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Dear Parents,

Get Ready

It was lovely to welcome so many Year 4, 5 and 6 parents to 'Get Ready' this morning. How reassuring for us all to know we are working together in the interests of our children as we prepare for their transition to secondary school. Please note that if you wish to find out more information about secondary schools, you may be interested in attending the Independent School Show London 2019. It is held at Battersea Evolution in Battersea Park, SW11 4NJ on Saturday 9 November 10.00-17.00 and Sunday 10 November - 10.30 – 16.30. For free tickets prior to the event, go to www.schoolsshow.co.uk

Reception Diamonds – Dolphin Garden



Our Reception children have been exploring the garden this week. They discovered a dead bee and the tallest sunflower they had ever seen.

If you have been growing your sunflower over the holidays (Reception to Year 3), please bring in your measurements, in centimetres, of the length of your sunflower and a photo of it too. We are looking forward to seeing all of your sunflowers!

Monday evening – Dolphin Launch

After the weekend, it is the Dolphin Launch – on Monday 16 September. We would love all parents to attend. Please enter through the Northcote door.

18.00-18.30 An opportunity to visit your child's classroom and meet his/her teacher or an invitation to drinks in the Church.

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You can choose to arrive at 18.00, proceeding first to meet your class teacher, and then heading to the church at 18.30 for the talk, or alternatively you can arrive at 18.30 for the talk in the church, and go on afterwards to the class teacher's talk at 19.00. If you have two children, you will need to arrive at 18.00 and see the first class teacher, then proceed to the church for the main talk, and then visit the next class teacher at 19.00. If you have three children or more, you will ideally need two representatives or you could pop into half of each! There will be drinks in the Church between 18.00-18.30, and 19.00-19.30, so do feel free to come and mingle if you have a spare slot. Whichever route you choose, the evening will end by 19.30. Please note, that the evening is for adults; unfortunately we are unable to offer any child care facilities.

Class teachers will be working as a team in each year group to give you a flavour of life in that particular form. Please proceed to the following venues:

Reception: Miss Smith's room

- Year 1: Mrs Holland's room
- Year 2: Miss Malcolm's room
- Year 3: Mrs Colman's room
- Year 4 Miss Ting's room
- Year 5: Mrs Shahpazova's room
- Year 6: Mrs Githae's room

Summer Reading Challenge

If your child took part in the Northcote library Summer Reading Challenge and you have received a certificate directly from them, please bring it to school by Wednesday 18 September. We will award the certificates during Assembly on Friday 20 September.

Macmillan Coffee Morning 27 September

We will be holding a coffee morning in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support from 08.45-09.30 in the Hall, on Friday 27 September. Please bake cakes to support this event so that we can raise money for this good cause. All donations (edible or monetary) will be gratefully received.

The Foodbank and Year 5 Topaz Harvest Assembly 27 September

We will be supporting the Wandsworth Foodbank again this year with our Harvest gifts. The Foodbank has particularly requested the following items:

- Tinned Fruit
- Tinned Sweetcorn
- Tinned Peas
- Tinned Carrots
- Tinned Meat (eg Corned Beef)
- UHT Milk

- Long-life Juice/squash
- Tinned Rice Pudding
- Tinned Sponge Pudding
- Strong Carrier Bags

The Foodbank has plenty of pasta and baked beans at present, so are not looking for donation of these items. Also, please do not send in fresh produce. Thank you so much for your support. We ask that children bring in their donations from Wednesday 25 – Friday 27 September.

Sports Report

Monday 9 September Y5/Y6 Girls' Netball A team - Streatham and Clapham Netball Tournament

After only one session together, the girls played very well and we finished with one draw and two losses. Special mention to Lourdes and Agatha for good movement and focus.

Year 5 Parents' Secondary School Meetings

Please note the letter sent out to you today, alerting you to sign up for individual meetings with the Senior Team regarding possible secondary schools for your child.

Reminder for Reception Parents

We look forward to having our Reception children in school for full days on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday from next week.

Dates	Times
16 September – 18 October	Monday, Tuesday, Thursday - full days (pick up at15.25)
Half Term	Wednesday & Friday- half days (pick up at 12.25)
November until the end of term	Monday, Tuesday, Thursday - full days Friday - half days Wednesday optional half days

Assembly tomorrow

Our Friday Assembly, to which parents are always warmly invited, will take place tomorrow at 11.15

Parent Drop in and Parents' Prayers

Tomorrow morning from 8.30 – 8.45 Year 1 parents only are invited to visit the classrooms. Parents' Prayers will take place in the Music Room at 08.50.

Wish best wishes

N. S. Baldwin

Mrs N. S. Baldwin Principal

Upcoming Events and Sporting Fixtures

AUTUMN TERM 2019 Summer or Winter uniform until half term				
Friday 13 Sept	Parents' Prayers	08:50	Music Room	
Friday 13 Sept	Assembly	11:15	Church	
Friday 13 Sept	Y5/Y6 Girls' Netball v Oakfield School	13:30	Oakfield School	
Friday 13 Sept	Y5/Y6 Boys' Football v Roche School	13:45	Wandsworth Park	
Monday 16 Sept	Dolphin Launch	18:00 - 19:30	Church	
Mon 16 - Fri 20 Sept	Year 6 Secondary School Meetings	Various	School	
Wed 18 Sept	Y5/Y6 Girls' Netball v Hornsby House School	14:00	Battersea Ironsides	
Mon 23 Sept – Wed 2 Oct	Year 5 Secondary School Meetings	Various	School	
Friday 27 Sept	Macmillan Coffee Morning	08:45 - 09:30	School	
Friday 27 Sept	Year 5 Assembly Harvest Celebration	11:15	Church	
Friday 11 Oct	Reading Information Session (Lower School Parents)	08.45 - 10.00	Hall	
Friday 11 Oct	Year 3 Assembly	11:15	Church	
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