



School Newsletter

Friday 18th January 2019

Academic year 2018-19

Number 13

Dear Parents and Carers,

Assembly next week – Change of day

We had an assembly scheduled next Thursday focussed on Christian Unity, which is led by Y6. However, owing to the Swimming Gala on Thursday, the assembly has been rescheduled to Friday morning at 9.00am. Canon John will be attending. Parents are welcome.

Parent Helpers & DBS checks

A reminder that parent helpers for trips now are required to have a current DBS check issued by the school. This is enforced from the start of this term. To date only about 20 parents have completed the process, although a larger number of forms were given out and registrations commenced. Please complete this process if you have started it and want to help out. Anyone else who wishes to secure a DBS check and help on trips please see the office. I anticipate that unless we have a larger pool of volunteers we may have a problem with ratios on trips as we move through the term. Thanks for your support.

Attendance:

A number of attendance letters were sent out this week. We monitor attendance regularly. If anyone has an attendance query, please feel free to come and see me.

Y4 Residential letter

I sent a letter to Y4 parents earlier this week. We have a meeting on Monday evening at 4.30pm about our Hindleap Warren visit in May. I'm sending the initial letter out again tonight. Please try to attend the meeting. It will be useful.

PTA News:

Don't forget Coffee and Cake from the Pannett Classroom at the end of the school day today. Thanks to the PTA committee for providing this.

There's a PTA meeting on Tuesday 22nd January - All Welcome! Come and join the debate!

Xmas Jumpers:

No sure what to do with last year's Xmas Jumpers? Please donate them to the PTA - we'll be accepting donations all year, so please ask friends and family to dig theirs out and donate them too. We'll be arranging a box to put them in, however for now please hand your donations to the office. Thank you so much! **(We've had some donations – thanks – could always have more!)**

Interested in being a boy chorister?

For boys aged 6-10 who like to sing – Come and see what it is like to be a Minster Chorister at Croydon Minster. An open day is being held on Sunday 27th January 3pm-7.30pm. Flyers

available on request at the school office or email Mr. Ronny Krippner
organist@croydonminster.org .

Also a flyer for boys aged 6 or 7 for Westminster Catholic Cathedral School, the world's leading Catholic choir which has an open morning is on 3rd February. Again, flyers available in the office.

Sports News:

Our Hockey team played in a tournament at Croydon High School on Wednesday afternoon. It was a tough tournament and we won all of our games and came first overall. It was our first tournament using heavy wooden hockey sticks! This qualifies us for the next round in the Croydon finals on February 4th. All the players played really well and we deserved to get in the finals. Thanks to Coach Kiera and Mr. Jones for taking us. By Dylan C, Ollie, Charlotte, Charlie M, Natasha, Richandy and Kuba.

On Tuesday we played Attwood in the Croydon Schools Cup. Straight from the off we battled hard to earn a goal from Ollie. Margaret Roper had so many chances it was unbelievable that we were only 1-0 up at the break. After half time, we started sharp and we earned a smashing goal by Dan M. We continued to play really well and Ollie gained another goal from Archie's shot which rebounded. The final score was 3-0 to Margaret Roper. Charlie was awarded man of the match. Now we're in the semi-finals of the Croydon Schools Cup. Report by Ollie & Adam.

Good luck to our cross country runners at Woodcote School tomorrow. We meet at 9.15am. It's not too late to join us to run for the school. Wrap up warm as it will be cold! ***I am really short of school athletics shirts and there must be many at home. PLEASE bring them with you if you have them. I've issued what I have to children running today, but we haven't got quite enough. Have a rummage parents, please.***

Good luck to our football team, netball team and swimming team all competing next week.

Woodcote Junior FC are looking for players. Open trials for the U11 team (Y6) is on 19th January between 9.30 and 11am at Woodcote Primary School. For info call/text Peter on 07776 212 504

	Stars of the week	Star Writer
Red Class	Ellie & Ashvini	Thomas
Orange Class	Santiago & Avon	James
Yellow Class	Christ-Victory & Thomas C	Maria
Green Class	Rajarshi & Alex	James
Blue Class	Henry & Shavero	Inca
Sapphire Class	Ted & Harry	Jack
Indigo Class	<i>Apologies to Charlie & Natasha for last week – I didn't put their names in.</i> This week's stars are Georgia & Jack D.	
Violet Class	Evans & Tomas	Max

House of the week: St Bernadette. Well done!