who were able to take part. I was so sorry to have missed the first one and am really looking forward to Year 1's assembly on 1<sup>st</sup> February.

### Parent Governor

We have 3 parents who have stepped forward for the parent governor vacancy. We would like as many of you to vote as possible please. Just click on the link below to have your vote.  
<https://forms.office.com/e/LsrbzahbmG>

### Illness

Please be aware that there are a lot of illnesses going around school at the moment. We are hopeful that the cold snap has killed off some of the germs but with warm, wet weather forecast again they may make a resurgence. A reminder of procedures: If your child has a fever (over 37.5 degrees)

please keep your child off school until they are fever free. If your child has been sick or suffered from diarrhoea, please keep them off school until they have been free of sickness or diarrhoea for 48 hours. This helps us to limit any outbreaks. If you are unsure, please call the office for advice.

Please report your child's absence to the school office on the morning of their illness. For safeguarding reasons, if your child is not in school, we will contact you and if we don't get a response, we will do a welfare check to ensure everyone is okay.

### Sleep

We have noticed that some children are coming in to school very tired. Great Ormond Street Hospital have some very useful advice on sleep hygiene in children. Sleep is such a vital part of a child's development and in an increasingly busy and pressured world it is something that can often be forgotten about. Please see the link for further advice. <https://www.gosh.nhs.uk/conditions-and-treatments/procedures-and-treatments/sleep-hygiene-children/>

If you are struggling with your child and their sleep, please come and speak to us.

### Dates

Please see below the dates for the Spring term. If we have any further dates to add we will let you know as soon as we do.

Dates for Summer term events will be sent out at the end of the Spring term.

1<sup>st</sup> February - Year 1 class assembly

5<sup>th</sup> February - 11<sup>th</sup> February - Children's Mental Health Week

8<sup>th</sup> February - Year 6 class assembly  
19<sup>th</sup> February - 23<sup>rd</sup> February - Half term  
29<sup>th</sup> February - Year 2 class assembly  
5<sup>th</sup> March - Parents' Evening  
7<sup>th</sup> March - Parents' Evening  
7<sup>th</sup> March - World Book Day  
7<sup>th</sup> March - Year 5 class assembly  
15<sup>th</sup> March - Red Nose Day  
21<sup>st</sup> March - Year R class assembly  
28<sup>th</sup> March - Year 4 class assembly  
Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> March - last day for pupils  
Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March - Easter holiday starts  
12<sup>th</sup> April - PD day  
15<sup>th</sup> April - Pupils return for Summer term.

Have a very happy weekend!



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*“Let the children come to me and do not stop them, because the  
Kingdom of heaven belongs to them”*  
MATTHEW 19:14