

Autumn 2 has plenty to report. We bounced into action with a very exciting first week back celebrating Work Week! This was followed by fantastic fundraisers and the naming of our chickens. Read on to find out more about our amazing autumn 2 and what's to come in December 2016.

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Welcome Back Ms D'Abreu!

A huge welcome back to Ms D'Abreu who has made a speedy recovery and could not wait to return to see how hard her pupils have been working this term. As we welcome back Ms D'Abreu we say farewell and a huge thank-you to Ms Harris for all of her hard work and support during Ms D'Abreu's absence. In Ms Harris' final assembly she expressed her belief in our outstanding pupils and urged them to keep up their hard work.



Pendarren 2016

Our Year 6 pupils had a fantastic time at Pendarren this year! They arrived home safely after 5 days of outdoor exploration with tales of potholing, climbing, canoeing, and horse riding. Keep an eye out for more exciting pictures which will be appearing on our website's News Archive very soon!



Work Week

During Work Week all year groups from Nursery to Year 6 took part in a number of activities, talks and visits. The whole week was aimed at raising aspirations about the opportunities which are available in the working world. This was achieved through first hand experience of working environments, live projects and discussions with a variety of professionals. Our pupils were involved in range of different industries such as catering, hospitality, fashion, and the emergency services.

The children were able to learn about the value of work, how and why people earn and save money as well as developing a sense of responsibility, co-operation and problem solving skills.

In order to share the success of their fashion and design project Year 5 presented a fashion show to the whole school. The feedback from the judges, (a panel of professional fashion designers) was incredible!



Lynch Fundraiser- Autumn Fayre

A huge thankyou and congratulations are due to all pupils, staff and parents/ carers who helped to make our Autumn Fayre our most successful charity event so far! We raised an incredible £872.97. Half of these funds will be donated to The Grange Day Centre, the remaining half will go towards United World Schools. Our next House Fundraiser will be in January!



Chicken Update

Our chickens are now living outdoors in the Diversity Den and have settled into their new home really well. They spend the day eating lots, swinging on their swing and racing each other around. The members of SAS Club (Serious About Science) have placed each chicken in a house and conducted research in order to name each chicken after a famous female scientist. Wakefield's chicken is Priscilla, named after Priscilla Wakefield herself! She was a famous botanist (which means she studied plants) who was from Tottenham. Tull's hen is Mae, who is named after Mae Jamison the first African American to travel into space. Lynch's chicken is Florence after Florence Nightingale the founder of modern nursing. Lastly Hodgkin's chicken is Rosalind after Rosalind Franklin an English chemist who was part of the team that discovered the structure of DNA. Each chicken is wearing a coloured ring on their leg - this lets you know which house they are in! Priscilla, Mae, Florence and Rosalind are looking forward to seeing you learning in the Diversity Den soon!



Important Dates in December:

Monday 5th December
Year 4/5 Instrument Concert
parents/carers welcome 2:15pm

Wednesday 7th December
Tea & Coffee Morning

Friday 9th December
Wigmore Hall selected Year 6
Classroom Decorating please
donate craft items
Parents welcome from 2pm

Wednesday 14th December
National Portrait Gallery Year 2
Tea and Coffee Morning 8:30am

Thursday 15th December
KS1 Seasonal Singing Concert

Friday 16th December
Christmas Lunch
Christmas Jumper Day
Donate £1

Autumn Afterschool Clubs End
no clubs from 19th December

Monday 19th December
Winning House Trip
Art & Design Exhibit 3:30pm

Tuesday 20th December
KS1 Seasonal Singing Concert
Santa visits Nursery

Wednesday 21st December
KS2 Seasonal Singing Concert
Tea & Coffee morning 8:30am

Last Day Of Term
Wednesday 21st December
School ends at usual time.

Spring Term Begins:
Wednesday 4th January

More details can be seen on our school website calendar.

Winter Clothing

Please ensure that your child is coming to school with suitable clothing for winter. Children should be wearing a winter coats, woolly hat, gloves/mittens. Tights must be worn with skirts. Boots worn to and from school must be changed for school shoes upon arrival.

The weather is getting increasingly colder and these items are necessary during break time and lunchtime when the children play outside.



Outstanding Payments

Please be reminded that payments for dinner money and breakfast club must be paid in advance. There should be no debt showing on your child's account. Failure to make regular payment will result in the withdrawal of services.

Payment can be made at the Reception during office opening hours or online. Please ask at the office for login details.