



# Newsletter 173

# FEBRUARY HALF TERM

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Dear Parents/Carers,

| Diary Dates                             |   |
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| 16 <sup>th</sup> – 20 <sup>th</sup> Feb | <i>Half Term</i>  |
| Thu 5 <sup>th</sup> Mar                 | World Book Day<br>9:15-10:30 Talking to your child about...growing up, relationships and using social media (all year groups) |
| Fri 6 <sup>th</sup> Mar                 | Class photos  |
| Thu 12 <sup>th</sup> Mar                | 9:15-10:30 Talking to your child about...growing up, relationships and using social media (KS2 families)                      |
| Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> Mar                | Red Nose Day  |
| WKBG 16 <sup>th</sup> Mar               | Science Week  |
| Tue 24 <sup>th</sup> Mar                | 10am Music Show   |
| Thu 26 <sup>th</sup> Mar                | Parent Consultation Evening   |
| Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> Mar                | Last day of Spring Term   |

### Collection from school

For security reasons we remind parents/carers they must call the school office if children will be collected by a different person so we can inform the class teacher. Where possible please call the office before 1:20pm.

### Nursery applications

If you have a child who was born between 01/09/2011 and 31/08/2012 then you need to apply for a Nursery place by Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2015. Forms can be picked up from the school office. Children are able to attend 5 full days 9:00-3:20pm, 5 mornings 9:00-12:00pm or 5 afternoons 12:15-3:20pm. Places will be allocated at the end of April 2015.

### NO PARKING



We remind you due to Health and Safety there is NO parking outside of the school gates at drop off and collection time. Lollipop Lady Jane will reinforce these rules as set by Islington Council but we kindly ask that you adhere; this is for the safety of the children!

## Attendance Matters



| Attendance for<br>Week beginning 02/02/2015 |        |
|---|--------|
| Nursery                                     | 93.85% |
| Reception                                   | 97.33% |
| Year 1                                      | 97.00% |
| Year 2                                      | 98.67% |
| Year 3                                      | 98.00% |
| Year 4                                      | 99.31% |
| Year 5                                      | 90.33% |
| Year 6                                      | 96.45% |

### Talking to your child about... growing up, relationships and using social media



#### Mobile phones, Facebook, BBM, internet chat rooms!

Just like many adults, young people enjoy using new technology to socialise with their peers. As your child grows and changes they will want to do this with increasing independence.

#### This workshop (run by a Healthy Schools representative) will help you to:

- consider the types of things you might want to talk about with your child, including what makes happy and healthy relationships
- feel confident to begin to engage children in conversations on these topics
- know what to say and how to explain things well to support your child with their 'online' social life

**The first session (5<sup>th</sup> March) is appropriate for all ages. The second session (12<sup>th</sup> March) is more suited to parents with children in Key Stage 2.**

Date: Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March (all)  
Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March (KS2)  
Time: 9:15am – 10:30am  
In: Lab\_13

Refreshments will be served

**We look forward to welcoming you!**

Wishing you all wonderful half term breaks,  
Mark Owen, Headteacher

### FoG News

FoG News..... Firstly a big thank you to all those who attended the last FoG meeting in Lab 13 - it was an excellent turnout and some great ideas were discussed which we hope to follow-up on in the next few months. One idea that we are looking into is setting up an after school film club so if there are any film enthusiasts that would like to get involved in running the club please talk to any of the FoG team. Secondly, please pencil the date on THURS 19<sup>th</sup> MARCH in your diaries for the annual parents/carers quiz night - it's a great, fun event - more details to follow after half-term. Finally as winter starts to recede (hopefully) thoughts turn to the summer fair - this year, due to the timing of Ramadan, we plan to hold it a week earlier than usual on SATURDAY 13<sup>th</sup> JUNE - if you want to get involved, please talk to any of the FoG team - we have already started collecting raffle prizes and have some great ones already. Enjoy your half-term break. The FoG Team