**Wednesday was a very busy day!** In the morning some of the children who learn a musical instrument through BEAT played in their Christmas Concert, in the afternoon Reception performed in the first of their two nativities (the second was Friday morning) meanwhile the Year 5 and 6 children from Choir went and sang for the residents at the Hasluck Trust on Parkside Gardens.





The Reception Nativity was lovely - thank you to everyone who came along to support and celebrate the children. In the classroom, Reception has been thinking about some of the different ways that people celebrate at Christmas. In Drawing Club, they have been using Stick Man by Julia Donaldson to inspire their drawings.



Year 4 went to Verulamium on Monday as part of their learning about the Romans. The children visited the museum and got to handle artefacts. Thank you to the parents who were able to come along. In class, the children have been writing their essays entitled 'What did the Romans do for Britain?' and learning about the geographical reasons for the spread of the Roman Empire. On Friday afternoon, they were using the Roman shields they had created for homework to think about how the Roman army was successful in battle.

#### **KS1 and KS2 Winter Concert**

Please make sure that you bring your ticket for the performance. We only have enough space in the hall for the tckets that have been distributed. We will ler the audience start taking their seats from 9am when the gates are closed and the registers have been taken in each class. If you are in the queue, please ensure that you allow children being dropped off late to pass - this caused some upset last year.

\*\*Please note there will be no KS2 Choir on Thursday 18th December\*\*



On Thursday 2, took the 299 bus to Christ Church at Southgate to look at teh features of a church and to hear the Christmas story. Thank you to the parents who were able to come along and help.

In Year 1 they continued to learn about Mae Jemison.
On Wednesday, I saw some lovely writing about the alien they had designed in English, and in PSHE they have been thinking about the difference between facts, opinions, and views.



We have opened some more doors on our Whole School Musical Advent Calendar this week.



1 - Year 3F, 2 - Year 4B, 3 - Year 2CW, 4 - Year 1K, 5 - Year 2M, 6 - Reception, 7 - Year 4P, 8 - Year 6K, 9 - Year 5LD, 10 - Year 1K.

Can you work out which song each door represents?!

#### **Road Safety**

There are two consultations out at the moment that will help make the roads safer for our children. Please try and take the time to respond.

Parkside Gardens - You can review the changes and have your say here.

Chase Side - You can review the changes and have your say here.



Last Friday, we sent our Sportshall Athletics Team to take part in the Barnet Sportshall Championships. The children performed fantastically well against the other schools in Barnet and came away with the Gold Medal on the day! We have now heard that we are the overall Barnet winners, having scored the highest total of all the schools in Barnet that took part! A huge congratulations to all the children who should be very proud of themselves. Thank you also to the staff who have been running practice sessions at lunchtimes over the last few weeks to help the children prepare.



This is the moment that the result was announced in the hall!



Both our Boys and Girls' teams have played this week - here is a double team photo.

On Tuesday this week, both our Boys' and Girls' teams were playing. The Boys played a Cup game against Holy Trinity. It was a dramatic game but we came out victorious on penalities. Well done to Max, Louis and Levi who all stepped up to help us win! The Girls have played two games in three days this week! On Tuesday night they played against Danegrove, winning 1-0. Congratulations to Francesca who scored the winning goal. On Thursday night the Girls played in a very tough match in the Cup against Goldbeaters but came out victorious, winning 3-0. The goals came from Zoe, Inaaya and Ela. Ms. Shah was really proud of their resilience in the face of challenging circumstances - they represented our school brilliantly.

## **Dates for 2025/6**

#### **Autumn Term 2025**

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Lunch Day (the children can wear their Christmas Jumpers)

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December and Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> December - KS1 and KS2 Christmas Concert

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December - End of Term 2pm finish

#### Spring Term 2026

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January - First Day Back

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> January - 5S Class Assembly

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> January - Science Workshops for Year 5 and 6

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> January - Year 6 Magistrates Workshop

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> January - Year 1 Class Assembly at 9am.

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> January - 2CW to the Transport Museum

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> January - 2M to the Transport Museum

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> February - Year 4 to the Science Museum

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> February to Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February - Children's Mental Health Week

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February - Safer Internet Day

16<sup>th</sup> February to 20<sup>th</sup> February - Half Term

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March - Year 6 to St Paul's Cathedral

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March - World Book Day

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March - Year 4 swimming (2 weeks)

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March - Barnet Dance Festival

Thursday 26th/Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March - Year to Tolmers Residential

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March - Break up at 2pm

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April - INSET Day

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> April - First Day of Summer Term

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> April - Year 4 Bikeability

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April - Year 5 to the Portrait Gallery

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May to Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May - KS2 SATs week

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May - Year 6 to the Isle of Wight

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May - Year 5LD Class Assembly

Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May - Half Term

Monday 1st June - INSET Day

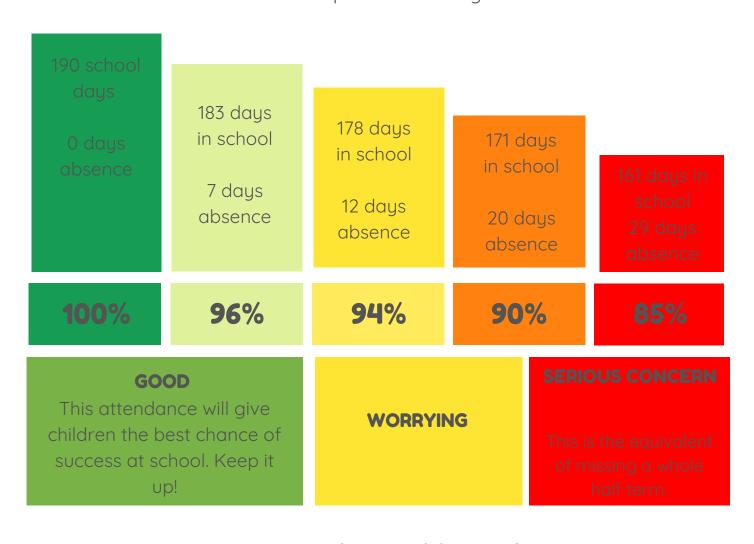
Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June - 2M Class Assembly

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June - Class Photo Day

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June - 2CW Class Assembly

# EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS

Each day is really important in your child's learning journey. Getting here on time helps them ease into the day calmly and makes sure they don't miss out on important learning.



### Attendance this week

Oak	97%	2M	98%	5S	92%
Willow	97%	3S	100%	5LD	98%
1C	95%	3F	93%	6P	94%
1K	97%	4B	94%	6K	96%
2CW	95%	4P	98%	Whole School	96%