

#### AUTUMN 2 WEEK 6

Let God transform you into a new person by changing the way that you think – Romans 12:2 NLT

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this newsletter finds you well. As the festive season is in full swing, I would like to share a number of exciting events we have planned for the week ahead.

We warmly invite you to join us for *Carols by Candlelight* performances on *Tuesday 10th* and *Wednesday 11th December*. The performance on Tuesday will be by children in years 1-3, while the performance on Wednesday will be by children in years 4-6. These special performances will, I am sure, showcase the hard work and beautiful voices of our very musical children as they perform a number of traditional and modern carols.

On *Thursday 12th December*, we will have two very special events: Christmas Jumper Day and the Christmas Fair. For details of the fair please see the letter which was sent to you yesterday. Come and enjoy a host of festive activities and even catch a glimpse of Father Christmas himself.

Next week the children will also create special artworks for a special exhibition in January.

Children in every year group will produce a unique artwork next week. The artwork will then be collected and, during the holiday, framed. Then, in January we will host a Mini-Masterworks exhibition at which you will be able to purchase a framed copy of your child's artwork.

As part of our Young Transformers programme – our unique programme to provide children with enriching experiences which transform them, themselves and others – we had a special visitor this week: Safari Pete. Safari Pete brought a plethora of animals and I was impressed by the children's' knowledge, confidence and inquisitiveness during the sessions.

This week I would also like to celebrate the hard-work of years 5-6 who have been learning to play our new mini-pianos. The children have thoroughly enjoyed the mini-piano lessons and they are eager to learn more. It has been wonderful to see their excitement and pride as they share their progress with friends and teachers.

Finally, thank you for your continued support in ensuring excellent attendance.

This week's whole school attendance was 96%.

Regular attendance plays a vital role in your child's learning and development, and we appreciate your efforts in making it a priority. Together, we can help every child thrive and make the most of their educational journey.

I would like to close this newsletter with a quote from James 1:12 which reminds us of one of our school values: tenacity.

""Blessed is the one who perseveres under trial because, having stood the test, that person will receive the crown of life that the Lord has promised to those who love him."

Best wishes, Mr Pitchford



## MRS BUBBLEWORKS























## **YOUNG TRANSFORMERS**

# Gabriel Y3

As part of the 7th Walthamstow Beavers, Gabriel will be making gift bags for Highams Park food aid. His troop will be donating gift items, handmade cards and packing them into bags which they will decorate. This charity supports people who have little food or gifts to open for Christmas. Gabriel has shown wonderful christmas spirit, a sense of community, selflessness.



## **STARS OF THE WEEK**





Year 2 Rudi & Emma



Charlotte & Max



Year 4 Samaa & Sid



Year 5
Elsie & Demid



Year 6
Skye & Leonie





#### **PROGRESS CUP WINNERS**

A huge well done **Jannat & Kimaya** who are this week's Progress Cup winners!





## PRESENTATION WINNERS

Daniele Y2





Nara Y4

### **ATTENDANCE AWARDS**

Well done to



Y3 Albert Einstein 100%

&

Y5 Blue

97.92%



who have won the attendance mascots this week.







## **VALUE CARD AWARDS**

Well done **Kai & Ozan** who have collected 5 value cards for consistently showing our school values.

**Y3 CLASS CORNER** 

A Fun Week of Learning and Creativity!

This week in Year 3, we've been having so much fun, and we wanted to share all the exciting things we've been up to!

We had a fantastic time learning with Mrs Bubbleworks! Did you know bubbles aren't just pretty to look at, they help us understand science? We learned how bubbles float because of air and gravity. We experimented with air pressure works, and we even got to make bubbles of all sizes! Some of us tried to catch bubbles in our hands while others made giant bubbles that drifted up into the sky or even giant bubbles people stood inside. It was so much fun to see how science can be such a blast!



Carols by Candlelight! We've been practising songs for our upcoming performance, and we can't wait to show you how much we've improved! It's been so much fun singing together, and we're getting better every day.

In our art lessons, we've been using wire to create amazing mythical creatures. We twisted and shaped the wire to make dragons, unicorns, and even creatures from our own imaginations! It was tricky at first, but we were all so proud of the creatures we created. Our classroom is now filled with our fantastic, creative sculptures!

It's been a wonderful week full of learning, singing, and creating. We can't wait to see what exciting adventures next week brings!







#### **PARENT CALENDAR**



#### DECEMBER 2024



MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
2 Story Telling Boy at the back of the class Y4	3 Reception & Y6 Height & Weight Check	Professor Bubbleworks Rec - Y6	5 Y5 Singing in Town Square Animal Workshop Safari Pete Y2	6 Y2 EP Forest School	7	8
9 Musical Theatre Workshop	Falconry  10 Rec - Y6  Carols by  Candlelight YI - Y3  3:15pm - 3:45pm	Christmas Panto 11 Rec - Y6 Carols by Candlelight Y4- Y6 3:15pm - 3:45pm	Christmas  12 Christmas Fair 3,40 - 5:00pm Christmas Dinner Day - Please order via ParentPay	13 Y3 RP Forest School	14	15
16	Rec & YI Nativity	18 Reading Workshop @ 3:00 - 3:30pm	19 School finishes at 2:00pm	20 Christmas Half	21 Term 20th Dec	22 to 3rd Jan 2025
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# PRIMARY SCHOOL ADMISSIONS 2025

#### **PRIMARY SCHOOL ADMISSIONS 2025**

Do you have a child who was born between 1 September 2020 and 31 August 2021?

If so, they are due to start Primary School in September 2025. To make an application please apply online <a href="https://www.eadmissions.org.uk">www.eadmissions.org.uk</a> by 15th January 2025. For more information visit the Waltham Forest Primary Admission page on <a href="https://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/schools-education-and-learning/apply-primary-school">https://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/schools-education-and-learning/apply-primary-school</a> where you can download a copy of the Starting Primary School 2025 brochure which has full details of how to apply for a Primary School place.







# Term Dates 2024- 2025



#### Autumn Term 2024

First Half (32 Days)

INSET - Monday 2nd, Tuesday 3rd, Wednesday 4th

Start - Thursday 5th September 2024

End - Friday 18th October 2024

Half Term: Monday 21st October-25th October

Second Half (39 Days)

Start - Monday 28th October 2024

End - Thursday 19th December 2024

Holidays: Friday 20th December 2024 to Friday 3rd January 2025

#### Spring Term 2025

First Half (29 Days)

INSET - Monday 6th January 2025

Start - Tuesday 7th January 2025

End - Friday 14th February 2025

Half Term: Monday 17th February 2025 - Friday 21st February 2025

Second Half (30 Days)

Start - Monday 24th February 2025

End - Friday 4th April 2025

Holidays: Monday 7th April to Monday 21st April 2025

#### Summer Term 2025

First Half (23 Days)

Start - Tuesday 22nd April 2025

End - Friday 23rd May 2025

Half Term: Monday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2025 - Friday 30th May 2025 Holidays May Day Bank Holiday: Monday 5th May 2025

Spring Bank Holiday: Monday 26th May 2025 (during Half Term)

Second Half (37 Days)

Start - Monday 2nd June 2025 End - Tuesday 22nd July 2025