

Thursday 8th December 2022



Dear Parents,



This week, we have felt the festive joy building throughout the school. On Tuesday, our Nursery children kicked off the celebrations with a wonderful performance of their favourite songs, followed by a stay and play session where they took the **opportunity** to share with their parents all of the amazing activities that they get to enjoy whilst at school. We then moved up the school to Reception, who proved that with **perseverance** the big star was indeed able to shine; their enthusiastic singing and signing most definitely helped him become the brightest star in the sky.

On Wednesday, Years 1-6 all made the trip to St Alfege Church for their dress rehearsal and all I can say is wow, what a treat you have in store if you are coming along next week to see them. After a cold and dreary start to the week, their angelic voices and smiling faces were just what we all needed to spread some much-needed warmth and merriment.

So, if you haven't already, please make sure that you have read the Winter Newsletter (see link below) to find out details of all the upcoming festivities and use the links to book your tickets for the Year 1-6 shows taking place next Monday and Tuesday. We also ask that if you are no longer able to attend a show, you return your tickets so that other families are then able to book them.

I wish you all a restful weekend in preparation for the final week of term.

Kind regards,
Mrs Curtis



NATIONAL POETRY DAY COMPETITION

So many wonderful entries have been chosen for our **Young Writers: Imagine - Through The Eyes Of...** poetry competition, which we launched to celebrate National Poetry Day back in October. In this competition, children were asked to write a poem from another point of view. The parents of children chosen for publication have now been notified via letters from the Young Writers Team. Please can parents who have received one of these letters ensure they complete the permission for work to be published via pupil letter or the Young Writers online portal by Sunday 18th December. If permission is not received by this date, unfortunately their child's work cannot be published.

Friends of James Wolfe School

Hi everyone,



A massive thank you to all those that attended our Christmas Fair on Friday. We hope you all enjoyed it as much as we did. It was a lot of fun.

We really couldn't have done it without all the volunteers that gave their time to shop, set up, donate, be on the stalls and help clear away. It is a huge undertaking and we are truly grateful to all those involved. A special thank you to Santa for all his hard work, as always! We hope to have a total amount raised for next week's newsletter, so stay tuned!

Please follow/like us on Twitter/Facebook to find out more about what we do, as well as about upcoming social/fundraising events. All are welcome!

Email: friendsofJWS@gmail.com

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Twitter: <https://twitter.com/fjwsgreenwich>

IMPORTANT DATES

Autumn Term 2022

Monday 5th Dec. to Friday 16th December -- Year 4 Sun Daily Swimming Course
Monday 5th Dec. to Friday 16th Dec. -- Year 4 Mercury Daily Swimming Course
Thursday 8th Dec. to Friday 9th December -- Reception Christmas Performances
Friday 9th December -- Randall Place Advent Window Opening (3:30pm)
Monday 12th Dec. to Tuesday 13th December -- Year 1-6 Christmas Performances
Wednesday 14th December -- Randall Place Christmas Dinner
Thursday 15th December -- School Choir Carol Singing Trip to Canary Wharf
Thursday 15th December -- Royal Hill Christmas Dinner
Friday 16th December -- Royal Hill Advent Window Opening (3:15pm)
Friday 16th December -- Class Parties - Children May Wear Party Clothes
Friday 16th December -- Last Day of Term

Spring Term 2023

Tuesday 3rd January -- First Day of Term - INSET DAY
Wednesday 4th January -- Years R-6 Return to School
Wednesday 4th January -- Nursery Closed
Thursday 5th January -- Nursery Children Return to School
Friday 6th January -- Year 5 Rugby Gala (Hervey Road Sports Ground)
Monday 9th January -- Year 3 Poplar Trip to Horniman Museum
Monday 9th January -- Year 4-6 Centre Trip to Workshop at Imperial War Museum
Tuesday 17th January -- Year 4 Choir Trip to Young Voices at the O2
Wednesday 18th January -- Year 3 Oak Trip to Horniman Museum
Wednesday 18th January -- Year 5 Jupiter & Neptune Trips to Maritime Museum
Wednesday 18th January -- Girls' Football Fixture Day at Meridian Sports Ground
Friday 20th January -- Year 2 Trip to Tower of London

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Mon 19th - Wed 21st December
10:30am-3:30pm



Christmas Craft



Science Experiments



Variety of Sports



Lots of fun!



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SEASON 2022



Join The Strings Club for a jam-packed week of festive fun!

Running during the lead-up to a special festive time for all, we guarantee that children at The Strings Club Holiday Camps will leave us feeling happy, inspired and ready for a magical Christmas.

Dates: Mon 19th Dec - Thu 22nd Dec 2022

Each morning will include fun-filled Ukulele, Guitar or Violin sessions where children will learn some Christmas classics. Free hire of an instrument to take home too!

Afternoons include unmissable workshops based on their theme of the week "Festive Fun". These include:

- ▲ Harry Potter's Yule Ball
- ▲ Tchaikovsky's "Nutcracker"
- ▲ Christmas Carol
- ▲ Panto (oh no you don't!)
- ▲ Plus much much more!

Don't miss out on our End of Holiday Camp Grand Concert too!

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- ♥ Your Friend: can also claim 10% off their booking with us

Visit www.thestingsclub.org or call our Head Office team on 0121 296 9204.

Why Consider Us?

- ☑ EYFS Ofsted-registered so we can welcome children aged 4 all day
- ☑ Feel free to book one day to the whole experience
- ☑ Free hire of an instrument
- ☑ £50 per day plus 10% sibling discount
- ☑ Qualified, experienced, fully DBS checked team
- ☑ Standard hours and Extended Hours available
- ☑ Childcare vouchers and tax-free childcare accepted

We look forward to seeing you soon!



Arty Party

Christmas Workshops
Monday 12th - Friday 30th December 2022
9.00am - 3.00pm Daily

Join us this Christmas as we take a peek into Santa's workshop! We'll be heading to the North Pole to help prepare all the presents for Santa's sleigh. Get all your Christmas presents sorted this holiday as we make...

Fabulous Felt Decorations, Gorgeous Gingerbread House Boxes, Stunning Stag Heads, Marvellous Mirrors, Miniature Self-Portraits, Wonderful Whale Candlestick Holders ... Oooh and all the usual Fun & Games!

In a week your child will make a wonderful array of creations using high quality artist materials. We'll be taking inspiration from contemporary artists & favourite children's stories.

Learning how to make 3D sculptures, observational drawings, painting with different mediums and techniques such as screen printing.
Arty Party will unleash your child's creative talents!

To Book Please Visit:
WWW.ARTYPARTY.CO.UK
Cost £45 per day

Children must be 5 years & above
Please provide a 'nut free' packed lunch & an overall.
Booking is for a minimum of 2 consecutive days
We accept childcare vouchers!

For any more information please email or call us:
020 8675 7055 john@artyparty.co.uk

WHERE TO FIND US...

Wimbledon: The Lecture Hall, Lingfield Road, SW19 4QD - 12th, 22nd & 28th - 30th Dec
Belham: Endlesham Hall, 48 Endlesham Road, SW12 8JL - 19th, 22nd & 28th - 30th Dec
Wandsworth: Romany Scout Hut, 22a Lyford Road, SW18 3LG - 19th - 22nd Dec
Clapham: St Paul's Church Hall, Rectory Grove, SW4 0DX - 19th - 22nd Dec
Blackheath: St Michael's Church Hall, 1 Pond Rd, SE3 3JL - 19th - 22nd Dec

New! Dulwich: Dulwich Sports Ground, Turney Road, SE21 7JL - 19th - 22nd Dec

Scan me!

Royal Greenwich Together
HOLIDAY FOOD and FUN

Children who receive free school meals can get a free holiday club place in Royal Greenwich.

With Holiday Food and Fun there are activity clubs across the borough ready to provide everything from football to arts and crafts, at no cost to parents.

No need to worry about what to do with the kids outside of school - sign up now!

royalgreenwich.gov.uk/holidayfoodandfun

Department for Education ROYAL Borough of GREENWICH

Children and young people who are eligible for benefits-related free school meals can get a free holiday club place this Christmas. The Royal Greenwich Holiday Food and Fun programme is back, offering families free holiday club spaces over the festive break. Every club will provide a healthy lunch, as well as activities ranging from coding to gymnastics - and everything inbetween. Children aged between 4 and 16, and receiving or eligible for benefits-related free school meals, can claim a spot. Clubs are inclusive to children and young people with SEND, and some clubs can provide additional support such as small groups, 1:1 or specialist support. Holiday Food and Fun will run between December 19th and December 30th -- families should contact clubs directly to book their space. For more information, please visit <http://royalgreenwich.gov.uk/holidayfoodandfun>, or <https://www.royalgreenwich.gov.uk/holidaymeals> for times and locations of free meals.



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Parent drop in



- Our service is open to all families of school-aged children across Greenwich.
- We advise and support in child health issues such as, Healthy Weight, toileting, fussy eating, behaviour, sleep and much more...

At this session we will be discussing dental hygiene and how to find a dentist.



Address: **The Valley, Floyd Road, Charlton London SE7 8BL**
 Date: **Wednesday 14th December 2022**
 Time: **10am to 11am**



0208 317 6319



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Winter Newsletter 2022

WINTER NEWSLETTER

Our Winter Newsletter, which gives details of school events running over the Christmas period and links for booking performance tickets, can be found at <https://www.jameswolfe.greenwich.sch.uk/s/Year-N-6-Winter-Newsletter-Nov-2022.pdf>.



CHANGE TO YEAR 6 SATS DATES

An additional bank holiday in honour of the Coronation of His Majesty King Charles III will take place on Monday 8th May 2023. As this date had previously been announced as the first day of the 2023 Key Stage 2 (KS2) test week in England, a change to the KS2 test schedule next year will be necessary.

Ministers have considered the situation carefully and have decided that KS2 tests will take place in the same week, with tests following the usual order but each taking place one day later than originally planned. As such, the new schedule will be:

- Tuesday 9th May: English Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling (GPS) Papers 1 (questions) and 2 (spelling)
 - Wednesday 10th May: English Reading paper
- Thursday 11th May: Mathematics Papers 1 (arithmetic) and 2 (reasoning)
 - Friday 12th May: Mathematics Paper 3 (reasoning)



PLAYGROUND

Whilst we encourage parents and children to socialise after school and enjoy the large physical equipment after school hours, please remember it is a parent's responsibility to remain with their child at all times to supervise their safe play. Children should be discouraged from climbing on the house roof at all times and are not allowed to take the bikes, scooters, balls or equipment from the Randall Place playground. These resources are used for teaching-related activities during the school day and we do not want them to be damaged or lost.

Please be aware that a member of the Senior Leadership Team and Mr Price will now be asking all parents and children to vacate the playground from 3:45pm daily.

Many thanks for your support.



DOGS

Please note that dogs are not allowed on the school premises. If you walk to school with a dog, please make sure they are on a lead, as some children are very frightened of dogs -- and, they do bite. Please also ensure they are not left alone - for example, tied to a lamp post.



COATS

Please can parents ensure their child(ren) bring a coat to school, as many pupils are still not doing so, despite the cold and wet weather. Please can parents also make sure their child takes the correct coat at the end of the day and, should the wrong coat end up at home, it is returned to school the next day.



ROAD SAFETY

Concerns have been raised by members of the community regarding how children are crossing roads on the way to and from school, particularly running into the road after their friends and even encouraging each other to do so. The dangers of this behaviour need no explaining and if your children walk to and from school unaccompanied, please talk to them about the importance of road safety. Thank you for your support in this.



PAYMENTS

This year, all payments, with the exception of those for school dinners, are being made on SchoolMoney. This includes payments for music lessons, school trips and Nursery lunchtime supervision/top-ups. To log into SchoolMoney, please visit <https://login.eduspot.co.uk/public/portal/parent/?app=schoolmoney&source=website&version=20190314>. Passwords are sent out in the message with each payment request, unless you have changed it yourself, and receipts are automatically generated and emailed after payment. If you need any assistance with making payments, please contact the school office.

Please note that school dinners will remain payable on Pupil Asset only.



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