



# Friday 31st January 2020

PLEASE REMEMBER
TO NAME ALL
SCHOOL UNIFORM

### The Head Teacher writes:

Can you think of 30 things to be grateful for? This was a challenge thrown out as part of our Prep Assembly last week and several pupils have since come and shown me their lists. Unsurprisingly and pleasingly, many of their suggestions include family, friends and basic home comforts. Thankfully not too many things on the lists involved consumable or material products!

The concept was part of a wider discussion on what makes us happy and whether there are links between how we see ourselves, our attitude – positive or otherwise, and our perceived levels of confidence. Quite hard things for young people to consider and reflect upon. However, they are becoming increasingly good at self-reflection, indeed every year group now has a dedicated time during the week to do just that and for many pupils (and the staff) it has become a favourite time.

My list could be filled and filled again. Each day brings knocks on my door or encounters in the corridors or lunch hall; pupils desperate to show me their work, share some exciting news, explain how someone has been kind or a request to play in assembly.

Each day is different with its challenges and joys but 30 things? Easy. Being Head of this amazing school means my cup runneth over...

## **YOUNG VOICES CONCERT AT 02 ARENA**

Last week the Prep choir made up of pupils from Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 travelled up to the O2 Arena to join thousands of other school children to sing in a mass choir. Hear what Year 6 thought about the experience.

'The O2 was an amazing experience, even though it was extremely tiring!

I thoroughly enjoyed it.'

'Young Voices was great fun. My favourite part was the big dance and the best medley was definitely the Queen medley'











'Going to the O2 was exhilarating, especially the actual concert. The atmosphere was incredible and so was the singing'

'I made a special effort to really enjoy myself as this was my last time at Young Voices, but I didn't need to try! My favourite part was the Urban Strides Interactive because we all got to dance with our parents.

Overall, it's been one of the best days of my school year and I know how much I will miss it next year!'

#### **SPECIAL AWARDS – WELL DONE!**

The following pupils have been awarded Excellence Awards from Mrs Foulger:

Martha (6) – Excellent encouragement and team support
Daisy (6) – Excellent encouragement and team support
Phoenix (5) – Excellent History work
Harriet (3) – 30 things to be grateful for

Florence (3) – Excellent History work
Thor (3) – Excellent computer programming

Thomas (2) – Excellent improvement in English

## **ECO-COMMITTEE**



Today, Mrs Page and Mrs Blaza met with the class ECO representatives. They considered the progress made on current initiatives such as turning lights off in classrooms, collecting and composting food waste and recycling paper. The children are very keen to 'do their bit' and have their say. Future plans include putting suggestion boxes (made by the reps) in every classroom, design posters for the lunch hall and speak to the chefs regarding portion sizes to reduce food waste.

The litter pickers are being used regularly and with great enthusiasm by pupils from all year groups.

Let's continue to work together to reduce our carbon footprint and clean up our environment.

# PRE-RECEPTION AND RECEPTION CELEBRATE CHINESE NEW YEAR









#### **DATES AUTUMN TERM 2019**

Next week:

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> NSPCC Number Day Y6 Netball v Colfe's (H)

**FEBRUARY** 

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> Breadmaking with Holroyd Howe

Y3/4 netball v St Dunstan's (A)

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> Safer Internet Day

Wednesday 12th Y1 and Y2 Royal Observatory
Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> Y3 Tutankhamun Exhibition
Reception visit to Beckenham

Fire Station

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> Y6 Football v Farrington's (H)

Monday 17th to Friday 21st February

**HALF TERM** 

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> Inset Day

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> Y3 and Y4 Football Club begins

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> Sensational Science

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> Y5 and Y6 Football Club begins

ISA Netball @ Lingfield College

**MARCH** 

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> ISA Cross Country @ Radnor

House

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> Parent Interview Week

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> Life Bus

Y3 Netball v Blackheath Prep

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> World Book Day

Life Bus

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> ISA Football

U11 mixed hockey at

St Dunstan's

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> Crystal Palace Cross Country Monday 9<sup>th</sup> Y5 and Y6 St David's Dash Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> Quiz Club Competition

Westminster

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> PTA

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> Sensational Science Friday 13<sup>th</sup> 9.30am Sports Relief Quiz

Staff v Prep Pupils

Y5 Netball @ Farrington's

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Y5 & Y6 Football v Edgebury (H)

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> Bromley Festival

PTA Quiz Night

SHAKESPEARE WEEK

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> Y6 to The Globe

Y4 Assembly

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> Y4 Netball v Blackheath (A)

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> Y4 Tate Gallery

Y5 and Y6 Fencing exhibition

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> Y1 – Y5 Freshwater Theatre

FRIDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> OPEN MORNING

9.30AM TO 11.30AM

Y6 Netball v Babington (A)

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> Bromley Festival
Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> PTA Easter Egg Hunt

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> to Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March Y5 to Carroty Wood

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> End of Spring Term