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TERM DATES

**School Year
2017- 2018**

Spring Term

INSET DAY

Tuesday 2nd January 2018
(no children in school)

First day of Term

Wednesday 3rd January 2018

Half Term

Monday 12th February - 16th
February 2018

INSET DAY

Monday 19th February 2018
(no children in school)

End of Term

Thursday 29th March

Summer Term

INSET DAY

Monday 16th April 2018
(no children in school)

First day of Term

Tuesday 17th April 2018

Bank Holiday

Monday 7th May 2018
(no children in school)

Half Term

Monday 28th May - Friday 1st
June 2018

End of Term

Friday 20th July 2018

IN TOUCH

Friday 19th January 2018



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It's been good to welcome our new Inclusion Manager, Kerry Dunford, into school this week. As I said last week, Kerry will work Wednesday through to Friday and is keen to meet many of you. She has been on the gate in the morning and the afternoon, please do come along and introduce yourself to her.

In Worship we continue to look at how to make ourselves happy in 2018! This morning we began to think about well being and we looked at a selection of pages from the picture book 'The Well of Being' by Jean-Pierre Weill. We will continue to think about this crucial part of our development in the week ahead.

On Thursday, Year Three held their Exit Point for their topic: How Humans Work. The children were very excited to have their parents in school and took on the role of the teacher, instructing their parents in all they have learned so far. There was a quiz afterwards and some of the children were frustrated as their parents hadn't listened well and they put their names on the sad face. Miss Barrett was delighted that the children got a chance to see how difficult her job is and would like to thank all the parents for being such good sports!

Also on Thursday, the Head of Building and Development from the Diocese Board of Education and our Diocesan Architect were in school to look at the most recent building work we have undertaken and to talk about the future. Unfortunately the immediate future is not as exciting as what has gone before and will mainly involve replacing the windows and lights which were not done previous to or during the works.

This afternoon we have an Anti-Bullying Ambassadors meeting. Our next Anti-Bullying Day is on Friday 23rd March. We will be revealing the winners of our poster competition and hopefully taking part in some virtual reality workshops! Watch this space!

This evening, it is the penultimate KS2 Choir rehearsal before we perform at the O2. I will shortly be sending home a final letter containing all the information needed for the day and how to collect tickets etc. Please encourage all of the children to keep singing along to the CDs I gave them, to learn the lyrics and dance moves in preparation for the final concert - which is fast approaching!

Finally this afternoon, don't forget to bring some change for the Year Five Cake Sale after school. A big thank you to all of the parents who run the stalls each week. The children love our cake sales and very soon we will be able to also have uniform sales run by the Year Sixes, when the shop in the playground gets it's roof from B&Q! Another huge thank you to Jackie and Nigel Underwood-Hall for the brains and brawn behind this idea!

That brings us very swiftly to the end of yet another week! Have a restful weekend,

Cheryl Payne—Head Teacher

Diary dates for next week:

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| Monday | Year Two trip to Kew Gardens |
| | Year One trip to St. Mary's Church |
| Friday | 1.30pm School Council meeting |
| | After school—Year Four Cake Sale |

