



Friars Primary Foundation School



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Dear Parents,

Christmas productions:

On Tuesday of this week the children of Friars did two performances for friends and family. The Early Years and Key Stage 1 children did a fantastic nativity called "Jesus' Christmas Party" and the Key Stage 2 children performed "Christmas through the ages" in which they recalled the WW1 truce in 1914, the 60s, 70s and 80s. Thankyou to all those parents and families who attended. We were all agreed that the children were amazing and there was a lovely festive atmosphere throughout.

Second hand book sale and Christmas jumper day:

We've been raising money for good causes! On Tuesday and Wednesday of this week, we hosted a second hand book sale to raise money for class libraries and we managed to make over £80. Today was also the Save the Children Christmas Jumper day and in return for wearing some very fancy knitwear we managed to raise £157.90. Thank you one and all!

Books as presents:

Today all children received an age appropriate book as a Christmas present. We must thank the PTFA who agreed to pay for them all. We hope your children enjoy them and keep reading over Christmas!

Joan's news:

Many of you will know that last year, Frankie Rose Lea, who is the granddaughter of Joan in our office was diagnosed with brain and spinal tumors. Joan wants to let you all know that after lots of treatment she is in remission and she thanks all the parents who have asked after her.

Final week of activity:

Aside from the Christmas productions, there has been a flurry of activity in this final week of term. On Wednesday, YR went on their annual pilgrimage to see the nativity trail at Battersea Park children's zoo. Y5 finished off their topic on the Victorians in fine style by paying a visit to the Ragged School museum which was opened by Dr Barnado. Yesterday, the choir and recorder group did a memorable performance of Christmas songs at Borough Market. And the children have also enjoyed their end of term parties. We are now all ready for a break!

Dates for the Spring term 2016:

Tuesday 5th January – Children return to school

Monday 11th January – Y3 start swimming

Tuesday 12th January – Y1 to the museum of childhood

Wednesday 13th January – Y6 on WW2 trip

Thursday 21st January – Y1 to the Science museum; football match @ GMH Park vs St Joseph's Camberwell 3:45

Thursday 28th January - football match @ GMH Park vs Bessemer Grange 3:45

Monday 1st February to Friday 5th February – Y6 Into University Week

Wednesday 3rd February – Pele and Zebe's roadtastic adventure for Y1 and Y2; Y4 to Hackney archaeological archive; Y1 Teddy bear hospital

Tuesday 9th February – Parent open morning 9:10 – 10:10

Thursday 11th February – Y5 to Southwark Playhouse to watch Macbeth

Monday 15th to Friday 19th February – half term break

Monday 22nd February – E-safety workshop for Y6 with Childnet; YR eye screening

Thursday 25th February – Y1 to Museum of London; Y6 to see War Horse @ New London Theatre

Monday 29th February – last swimming session for Y3

Tuesday 1st March – Y1 to Kew Gardens

Monday 7th March – Y2 start swimming

Tuesday 8th March – Spring term parent consultations

Wednesday 9th March - Spring term parent consultations

Thursday 24th March – last day of Spring term. No Playcentre

On behalf of the staff at Friars, we wish the whole community a very Happy Christmas and look forward to seeing you all on January 5th 2016!

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Have a great holiday!
Yours sincerely,
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