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Weekly Newsletter Monday 11th December 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

If you follow our Twitter account, you will see lots of photos and some of the exciting things that St Gabriel's children have been up to in recent weeks. We have some great art work on there from Class 5, inspired by various artists, Class 3's Iron Age round Houses and Class 6's writing, to name but a few of our Tweets! You will also see a photo of our drummers, taken in last week's assembly, when they treated the whole school to their excellent performance. You can find us:



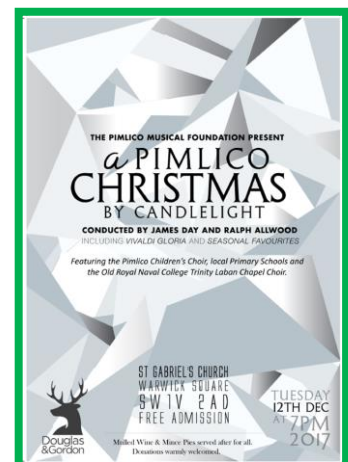
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Class 6 Trip: We had various events last week. As part of their ongoing 'Not Forgotten Project', Class 6 visited the Westminster Archives and met author Michael Foreman.

Staff Training: In our Staff meeting last week teachers joined St Barnabas staff for a training session on dyslexia, dyscalculia and Speech and Language. This was run by Fairly House School, a specialist day school for children with specific learning difficulties. We found this truly helpful in identifying children with these needs.

Playground Surfacing: Thank you for your patience on Friday afternoon, when we had to keep the Blackstone playground gate locked. You may have noticed patches occurring on the green surface where parts of the rubber have broken up. On Friday afternoon we had these patches fixed and filled. Unfortunately this meant that the surface could not be walked on whilst it set.

Tuesday 12th December 7pm – 8pm: Children from classes 4 & 5 and our school choir will be joining an adult choir and performing at St Gabriel's church tomorrow evening. If you would like to join us for this special concert, you are more than welcome. The performance is free and seats are allocated on a first come/first served basis.



Monday 18th December 2.30pm: Our whole school nativity concert will be taking place next Monday. Please do join us for this special event. You will be able to take your seats from 2.00pm.

Tuesday 19th December 3.30pm – 4.15pm Open afternoon: After school next Tuesday will be an opportunity for you to visit your child's classroom and have a look at their books. We would like to encourage parents/carers to visit and sit with their child whilst they share their work with you. This is not like parents evening where you meet specifically with the teacher to talk about your child, this is an opportunity for you to view your child's work and talk to your child about it. If you feel you need to talk to the teacher, please do arrange a separate meeting.



Tuesday 19th December 7-8pm: the choir have been invited to sing in the St Gabriel's Christmas Carol service. We look forward to seeing you there!

Attendance

We are just about continuing to be above our target of **96%** attendance for the academic year – **although we are slowly slipping**. Let's not let it slip below 96%. Our attendance since September is now **96.01%** It would be simply amazing if this can continue to rise. Thank you for your support in this!

	03/11/2017	10/11/2017	17/11/2017	24/11/2017	01/12/2017	08/12/2017
Class 6	97.5	97.67	98.67	97	98	97.33
Class 5	95.83	96.33	98.67	97.33	97.33	97
Class 4	95.83	99	97.33	98.33	94.67	91
Class 3	99.14	97.59	97.93	98.97	91.38	97.93
Class 2	98.33	100	98	99	94.67	93.67
Class 1	97.28	97.39	97.92	90.42	90	89.58
Class R	90.97	90.56	94.44	91.11	92.22	90.56
Average	96.71	97.32	97.75	96.49	94.29	94.19

CONGRATULATIONS!
to Class 3 for achieving **97.93** attendance all week .

Awards:

Music Award: Hamid, Class 6

Sports Award: Nathanael B, Class 6

Newsletter draw book winner: - Sebastian, Class 4

Top Table: Key Stage 1: Polina, Class 2 Key Stage 2: Alsheriff, Class 4

Star of the week: Bea-Grace, Class 3

Class of the week: Class 5

	Mentions Book	Courtesy Book
Class R	Angel and Isaac	Ayesha and Ayub
Class 1	Hadya and Marah	Zion and Angelo
Class 2	Kaiya and Kurubel	Joon and Kurubel
Class 3	Iman and Elon	Farah and Malachi
Class 4	Sienna and Jana	Lyth and Mahdi
Class 5	Mujeeb and Rebecca	Adam and Jowana
Class 6	Nathaniel A and Adam	Anila and Rafael

Dates for Your Diary

Tuesday 12th December: Pimlico Musical Foundation Pimlico Christmas Concert 7pm
Tuesday 19th December – School choir singing at the St Gabriel's Carol Service 7pm
Tuesday 19th December – Christmas Lunch

Term/holiday Dates for the Autumn term

Wednesday 20th December: Last day of term – school finishes at 2.30pm
TERM 3 Tuesday 2nd January - Teachers' training day school closed to children
Wednesday 3rd January 2018 – children return to school



Our theme this week – Advent – Love Prayer for the week:

Thank you Jesus for the love you have shown to us. Help us to see each other as you see us. Help us to show love and kindness for others no matter who they are .

Amen

Events for Parents

Every Wednesday: Mass – a different Junior class each week is in Mass held by Father Owen. You are all warmly invited.
Every Thursday: Family Assembly
Monday 18th December: Nativity Service 2.30pm
Tuesday 19th December: Open afternoon – an opportunity for you to visit your child's classroom and see their books 3.30 – 4.15pm
Tuesday 19th December: Evening Carol Service at St Gabriel's Church

Christmas Lunch

Christmas Lunch will be served on Tuesday 19th December 2017.
If your child usually has a packed lunch but would like a Christmas lunch please let us know in the Office by Friday 15th December.
Thank you,
Michaela



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www.stgabrielsprimary.co.uk

I hope you have a great week!

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 [@gabrielsschool](https://twitter.com/gabrielsschool)

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Headteacher



I have read and noted the contents of this newsletter. Date: 11th December 2017

Signed: _____

Child's name: _____ Class: _____