



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 1st December 2017

Year 1 Orchestra 'Sit-in' Visit

Last Friday, Year 1 went to hear the Academy of Ancient Music orchestra play Bach's B minor mass on their original instruments. The children were able to actually sit amongst the musicians! They said the music made them feel 'calm', 'comfortable', 'relaxed' and 'very, very happy'! We are very grateful to London Music Masters for this fantastic opportunity.



Cycle Training & Clean Air Donations

This week, Year 1 have been having cycle training, on our fabulous balance bikes. This is a great introduction to bike riding, and provides them with a really useful life skill.

We are also delighted to have been given some of the incredibly forward-thinking inventions from the Oxford St clean air street—a 'clean air bench', benches with in-built planters for our new garden and a whole living wall! Thank you to Air Labs and New West End for these donations.



Dojo Point News:



Here are this week's hot chocolate winners, talking about their favourite books in our lovely library.

Coffee Mornings & Parenting Info

Thursday 7th December, 9.00:

Year 1 Parents Coffee Morning - Your 5 or 6 year old: the joys and challenges. Come to find out help and tips for supporting your child. Please see Mrs Leith if you are interested in the **Anna Freud** free parenting group which starts from January: 'Helping to Understand your Child's Behaviour'.

Christmas Dates



EYs trip to the puppet theatre—

Tuesday 5th December

Music Masters concert (Y1-4 performing) - 6th Dec at 2.30

Christmas Jumper Day—Friday 8th December *please bring in £1 for Save the Children*

Christmas Fair—Friday 8th December at 3.15

Christingle Service in St Mary's church—Sunday 10th December at 11am (school choir singing)

Carol Service in church—Thursday 14th December 2.00 →

PLEASE COLLECT YOUR CHILD FROM CHURCH at 3.00 (F1 & F2), 3.05 (Y1&2), 3.10 (Y3&4), 3.15 (Y5&6)

EYFS Christmas play—Friday 15th December at 1.45

KS1 Christmas play—Monday 18th December at 1.45

KS2 Christmas play—Tuesday 19th December at 1.45

KS1 trip to see The Snowman—Tuesday 19th December

End of Term—1.15pm Wednesday 20th December

First Day of Term—9.00 Wednesday 3rd January

Advent Challenges

We are all looking forward to counting down to



Christmas. In each class, there is a special Advent calendar, made by Kirstine from St Mary's church, with challenges the children have created to prepare for Christmas and also bring

more kindness and compassion to the world around them. Do ask your children about their Advent challenge of the day!

I hope you have a lovely weekend—wrap up warm! Take care,
Emily Norman, Headteacher

