



KEY DATES

FEBRUARY

13th - 17th

Half Term

20th

School Resumes

24th

Forms V & VI

First swimming lesson

MARCH

2nd

World Book Day

(Roald Dahl Theme)

4th

10am - 12 Noon

Open Day

(for prospective parents)

7th & 8th

3:40 - 7pm

Parent Interviews

10th

Form V (pre-notified teams)

Brentwood Football & Netball Tournament

20th

PFA Mother's Day Stall

31st

12 Noon

Break up for Easter Holiday

(NO AFTER-SCHOOL CARE)

APRIL

24th

Staff Training

25th

School Resumes

Dear Parents,

First of all, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Directors, Niki Molyneux and Annie Parkinson-Curd, the SMT and the entire staff for their hard work and guidance during my transition to being Acting Head. I would also like to thank the many parents who have contacted me in various ways to express their support.

It has certainly been a busy few weeks, with events including Nursery Rhyme Week, the Ragged School visit, a BBC Science initiative and Chinese New Year. We remain busy after the Half Term break, with Open Day on the 4th March; hopefully you will have spotted our impressive new banner!

Finally, after Half Term, keep an eye out for a parental and pupil survey which will be coming your way - look out for further details from our directors.

I wish you and your families a happy and peaceful Half Term.

Mrs K Whiskerd

Acting Head

Visit from Team GB Athlete

On January 20th, we were visited by Team GB athlete, Theo Spalding McIntosh. Theo is a four times British Judo Champion and Commonwealth Gold and Silver medallist. He put the children through their paces and gave them a motivational talk about the importance of never giving up, working hard and finding their passion for something they truly love doing. His visit and your generous sponsorship raised a tremendous £2102.53 which gives us a school a wonderful £1137.32 to spend on new sports equipment for our own budding athletes.



Chinese New Year

Children around the school have been celebrating Chinese New Year in different ways. Pre-Prep created some beautiful art work, the Juniors had an interactive assembly and Form I created a beautiful dragon display with their handprints.



Fairy Tales - Form R

Form R have been learning about Fairy Tales this half term. They also did some Drama and acted out the story of Goldilocks and The Three Bears... with a little help from Mrs Deacon!



Science

As part of a nationwide campaign to get children more involved in Science, the BBC have launched a campaign. Children around the country conduct experiments, then submit the data to the BBC who collate it all and compare it with other schools from around the country. This month, the children were looking at taste buds.



Ragged School Trip - Form III

Form III had an enlightening day at the Ragged School this week where they spent the day as Victorian children. They had to work in a strict Victorian classroom which included suffering Victorian punishments!



Nursery Rhyme Week—Pre-Prep

Pre-Prep have been hard at work learning their Nursery Rhymes and they have very much enjoyed children from the main school popping in to visit to sing for them. On Thursday this week, they dressed up as Nursery Rhyme characters and had a lovely day. Thank you to Mrs Barnett who gave up her time to come in and play the piano for the children to have a super singalong.

