



We are an inspiring learning community with high expectations, where all feel safe and happy and everybody has the opportunity to unlock and realise their potential.

15/12/15 Upper Phase (Years 4, 5 and 6) Christmas Concert (5.00pm)
17/12/15 Lower Phase (Years R, 1, 2 and 3) Christmas Concert (9.15am)
17/12/15 Class Christmas Parties
18/12/15 Last day of term-finish at 2pm
04/01/16 Return to School

The gates automatically open at 3:20 for parents to come into school and collect their children at 3:30 – please do not wait in the playground before 3:20pm

Farewell

Miss Gosia our Reception 2 teacher will be taking maternity leave from the end of this term. We wish her and her extending family a very happy New Year and look forward to having her back teaching with us soon.

Miss Gruzman our Year 1 Da Vinci teacher will be leaving us at the end of this term to return to her family and friends in Australia. We would like to thank her for all her great teaching and hard work during her time here. We wish her all the very best for the future.

No Parking - Please be considerate and keep our children safe

Do you drive a Volkswagen Passat? Please do not park and leave your car outside our car park gates or where it may endanger our children. Parking is not allowed in this area and it is dangerous for pedestrians and small children who are trying to access the buildings at that end of the road. Parking is available in nearby streets and no charge is made until 9:30am. Please be considerate and keep our children safe.

Christmas Fair

A big 'Thank you' to TFOWHS, parents and staff for all the hard work and effort put into making the Christmas Fair 2015 so successful. It was a lovely event for the children.



More news about this event follows below in the TFOWHS' newsletter.

Carol Singing

The choir entertained the shoppers on Chiswick High Road on Tuesday 8th December. They sang beautifully and raised £56.58 which will be given to The Great Ormond Street Hospital.

Donated Piano

Thank you to Ms Preston for very kindly arranging the collection and delivery of a donated piano to the school, we are extremely grateful. We now need to arrange for the piano to be moved to an upstairs classroom. If you have skills or knowledge in this area and would like to help, please do get in touch with the school office.

New Offer of Extended Care for Nursery Children

From 4th January 2016 we will be offering extended care for our Nursery children. Should you wish to take up a place in either the lunchtime provision or the wraparound provision, please contact the school office for details of the terms and conditions, fees do apply?

We are currently only offering this extended provision to children who attend our morning Nursery. If you know any families who do not currently send their child to our Nursery but would benefit from this offer, please ask them to contact the school office for further information.

Clubs – Spring Term

The interest form for afterschool clubs for the spring term were sent home on 4th December. Please be aware that you cannot sign your child up for a spring term club if you have any arrears. Payments can be made via www.parentpay.com.

School Gates Closing at 4:30

Following a suggestion from TFOWHS we will be closing all gates into school every evening shortly after 4:30pm, once children have been collected from the afterschool clubs. Would parents and children please leave the playgrounds promptly once they have collected their children? If you collect your child/ren from Aktiva, please use the entrance on Devonshire Street and do not come through the school.

Telephone **Aktiva's mobile on 07599 894151.**

Lunch money

Please keep your lunch account up to date. If you owe money for lunches this should be paid immediately. Lunch should be paid for in advance, please make a payment online now paying for meals to be taken up to 18th December. Payment should be made via www.paypay.com. You will need to provide your child with a packed lunch at the start of the new term if you still have arrears on your lunch money account.

Message for Nursery Parents

On Wednesday 16th December Nursery Class Children will be performing a Christmas Concert. On this day please dress your child in a tee shirt that is red, green or white, black trousers or leggings and a small piece of tinsel to go around their head. All Nursery parents and carers are welcome to attend the Nursery Class from 11.30am. The concert will be followed by mince pies and refreshments.

On Thursday 17th December Nursery Class Children will be enjoying a Christmas party. All details about the party will be posted outside Nursery Class.



In order to keep all visitors, families and children safe, while on our school site, we have a very clear policy on how the school deals with any issues relating to pupils, staff or families.

While this is rarely an issue, we feel it is important to remind all members of our Parent/Carer community what the school expectations are, in order to ensure our site stays the safe and happy place we all like it to be!

This policy, which is outlined below, is for any Parent/ Carer who has a concern about anything that may have happened to their child.

Parent/Carers must not attempt to deal with these issues themselves.

The concern must be raised with the class teacher first, and then if still concerned, see one of the Deputy Headteachers, Mrs McGahy or Mrs McIlreavy, the Parent Support Advisor, Mrs Maggie Curran, or the Headteacher, Mrs Driscoll. If the matter is urgent, please see the office for an appointment with the Head or a Deputy as soon as possible. The office staff and a senior member of staff will do all they can to ensure you are seen as soon as possible.

They must not approach or speak to another child or Parent/Carer about the matter.

It is very important that the matter is not discussed outside the classroom door, particularly when children's names are being used.

It is the responsibility of the school to investigate and deal with all concerns.

It is the responsibility of the Parents and Carers to follow school procedures,

Particularly in relation to issues as important as the safety and security of our community.

All staff work very hard to respond as quickly as possible to issues.

In this way, we can be certain that our site is a happy safe place for everybody.

Our children need to see all the adults behaving in a way that supports our expectations of their own behaviour.

All issues are dealt with on a one to one basis with each Parent or set of Parents/Carers.

Any further approaches will be treated a serious breach of school policy and will be dealt with accordingly.

Thank you very much for your ongoing support. Together we can ensure our school site is a safe and happy place for everybody.

TFWHS

The Christmas fair last week Friday was a big success. The money is still being counted but it looks like we raised around £2600! A lot of people have commented on the fun they had that afternoon. Thank you to everyone who contributed in making this another great fair. Thank you to all who prepared the delicious food, set up, ran and cleaned up the stalls. A big thank you to Steve for putting up the lights around the playground. And a massive thank you to Mr Carter for being our very trustworthy and patient Santa and to Ms Gruzman for being such a fun and lovely elf!

Felicity J Lord Christmas Card competition

The kids in school were asked by our estate agent sponsor, Felicity J Lord to participate in a Christmas Card design competition this week. The winners will be announced on Monday and the winning design will be printed on the agents Christmas Cards. The runners up prize is chocolates and the winner will receive a WH Smith voucher. Hopefully we can show you the winning design in next weeks newsletter.

Cake sale

Year 2's cake sale a few weeks ago raised £105.65. Today it is Year 1's turn to host the sale. Thank you for bringing in all the delicious treats. We will also be selling some left over Christmas Fair goodies, so if you didn't get your hands on a little sock snowman last week (made by the kids in yr 2), or a lavender tree, then come and get one of these bargains at the cake sale this afternoon.