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### **A Creative Half Term**

Our Christian value this half term has been 'Creativity' and we have encouraged the children to find that creative, spiritual spark inside, to express themselves and to help others. There has been some wonderful work in classes, particularly art work and of course Young Voices. Our gymnastics and other sports teams also represented us brilliantly. I was also lucky enough to join Year 6 on a 'Faith Trail' this week and this was both interesting but also showed the ability of the older children to think and ask questions, in a mature manner. Year 6 have been excellent role models this half term and we are very proud of them and indeed all your children.

The celebration assembly with Yearning for Learning awards, is a great way to end the half term. Your children have been absolutely fabulous, with many highlights. I especially liked the brilliant attendance at Parents Morning and, of course, Reception class' Valentines biscuits, which have raised enough money for a bench in a sensory garden at St George's Nursing Home. We also raised money for stationery equipment for our partner school in South Africa and anyone who saw on Facebook how delighted the children there were, will know how much that was appreciated.

### **A Bophelo Visit - Shine Project**

You may have seen from our Facebook the great work Mrs Ellis and Mrs Morrison are doing in Mamelodi and how much both they and the children are learning. Both schools benefit as the children learn about their world from each other- today there is a joint video link up. Both schools have created materials for the other to work with in class. We are very lucky the British Council funds this partnership and look forward to hosting our visitors next time.

### **Clubs**

A clubs letter will go out in the first week back. Please look out for it when it comes. Clubs will commence on the second week beginning Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March.

### **Playground Responsibility at Home Time**

Can you make sure, when dropping children off and picking them up, that you are still keeping an eye on them in the playground. Before the children are collected by the class teacher in the morning and after they have been collected by you in the afternoon, in the playground, they are your responsibility. It's hard for little ones especially, to understand that this isn't a version of playtime, where they are supervised, so please just be mindful of this. Thank you.

### Key Dates Next Half Term

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Details</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> March	WORLD BOOK DAY	Whole school	A day later than the national one to accommodate swimming and make sure costumes can be worn!
Week Beginning 9 <sup>th</sup> March	SCIENCE WEEK	Whole School	Details to follow
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter Service Hot Cross Buns, drinks and table top sale	10am in St George's Church followed by event in Church hall afterwards	All welcome to both the service and the table top sale, which is raising money for our school library

### Attendance at Half- Way Point in School Year

<b>Reception</b>	93%	Year 4	96%
Year 1	93%	Year 5	96%
Year 2	94%	Year 6	96%
Year 3	96%		

We will be focusing particularly on attendance in Reception, Year 1 and 2 next half term as they are below the expected national level of 95%.

HAVE A FABULOUS HOLIDAY AND WE WILL SEE YOU ALL ON MONDAY FEBRUARY 24th