



# School News



Issue 6: Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2017

## Christmas Fair feedback

Our fair was yet again a triumph!

Thank you, **Nadine**, for your excellent leadership of the Friends Association and to everyone who worked so hard to make last Friday such a success, especially **Alison, Sandra** and **Rachida!**

Thank you to the **Angela Burdett-Coutts Trustees, Starbucks, Westminster Kingsway College and Sainsbury's** who donated additional items, food and money to the school.

The Friends held a review meeting and summarised the following points

### **What went well.....**

- ✓ Year 1 brought in the most items – well done Burningham class!
- ✓ The fair was a well organised event: thank you to Nadine for being an effective chair and to all parents who attended the meetings, gave their time to collect donations; set up the stalls and for useful ideas and suggestions.
- ✓ The fair was very well attended and publicised ( thank you Narissa for the flyers)
- ✓ The texts helped to remind parents to attend.
- ✓ Parents gave very generous donations – thank you!

### **Even better if....**

- The fair was held in late November next year (**proposed date Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November**); starting at 3.30pm and held in the ground floor hall (for the stalls that sell toys, crafts and bric a brac) and in the middle floor hall (for the grotto and stalls that sell food and drink) - no stalls outside.
- We don't hold the fair at the same time as raising money for major charities like this year's NSPCC (they raised £744.93)

- and Tearfund (they have raised £45 so far and there are 2 more discos to go).
- More time was given to set up the stalls – new set up time of 1.30pm (this would mean that on the day of the fair, lunch would end at 1pm for both KS1 & KS1)
- Christmas Sparkle day was on the day of the fair.
- A week before the fair that the school have a *Wear your own Clothes day* where children pay a £1 to wear their own clothes and bring in their Christmas Fair donation
- Charge £1 for food / drink items.

<u>Stalls</u>	<u>Profit 2017</u>
Choir	N/A
Photo booth	£32
Lucky Dip	N/A
Face painting	£60.80
Bouncy Castle	£103.75
Santa's grotto	£82.90
Bric-a-brac	£74.35
Raffle	£274
Hot food	£44.30
Cold food	£115.00
Starbucks coffee , tea & hot chocolate	£101.50
Cold drinks	£61.02
Cakes & sweets	£18.92
Pin the tail on the reindeer	£2.60
Tombola	£60.75
Christmas Decoration Table	£34.40
Christmas Sparkle Day 7 <sup>th</sup> December	£82.17
Hair accessories & jewellery	£34.60
Total profit	<b>£1,183.06</b>



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## Welcome back!

We are delighted to welcome back Mrs Camplin. Mrs Camplin is one of our **Assistant Headteacher's** and the **SENco**. She returned from her maternity leave this week. You may recall that in February she gave birth to her son Rafe. We have missed you Ella!



## Dates for your diary – Autumn Term 2017

**Mrs O'Brien** was the interim SENco in Mrs Camplin's absence. Thank you for your work Mia!

If parents / carers would like to meet with Mrs Camplin to discuss their child's special educational needs, please contact the office to make an appointment.

**NB: Mrs Camplin works on Wednesday, Thursdays and Fridays.**

## Black History

We are continuing to learn about inspiring black people throughout the year. During December, pupils will be learning about the contributions and achievements of:

**Chi-chi Nwanoku** and **Sheku Kanneh-Mason**



Dates	Events
<b>December 2017</b>	
<b>Friday 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>SCHOOL CLOSED FOR STAFF TRAINING</b>
<b>Monday 18<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10am &amp; 2pm, KS2 Christmas Play (for parents of children in Years 3-6)</b>
<b>Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>1.45-3.15 – year 5 singing at the Abbey Community Centre 3.45-4.45pm, Year 6 DISCO!</b>
<b>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>10am, Christingle service Last Day of the autumn term  SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 1.30pm</b>

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## Christmas Services at St Stephen's

You are most welcome to join Graham and Catherine at **St Stephen's** for the following services:

- **6pm, Sunday 17th December, Carol Service**
- **4.30pm, Christmas Eve, Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> December, Children's Crib service**
- **11pm, Christmas Eve, Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> December, Midnight Mass**
- **10am, Christmas Day, Monday 25<sup>th</sup> December, Festival Family Eucharist**
- **10am, Boxing Day, Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> December, Festival Patronal Eucharist for St Stephen's Day**

Dear parents and carers,

Thank you for attending our Nine Lessons Service and Christmas productions and for your support throughout 2017.

*May the joy of the angels, the eagerness of the shepherds, the perseverance of the wise men, the obedience of Joseph and Mary and the peace of the Christ-child be yours this Christmas; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. Amen.*



Wishing you a blessed Christmas and all the best for 2018. See you on **Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2018!**

**Mrs Dyer and  
Burdett-Coutts staff**

## Dates for your diary- Spring Term 2018

Dates	Events
<b>January 2018</b>	
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	SCHOOL CLOSED for staff training
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Pupils return to school
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Reception Open Morning 9.15-9.45am for <b>2018 Reception intake parents and carers</b>
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup>	9am, <b>Science</b> Coffee morning for parents and carers
Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Epiphany
Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Reception Open Morning 9.15-9.45am for <b>2018 Reception intake parents and carers</b>
<b>February 2018</b>	
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup>	9am, <b>RE</b> Coffee morning for parents and carers
<b>5<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> February – Science Week</b>	
12 <sup>th</sup> – 16 <sup>th</sup> February – Half Term Shrove Tuesday – 13 <sup>th</sup> February Ash Wednesday, the start of Lent – 14 <sup>th</sup> February	
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	9am, <b>PSHE</b> Coffee morning for parents and carers
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Shrove Tuesday – Pancake Day
<b>26<sup>th</sup> February – 2<sup>nd</sup> March – Book Week</b>	
<b>March 2018</b>	
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup>	St David's Day
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	World Book Day
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup>	9am, <b>Collective Worship</b> Coffee morning for parents and carers
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Parents' Evening
Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup>	St Patrick's Day
<b>26<sup>th</sup> -31<sup>st</sup> March – Holy week</b>	
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Last Day of the spring term SCHOOL CLOSSES AT 1.30pm

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