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Autumn Term  
Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2025

Spring Term  
INSET Day:  
Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026  
First day of Term:  
Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2026  
Half Term:  
Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2026  
Last day of Term:  
Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026

Summer Term  
First day of Term:  
Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026  
Bank Holiday:  
Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2026  
Half Term:  
Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2026  
Last Day of Term:  
Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2026

### School Attendance 25-26

| TARGET         | 97.0%        |
|----------------|--------------|
| 2024-25        | 96.5% (1687) |
| Autumn 1       | 96.6% (357)  |
| Week Beginning | % (sessions) |
| 03/11          | 97.6% (27)   |
| 10/11          | 98.2% (25)   |
| 17/11          |              |
| 24/11          |              |
| 01/10          |              |
| 08/12          |              |
| 15/12          |              |
| Total:         | 96.8% (409)  |



### Family Points

238

228

231

439

# IN TOUCH

Friday 7th November 2025

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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

As a musical theatre fan—and a WICKED fan in particular—I am finding it very difficult not to whistle as I work, as songs from WICKED have been drifting down the corridor to my office over the last few days. To mark our first Anti-Bullying week this year, we have engaged with WICKED Learning, who have delivered workshops in Years One to Six. The messages of WICKED fit well with the national Anti-Bullying theme of 'Power for Good' as the story examines what is goodness and wickedness, and what do they truly look like? It's a very pertinent question for our world today and hopefully our children will learn many things through the work they have done in class, as well as in the workshops, this week. I would like to thank Mrs Jennings for leading and managing this work and for planning a trip for Years Five and Six to see the stage show in the coming weeks. There are some photos below which show children in their Oddsocks and taking part in workshops. Huge thanks to FoSMS for funding our workshops today and for parents for reminding us to wear our odd socks!

On Tuesday we gathered together to think about remembrance before marking the national two minutes silence in our worship session. We were joined by the whole staff team, including our colleagues in the kitchen. We thought about how we could bring peace to our corner of the world before singing our remembrance song. The children did a good job of marking the two minutes silence using thinking prompts on the interactive whiteboard.

We have quite a few classes out on trips next week. Tuesday will see Year Five at The Science Museum, on Wednesday Year One are going to Rhythm, Rhyme and Rap at Wandsworth's Civic Suite. We have a KS2 (Years Three to Six) Eucharist Service at St. Mary's Church at the **unusual** time of **10.30am**. Parents/carers are welcome to join us in the gallery and for communion. On Thursday, Year Four make their way to the Cenotaph whilst Year Three will follow in Year One's footsteps to the Civic Suite in Wandsworth for an audience with David Walliams! The Equal Eagles programme will continue in Year Six.

Before I close this week, I just want to let parent/carers know we are currently reviewing how we utilise parent volunteers to support the work of the school. We are inviting parent/carers to join us on trips but have paused other volunteers activities at this time. Please bear with us while we do this. We are very grateful to all of the support we get from our parents and understand concern about the lack of reading volunteers currently in classes, we hope to rectify this very soon. Thank you in advance for your support in this matter.

Whatever your plans over the weekend, we hope you find time to relax and enjoy time with family. We look forward to seeing you at the usual time on Monday. Very best wishes,  
Cheryl Payne—Head Teacher

