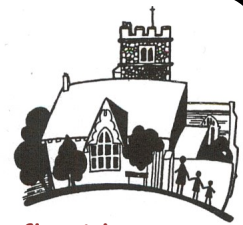


# IN TOUCH



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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

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## TERM DATES

**School Year 2021-22**

**Spring Term**

**INSET Day:**

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> January

First day of Term:

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> January

**Half Term:**

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> February to

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February 2022

Last day of Term:

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2022

**Summer Term**

**INSET Day:**

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April

First day of Term:

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April

**Bank Holiday:**

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2022

**Half Term:**

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May to

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> June

Last Day of Term:

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July

We have all been hugely excited today because it is Number Day! Huge thanks to Mrs Rinaldi for organising it and to all of the teachers who have taught different classes throughout the day. There are some very impressive 'dressed for digits' costumes —thank you parents—and children have enjoyed workshops with the Happy Puzzle Company. Thank you to everyone who has donated money to the NSPCC. We raised around £200, which I am sure the charity will be delighted with. Photos below show pupils in Year Six enjoying their workshop and building a 2p tower back in class.

A date for your diary is the 24th February. FoSMS are holding a Spring Term Social at St. Mary's Church and all parents/carers are invited. Please see the attached information for further details.

Also coming out with In Touch today is information from Wandsworth Music Service who have opened a Music Therapy Saturday Clinic. They are offering 1:1 sessions for children with a range of needs. Sessions are delivered by professionally trained and qualified Music Therapists. Again, please see the attached information for further details.

Safer Internet Day is fast approaching and will take place on Tuesday 8th February. The school will be marking this day by raising awareness of online safety matters with the children. We would also like to make you, as parents and carers, aware of any useful information and this week we would like to highlight the options available to you in your child's use of YouTube. Many children love watching online content and YouTube is a source for much entertainment for children. However, there are potential risks with YouTube, mainly children being exposed to unsuitable or inappropriate content, and this may be of concern. The following link - <https://www.youtube.com/myfamily/> - explains the various options available for accessing YouTube, including the use of YouTube Kids (more suitable for your younger ones), and a brand new supervised experience for older children in which you get to manage content settings and parental controls. Please do take a look at <https://www.youtube.com/myfamily/> for further information.

Some of our Year Five and Six pupils are off on school journey next week. On Monday Year Five will be heading to Sayers Croft for an overnight stay and then on Tuesday they will cross paths with Year Six, who are travelling down for a three night stay. It is our first school journey in just over two years and I am very grateful to the staff team who have volunteered to supervise and lead the children during the journey. I am especially grateful to Mrs Bishop who has planned and will lead the journeys. It is going to be a very exciting trip for both classes and I know they will make long lasting memories through the activities that are planned for them. I hope everyone sleeps well over the weekend and I look forward to hearing all about their adventures upon their return next week.

Until then, have a restful weekend and we look forward to seeing you all for more fun and learning next week.

Best wishes,  
 Cheryl Payne—Head Teacher

## Whole School Attendance 2021 - 22

Autumn Term	95.3%
Spring Term	
Week beginning	Percentage
03/01	89%
10/01	96.9%
17/01	97.8%
24/01	94.5%
31/01	
07/02	
<b>Total:</b>	<b>95.3%</b>

