



# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## Friday 2nd November 2018

### **This week, we have been...**

Mixing with celebrities! On Monday, children in Year 6 went to greet the guests arriving on the red carpet at the Pride of Britain awards. They loved seeing some of their idols, including footballers, X Factor contestants (past and present), Ellie Goulding and Tim Peake. There are some pictures on the website of their celebrity selfies!

### **Ms Ascough**

Ms Ascough will be swapping her Thursday at St Mary's for a Wednesday, so she will now be here on Mondays (half day), Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

### **School Gates**

The gates open at 8:45am. Please stay with your child until they are open and encourage them to walk sensibly into the playground. Thank you.

### **Nurse**

We have a new school nurse, Kelly Wilday, who will be working with us this year. She will be in the playground most Thursday mornings if you have any questions for her, or you can book an appointment to see her if there is something you would like to discuss confidentially.

### **Apology**

We would like to apologise for the confusion that has arisen after handing out the attendance target cards yesterday. The attendance percentage is based on your child's attendance during the **summer term (April - July)**. Their target is for the **autumn term (September - December)**. I'm really sorry that we didn't make this clear to you.

I know that lots of children are already well on their way to meeting their target which is brilliant!

### **Winter Windows**

Last term, some of our pupils entered the Westminster 'Winter Windows' competition. Today we found out that five of them have had their artwork chosen to be made into huge stained glass windows which will be displayed in Leicester Square! Well done to Heidi, Chi Wan, Haidar, Susan and Rooh.

### **Petition**

There is a petition opposing proposed building work on the site of the Luxborough Street playground. Here is the link if you would like to sign it: <http://petitions.westminster.gov.uk/LuxboroughSOS/>

### **Attendance Champions**

Our school attendance target is 96% and we need everyone's help to help us reach it! Each week, we celebrate the class who have the best attendance.

**This week our attendance champions are Y3 with 98.6%—well done!**



F1 97%; F2 97%; Y1 97%; Y2 96%; Y4 98%; Y5 97%; Y6 97%

This was our second week with every class having more than 96% attendance - a brilliant start to the term!

### **Assemblies**

Friday 9th November - F2

Friday 16th November - F1

Friday 23rd November - Year 6

Friday 30th November - Year 5

Friday 7th December - Year 4

### **Dates**

Thursday 8th November - individual and sibling photos

Friday 9th November - Friends' of St Mary's Monster Ball: see posters for more details

Please see the website for details of the Christmas performance dates.

**I hope you all had a restful and rejuvenating half term break. If you are attending fireworks this weekend, please follow the firework code and stay safe.**

**Libby Granite, Head of School**

