



Dear parents and carers,

Following the Christmas Fayre last week, which raised close to £2,000 for the school, the Christmas festivities have continued this week alongside further learning opportunities in classrooms.



It has been wonderful to have parents, carers and wider families in school this week for performances delivered brilliantly by Reception, Key Stage 1, Key Stage 2 and Sycamore class. With tea, coffee, non-alcoholic mulled wine and mince pies available in abundance, the community was able to come together and be proud of the hard work children have put in to learning lines, songs and actions. Performances are a crucial part of the primary curriculum, especially at a time where we are so focussed as a school on oracy.



Not content with just delivering two performances this week, Year 1 visited All Saints' church in Blackheath on Wednesday afternoon. The children had the chance to see, and take part in, a Christingle service. This was a great opportunity to develop their recent learning of Christianity and how Christians celebrate Christmas.



Following our first [Racial Literacy Parent Forum](#) last Friday, the next stage of working together will involve inviting parents and carers to share further thoughts and experiences to help shape the direction of our approach. To support these conversations, we have sent out guiding questions via email, please take a moment to look through them and share your views with any member of the leadership team. Please contact the office or speak to a leader on the gate if you would like to book in a time to do this. If you were able to attend the forum, and have not yet left your feedback, please do so via [this form](#).



With next week being the final week of term, there is still lots to look forward to. On Wednesday, we are hosting our [Jamaican Hurricane Relief fundraiser](#), with all children encouraged to wear the colours of the Jamaican flag (black, green and yellow) alongside a £1 donation. We will also be holding a cake sale and donation drive after school at 3.15pm in the playground. We are looking for donations of cakes for the cake sale (please remember we are a nut free school) and we are also looking for: toiletries, non-perishable foods (such as rice, tinned fish), pencils, paper pads and small card games for children. Please bring cakes to the school office prior to the cake sale (please label with ingredients) and donations to the playground after school at 3.15pm on Wednesday.

Wednesday is also the day of our termly [Rocksteady concert](#), with [Christmas lunch](#) taking place on Thursday. On Friday, we will celebrate everyone's efforts linked to attendance, as we continue to strive to ensure all children have fantastic habits linked to being in school every day.

Places for After School Activity Clubs in the Spring 2026 term have now been issued [via My Child At School](#). If you did not receive an email confirming your child's place in a club that you registered your interest for, then they have been placed on a waiting list, and the school office will be in touch if a place becomes available. If you would like to enquire about the availability of any clubs, please email hornpark@compassps.uk

A reminder that next Friday, 19th December, is our last day of term and that **children will be dismissed at 1.30pm**.

Have a lovely weekend,

Jack Green

Reception Entry September 2026

If your child is due to start in Reception in September 2026 your application must be made online by **15th January 2026**. Please click [here](#) for more information on how to apply for a primary school place.

Missed your flu vaccine?

Live or attend school in the borough of Greenwich? Aged 4 - 16?

Find out more about flu catch-up clinics being run in the area by the South London Children and Young People's Community Immunisation Service [here](#).

Holiday Food & Fun HAF Camp

Basecamp are running their HAF camp at Horn Park Primary School on 22nd, 23rd, 29th & 30th December from 9am-1pm (including lunch for children eligible for free school meals based on household income). For further info/bookings please [click here](#). A limited number of places are available for children with an EHCP. If you're unsure about your eligibility or if your child has an EHCP, please contact: info@proinfinityoaching.co.uk / 020 3651 2161

Jamaican Hurricane Relief



Wednesday 17th December

Wear **green, yellow or black** to school for a £1 donation

Cake Sale and Donation Drive 3:15pm

We are looking for donations of cakes for the cake sale and we are also looking for: toiletries, non-perishable foods (such as rice & tinned fish) and pencils, paper pads, small card games for children.

Dates for your diary

17/12: Jamaican Hurricane Relief Fundraiser - Children can wear green, yellow or black to school for a £1 donation

17/12: 9.30am Rocksteady concert

17/12: 3.15pm Jamaican Hurricane Relief Fundraiser - Cake sale and donation drive in the playground

18/12: Christmas Lunch

19/12: Last day of Autumn 2 term - 1.30pm finish

22/12/25 - 02/01/26: CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY

05/01/26: Inset day - Children not in school

06/01/26: Children return to school - First day of Spring 1 term

w/c 12/01/26: Year 6 Booster sessions start - info to follow

w/c 12/01/26: After School Activity Clubs start - Places have now been issued via My Child At School. If your child did not get a place in a club you registered your interest for, they have been placed on the waiting list.

12/01/26: Year 6 British Museum Trip

15/01/26: Deadline to apply for Reception September 2026

15/01/26: 2.30pm Sycamore class Play & Learn: SEND Family Session

21/01/26: Year 3 British Museum Trip

13/02/26: Last day of Spring 1 term

16/02/26 - 20/02/26: HALF TERM BREAK

23/02/26: Children return to school for Spring 2 term

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Term dates for this and next academic year are [here](#).

Please remember to click on any wording underlined in this newsletter for more information.

Attendance Matters

Good attendance is key to success both educationally and beyond. For this reason, we aim for 100% attendance.

This week's attendance: 96.8%

Best Year Group: Year 2 - 100%

Book Recommendation

Blackfriars have been enjoying 'Pig-Heart Boy' by our focus author, Malorie Blackman. It follows a boy who has a serious heart condition and is struggling with his life being different to that of his friends. We were intrigued by the opening character which generated a lot of discussion about what we thought might be happening. We can't wait to find out.



ONLINE LEARNING (Homework)



Term Value:

Unity

Lunch menu: Week 1

w/c 15th December

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