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# **Newsletter No 6**

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## **Dear Parents and Carers,**

#### **Events this week**

This week lots of our classes have been on really exciting educational visits.

6M, 5K and 5/5F went to Eltham Palace to enrich their learning about Art Deco design and architecture.

Year 4 went on a fantastic visit to Chislehurst Caves to learn about World War II.

Year 1 went to the Environmental Centre in Eltham for a great day of learning about their natural environment.

All our Reception pupils had a lovely day at Woodlands Farm.

# **Notes for your diary**

Harvest Festival 20<sup>th</sup> October – Friends providing

tea & coffee afterwards.

Half term 20<sup>th</sup> October

Inset day Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October

### Wednesday 8th November - Open Evening

(appointment system to discuss your child's progress)

Effingham Site 3.30 pm – 6pm Newstead Site 4.30 – 7 pm

### Thursday 9th November- Open Evening

(appointment system to discuss your child's progress)

Effingham Site 4.30 – 7 pm Newstead Site 3.30 – 6 pm

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November Quiz Night

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December Children's Christmas Disco

## **Congratulations!**

I am delighted to tell you that Mrs Reynolds and her husband have been blessed with a beautiful son. Rowan John Reynolds was born on 8<sup>th</sup> October weighing just under 5 lbs, tiny but perfect.

#### **Harvest Festival**

As a Right's Respecting School (RRS) we want to enhance understanding that all children have a right to nutritious food and a clean environment so they stay healthy (article 24 of the UNCRC).

13 million people live below the poverty line in the UK.

As part of our celebration for Harvest Festival this year, we will be collecting food for Lewisham Food bank which is part of a national network of some 350 food banks providing emergency food to local people in crisis.

We will also be collecting for the **Manna Centre**, as usual. This is a centre which provides meals for homeless people in London each day. A large amount of their food each year comes from donations at Harvest Festival. We will also be donating some items to families in need in our school community.

Each class will be collecting one food type (listed below) which is of most benefit to these great causes. We are asking each child to bring one food item to add to their class collection.

Donations of food can be brought into school and the RRS reps will organise the collections for their class. If you would like to make a donation of food, please pick items from the list below.

6M	UHT Fruit Juice			
5/6F	UHT Milk (1 litre)			
5K	Sugar (500g bags)			
4L	Tinned Vegetables			
4T	Pasta Sauce			
3U	Rice			
3A	Tinned Meat			
2CL	Breakfast Cereals			
2FM	Tinned Fish			
1A & 1D	Powdered milk			
Reception	Tinned Vegetables			
Nursery	Tea Bags			

We will be having a service at 9.15 on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October in the main School hall, for pupils in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6. Please come and join us if you can. You are welcome to bring along siblings from the Infant site and drop them to school after the service.

We will have a second service at 2.30 on the same day in the main school hall, for pupils in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. Again, you are very welcome to join us for this event. Nursery and reception pupils will be taken to the main site for the service by our staff. You can either collect them from the main site at the end of the service or when they are taken back to the Effingham Road site. Please inform teaching staff or the office about which you would like to do.

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## Signing in sheets will be available from Wednesday 1st November.

You can sign up for your preferred time on the forms in the reception area at Effingham Road or for the Newstead Road site—in the new reception area which is up the stairs at the back of the new office/hall/classroom block, through the double doors which are usually locked at drop off/pick up times. If you cannot pop in to sign up, then call the school office after 9.30am and before 2.45pm and we will do our best to accommodate you.

You can make an appointment for a 10 minute discussion with your child's teacher. You will also be able to spend time looking at your child's work before your appointment if you arrive a bit earlier.

In order to ensure you don't have to wait, teachers will use timers. It is really important that appointments do not overrun but if you need more time then you are welcome to arrange a follow up meeting.

There will be crèche facilities at both sites during these meetings.

## 1<sup>st</sup> Communion Programme 2017/18 – Our Lady of Lourdes Lee

The dates for next year's 1<sup>st</sup> Communions will be Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> and Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2018. Registration forms for the programme will be available from Father Emeka after this weekend's Masses and next weekend's as well. Forms need to be returned to Father Emeka by Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> October.



















### Friends - Dates for your diary.

The Friends Committee has been busy starting planning for the autumn term's events so here are a few dates for your diary. Look out for further information in book bags and future newsletters.

- 1. Friday 17th November Quiz Night the ever popular quiz night will be back, tickets include supper and the quiz.
- 2. **Friday 2nd December** Children's Christmas Discos a start to the festive season for reception to y6 children. 4.30-5.45 (reception to year 2) and 6.15 to 7.30 (years 3-6). Volunteers are required to support this discoplease let us know.
- **3. Friday 20th October** the Committee will be providing tea and coffee after both Harvest Festivals at the main site in Newstead Road.

For more information or to get involved please get in touch at <a href="mailto:stwinifriendsse12@gmail.com">stwinifriendsse12@gmail.com</a>

### **Christmas Productions**

I am including the timetable for our planned class Christmas productions. We will be using three different halls this year so please ensure you come to the correct one.

	EYFS Site	Main Site small hall	Main Site big hall		
1 <sup>st</sup> December	Nursery 2.30	-	-		
4 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception C 1.30		-		
5 <sup>th</sup> December	-		3A 2.15		
6 <sup>th</sup> December	Reception B 1.30	-	3U 2.15		
7 <sup>th</sup> December	-	-	5K 2.00		
8 <sup>th</sup> December	-	1A 2.00	-		
11 <sup>th</sup> December	-	2CL 1.15	4T 2.00		
12 <sup>th</sup> December	-	2FM 1.15	4L 2.00		
13 <sup>th</sup> December	-	1D 2.00	-		
14 <sup>th</sup> December	-	-	6M 2.00		
15 <sup>th</sup> December	-	-	5/6F 2.00		

## **Attendance & Punctuality for this week**

Total 29 late children throughout the school. Congratulations to Reception C and 3A with no late children. Well done to 6M with 100% attendance.

<u>Class</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	Lates	<u>Class</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	Lates	Class	Attendance	Lates
Reception C	96%	0	Year 2CL	97%	6	Year 4T	99%	2
Reception B	96%	1	Year 2FM	94%	2	Year4L	97%	3
Year 1 A	97%	6	Year 3U	99%	3	Year 5K	97%	2
Year 1 D	98%	1	Year 3A	94%	0	Year 5/6F	98%	2
					Year 6M	100%	1	

Have a lovely weekend.

Margaret Hanrahan

















