

STAR PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS LETTER



December 2019

Head Teacher's Message

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am delighted to tell you that Star Primary won first place in one category and second in another in a recent speechmaking competition we took part in. Thanks to the wonderful speeches by Rildwan and Tegan in Year 5 and input from our very talented Ms Black, we knocked the socks off the other schools. Well done to our two young school leaders. I am so proud of them.

I also wanted to mention the fantastic effort from our Year 5 poets who held a recital of their poetry at Elmhurst Primary School recently. This was based on their experiences in the South Downs. Thank you to Mr Luck who gave up his time to support the residential.

I am sure that you have enjoyed the Christmas concerts. Ms Marshall has worked very hard on the singing this year. Thank you to all those parents who supported their children's performance.

I would also like to take this opportunity to say goodbye to Mr Price and Ms Freeman who are moving on to pastures new. We thank them for all their hard work and wish them all the best for the future.

I would like to wish you all a peaceful festive season. As always I am thankful for the wonderful parents, children and staff at Star Primary.

Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

Ms Von

PS: Don't forget that school will close at 1pm on Friday.

Shooting Stars Charity Work

Once again our Year 4 children have been sending shooting stars into the community. This year we sent gift hampers to the elderly members of Canning Town. In school they were thinking about loneliness and how it affects elderly people. This has given them a valuable insight into the true meaning of charity work, particularly at this time of the year. Thank you for supporting the cake sale to raise money for this project. We raised an amazing £437.20 to spend creating the hampers.

Parent Information Meetings (PIM)

Spring Term Curriculum Meetings

9:00am in the Community Room

Thursday 9th January - Reception

Friday 10th January - Year 2

Monday 13th January - Year 6

Tuesday 14th January - Year 4

Wednesday 15th January - Year 5

Thursday 16th January - Year 3

Friday 17th January - Year 1



**Christmas Dinner/
Jumper Day on the 18th
December 2018. In the
afternoon, children
will be having their
Christmas class
parties.**

**School
re-opens on
the
6th January
2020**

Next terms topic will be:
The Earth Our Home. Amongst
other things we will be focussing
on Climate Change and the
impact this is having on our
futures. It would be great if over
the holidays your child could do
some reading/research around
this topic.

**Please make sure that
you are signed up and
regularly check your
Parent Mail
communication.
Admin staff can assist
you if you have any
problems.**

**Our Year 5 and 6's will
be singing in the
community at Rathbone
Market on **Thursday**. All
proceeds are going to
Richard House.**

Online Safety over the Festive Season:

- **Ask them to show you which social media apps they use and what they like about them. Talk about how they use them and what makes them so engaging**
- **Explain how you can use privacy settings to make sure only approved friends can see posts & images**
- **Check if any of their apps have 'geo-location' enabled, sharing their location unintentionally**
- **Show them how to report offensive comments or block people who upset them**
- **Check 'tagging' settings so that when others are posting or sharing photos online, your child's identity is not revealed. Also, get people's consent before sharing photos**
- **Encourage your child to come and talk to you if they see anything that upsets them**
- **Limit your child's screen time and supervise them online**