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TERM DATES

School Year 2021-22

Autumn Term

Half Term:

Monday 25th October to

Friday 29th October

Last day of Term:

Friday 17th December 2021

Spring Term

INSET Day:

Tuesday 4th January

First day of Term:

Wednesday 5th January

Half Term:

Monday 14th February to

Friday 18th February 2022

Last day of Term:

Friday 1st April 2022

Summer Term

INSET Day:

Tuesday 19th April

First day of Term:

Wednesday 20th April

Bank Holiday:

Monday 2nd May 2022

Half Term:

Monday 30th May to

Friday 3rd June

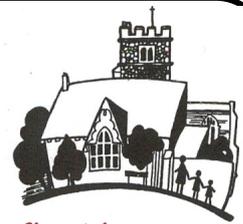
Last Day of Term:

Friday 22nd July

IN TOUCH

Friday 1st October 2021

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VISION: Delivering excellence, allowing all to flourish
MISSION: Creating a culture of wonder, guided by Christian Faith
VALUES: COMPASSION - ENDURANCE - THANKFULNESS

It was great to see Reverend John back in school and leading Harvest worship this morning. The children really enjoyed his input. Reverend Whittaker extended an invitation to all of the children and their families to join Harvest worship at St. Mary's Church this coming Sunday. Please see a letter coming home on Monday about our Harvest appeal. We will continue our support for Wandsworth Food Bank.

Also this morning, it was brilliant to be able to give out our learning warrior certificates in person. Congratulations also to Yi-Lin (Y6) and Alex (Y4) who have been spotted using lovely manners around school this week; and to Rudy (Y6) who was nominated for a thankfulness star for having an attitude of gratitude when speaking with our visitors this week. Green family are on a roll and have won the family point competition for the third week running and we selected two new school leaders. Each week two children in Year Six are chosen to be our leaders. They have many responsibilities, amongst which are: dismissing classes from worship, greeting people on the gate in the afternoon; carrying out a learning walk of the school and providing feedback to the Head Teacher. Monkhorn and Xavier will lead us next week—but we want to say a huge thank you to Shannon and Darcy who have shown great initiative in the role this week! One of the things they would like to see us develop is the use of our prayer tables in every classroom...

Thank you to all of the parents who took time to speak with representatives from the local authority yesterday. Overall the visit was a very positive experience with lots of strengths in practice identified and—as always—some things for us to work on. Huge thanks to Ann Debono and Angela Rundle for the time they spent in school yesterday. We really value their input.

The Chairs of Governors were also in school yesterday, Judith and Natasha met with Ann, Angela and senior leaders to receive feedback about the visit and then the full governing board were in action in the evening as the first full meeting took place virtually. This will be followed by three committee and Faith Group meetings throughout the remainder of the term. It was lovely to see new governors Clara, Louise and Henry at their very first meeting. Our thanks to all of our governors for the work that they will undertake to challenge and support the school this year.

This afternoon pupils in Year Six took part in a workshop with representatives from Transport for London. This is an important part of the programme of preparation for transfer to secondary school which happens throughout Year Six. The workshop was very well received by the children and Mrs Rinaldi who said she also learned a lot!

Coming out with In Touch this evening, please find attached some useful mental health contacts and finally—a message from Helen Phipps: *This Sunday, I will be running the London Marathon in aid of Epilepsy Action. My son William Phipps (Y6) was diagnosed with epilepsy a few years ago. Any support gratefully received.* <https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/HelenDarling>

All that remains for me to say is—good luck Helen! Let's hope this lovely sunshine holds out over the weekend and have a restful and restorative weekend—See you all again on Monday!

Cheryl Payne
Head Teacher

Whole School Attendance 2021 -22

Week beginning	Percentage
06/09	96.9%
13/09	96.6%
20/09	93.8%
27/09	93.8%
Total:	95.2%

LEARNING WARRIORS

Year One: Yaryna and Oscar
Year Two: Zahra and Olivia
Year Three: Ciaran and Nicole
Year Four: Isabella and Ted
Year Five: Frederic and Dawid
Year Six: Charlotte and Rudy



Well done to all of these children for developing key learning skills in their approach and attitude to school this week—keep up the excellent work!

Family Points

Well done Green Family
a hat-trick!

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