

## Dear Parents & Carers,

As the we move towards the month of December, we have a range of seasonal events and concerts lined up. We have listed some of these on the back of this newsletter but please also look out for posters and information on our website. Each year group will be performing a selection of themed songs to which parents are invited. Nursery and Reception classes will undertake a traditional performance which is always very popular so please make sure you arrive in good time. We will of course be teaching a full timetable until the holidays to ensure no day is wasted and children are expected to attend school every day until we break up on **Thursday 19th December 2019**.

You will receive your child's termly report at our parents evening on the **Thursday 28th November**. This will give more information about their achievements so far, as well as learning targets for the coming term. A letter inviting you to parents evening along with details of the online booking system will have been sent home to you, if you haven't seen it, please check in book bags. We are keen to make sure that all parents meet with teachers and discuss their child's progress as well as take up the opportunity to look through their workbooks and celebrate their hard work, so if you haven't seen the letter, or are finding it difficult to make an appointment please call the school office so that we can help.

Reception places are allocated in a cross London scheme which is organised by our local authority, Hackney Learning Trust, not the school. If you have a child who was born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2015 to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2016 then you will need to make an application for a Reception place *regardless of whether your child attends our Nursery or has a sibling already in the school*. Our Reception classes are very popular so don't miss the deadline for these applications which is **Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2020**. You can access the application form at [www.eadmissions.org.uk](http://www.eadmissions.org.uk) and Hackney Learning Trust will also be able to support you on 020 8255 5555 (option 1 or 4).

Thank you for your support .

Ms Rachel Davie  
Headteacher

## BREAD WORKSHOP

Year 3 had a fantastic experience learning how to make bread from scratch. They had to make sure they worked as a team, so that we could make a perfect loaf of bread!



## KS1 CREATIVITY IN THE PLAY POD

KS1 have been showing their creativity and engineering skills by constructing imaginative places to play in the playpod. Playtimes are a fun time to learn new games with friends and a time to challenge yourself to learn new skills too.



## Y4 CELEBRATE BLACK HISTORY



As part of our Black History Month the children from Year 4 took part in a workshop to educate them about black figures from British History. Of particular interest was a

session where the children deconstructed Georgian portrayals of black people in portraiture. The sessions took place at one of our local community heritage sites—Sutton House.

## END OF TERM EVENTS

We are holding a number of special end of term events to which parents and carers are invited. Please make sure that you add dates to your diaries and arrive on time to performances as all events are very popular! In addition to the below, our Winter Fayre will be held on Thursday 5th December between 3.30pm and 5.30pm.

Date	Focus	Time/Location
<b>Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Year 3 Sing Along Christmas	2:50pm / New Hall
<b>Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Year 5 Sing Along Christmas	2:50pm / New Hall
<b>Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Year 2 Sing Along Christmas	2:50pm / New Hall
<b>Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Apple Class Nativity	9:00am / New Hall
<b>Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Elm Class Nativity	10:00am / New Hall
<b>Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Cherry Class Nativity	2:00pm / New Hall
<b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Year 4 Sing Along Christmas	2:50pm / New Hall
<b>Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Year 6 Sing Along Christmas	2:50pm / New Hall
<b>Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Acorn and Sapling Nativity	9:00am / New Hall
<b>Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Year 1 Sing Along Christmas	2:50pm / New Hall

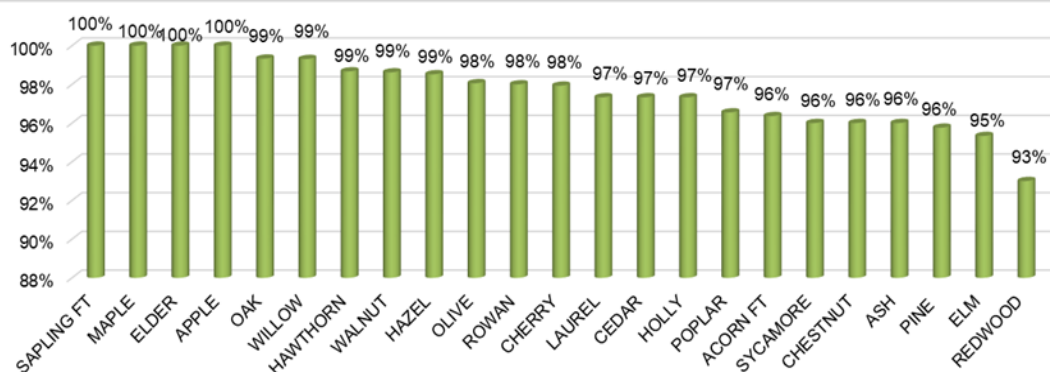
## COFFEE MORNINGS

Thank you to all our parents who continue to attend our Friday morning reading sessions in Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2. Our coffee mornings each Friday at 9.15am in the Flexi Space focus on different topics each week and are linked with our curriculum. Please join us!

Date	Focus
<b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November</b>	<b>Science:</b> Learn how to create exciting experiments in the home.
<b>Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November</b>	<b>Spelling and Handwriting:</b> How to support your child with their spelling and handwriting at home.
<b>Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>Speech and Language:</b> How to develop and extend your child's vocabulary.
<b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December</b>	<b>Parent Reading Assembly:</b> EYFS, Year 1 and Year 2.

## ATTENDANCE

Children have only 190 school days in a year so coming to school everyday makes a real difference! Whole school attendance for last week was **97.54%**  
**Well done to Sapling, Maple, Elder & Apple Classes** the weekly winners with **100%**



## Key Dates

**Autumn Term 2019**

**Parents Evening:**  
Thursday 28th November

**End of Term Finish Date:**  
Thursday 19th December at 2pm

**Spring Term 2020**

**Start Date:**  
Monday 6th January

**Half Term Holiday:**  
Monday 17th to  
Friday 21st February

**Staff Training Day:**  
Monday 24th February

**Parents Evening:**  
Thursday 26th March

**Finish Date:**  
Friday 3rd April at 2pm

**Summer Term 2020**

**Start Date:**  
Monday 20th April

**Bank Holiday:**  
Friday 8th May

**Half Term Holiday:**  
Monday 25th May to  
Friday 29th May

**Parents Evening:**  
Thursday 2nd July

**End of Term Finish Date:**  
Friday 17th July at 2pm

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