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Dear Parents/Carers,
Wow what a week! The week began with the lighting of the Christmas tree and the choir singing beautifully. On Thursday we had a delicious Christmas lunch and children wore their Christmas jumpers and pulled Christmas crackers. We ended the week with EYFS and KS1 going to the Albany theatre to see 'The Light Princess' and Year 6 attended the Painted Hall to join other Greenwich schools to sing Christmas carols.

Have a wonderful weekend.
Miss Long

Christmas is not as much about opening our presents as opening our hearts.



Year 1-6 have been working hard to create Christmas decorations which you can purchase to share with your loved ones this Christmas. The bundle is £5 and includes 6 pack of your child's personalised Christmas cards, 3 sheets of A3 class collage wrapping paper and 9 class present tags

Bundles are available to order until Monday 11th December so don't miss out! Please place your orders via ParentPay.



Dates for your Diary

Monday 11th December 3.30pm-6.30pm Christmas Disco Bash

Monday 11th December Y5 cycling proficiency all week.

Tuesday 12th December 2pm EYFS/KS1 Nativity

Wednesday 13th December KS2 Nativity in church 2pm

Thursday 14th December 8.40am-9.10am KS2 parents reading

Thursday 14th December 9.30 – whole school mass

Friday 15th December 3.30pm-5pm Christmas Fair

Tuesday 19th December 2023 3.30pm-5pm St Joseph's Talent Show.

Thursday 21st December class parties

Thursday 21st December – Last day of term School finishes 2pm

Own Clothes Day – To Support Summer Fair

On Monday 11th December it will be Own Clothes Day! This is to support our Christmas Fair and we would ask that you donate cakes or gifts to sell. Thank you for your support!



Christmas Fair



Our annual Christmas Fair will take place Friday 15th December. To make this a success we need your help. If you are having a clear out ready for Christmas and would like to help, please kindly donate any good quality toys, books or puzzles to enable other children to enjoy them.





School success starts
with attendance

As a school we aim for pupils to achieve 100% attendance or as close as possible. Evidence shows strong attendance directly links to a child achieving their full potential. Through working together, we can ensure that your child receives a full-time education, through regular and structured attendance.

While it is understandable that there may be a number of legitimate reasons why your child's attendance may be affected, it remains essential that all children attend school as often as possible and are not absent for minor coughs and colds.

Keeping attendance above 95% allows pupils to achieve their potential.

Winners last week

Year 4 – 98.8%

School attendance 93.7%

Rainbow Awards

8th December 2023

Rec – Whole of Reception

Year 1 – Dennis, Harry O

Year 2 – Aria, Divine

Year 3 – Francis, Sola

Year 4 – Nevaeh, Jersiah

Year 5 – Theo, Esther

Year 6 – Nuriyah, Grace

WELL DONE TO YOU ALL!



After School Football Club

Year 1, Year 2, Year 3 and now Year 4

If you would like your child to attend please click the link below for more details:



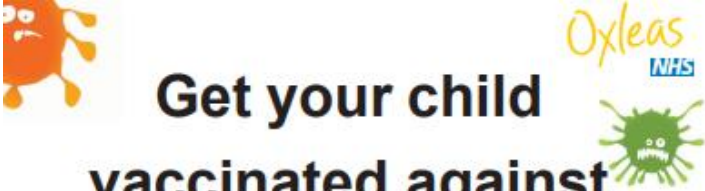

<https://awfootball-coaching.class4kids.co.uk/info/168> If you would like more information please contact Alex on 0777 174 7219

To order your child's school uniform from our online supplier, click [here](#) with free delivery to school.

95%	=	47 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 8 days in total or 1 week and 3 days
90%	=	95 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 16 days in total or 3 weeks and 1 day
85%	=	142 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 24 days in total or 4 weeks and 4 days
80%	=	190 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 32 days in total or 6 weeks and 2 days



To order your Talent Show tickets on www.parentpay.com



Get your child vaccinated against the flu this winter

If your child missed the flu vaccination in school this is for you!

The Greenwich School Immunisation Team will be delivering catch up clinics for children from Reception Year to Year 11

Venue: 16-20 Market Street, Woolwich, SE18 6QR

Time: 9.30am - 3.30pm every 2nd and 9th December

Walk-ins are welcome or book your appointment via link or QR code:

<https://app.schoolscreener.com/Portal#/Oxleas/pr/oxFC2324>



Oxleas Immunisation Teams contact details:
oxl-tr.immunisations@nhs.net
0208 320 5741 / 2
Improving lives

This Week

John – Y6

Miss Clark



GPCPF is inviting you to a
End of Year Celebration Party

We bring together parents and carers of children and young adults with special educational needs and disabilities.

FRIDAY 15TH DECEMBER
10:00 - 12:30PM

THE MOORINGS SOCIAL CLUB
Arrnott Close SE28 8BG

Light buffet provided by Camouflage Cafe | Free Raffle to win 3 food hampers

Join us for a chat & let us look after your wellbeing

For more info, email admin@greenwichpcpf.org

Information

Holiday Food and Fun is back offering free activities for young people this Christmas.

Free holiday club places are available for children aged 4-16 and who are eligible for benefits related free school meals.

Find a list of participating holiday clubs on our website and book a place directly with them.

[Royalgreenwich.gov.uk/holidayfoodandfun](https://royalgreenwich.gov.uk/holidayfoodandfun)

As every primary child is currently receiving free school meals thanks to the Mayor of London, parents should double check their eligibility in case they are missing out on extra support.

<https://pps.lgfl.org.uk/>

Information for Early Years

On 27 October 2023 the eligibility checker on childcarechoices.gov.uk, enabling parents to access personalised information on the support available to them, including which of the new transformational childcare offers they will be eligible for depending on the age of their child and earnings.

An additional feature added to the website is a subscribe for updates function, which will give parents the opportunity to sign up for regular newsletters letting them know when they should take action to make sure they are getting the support they are entitled to – including information about wraparound for primary school children and when the new 15 hours for two-year-olds becomes available for sign-ups, with the offer beginning in April 2024.

Thankateacher

The Thank a Teacher campaign recognises ALL staff working in UK schools and colleges; school leaders, teachers, teaching assistants, and all support staff such as lunchtime supervisors, caretakers and cleaners. If you're feeling shy you can send a card anonymously! <https://thankateacher.co.uk/thank-a-teacher/thank-a-teacher-form/>