

As-salamu alaykum (peace be with you)

Dear Parents and Carers,

The children have received their new report cards for their effort and attainment during the Autumn term. Please look carefully at their targets and work with them at home. Your child gets weekly reading, maths and English homework, please check that they are completing this to a high standard and they are returning it to school on time.

Attendance

Please be aware that our school target is attendance of 97%. If your child is attending below 90% then formal meetings will be held in order to find ways for you and your child to improve their attendance.

Diary dates



7th —Safer Internet Day

7th—Workshop for Yr2 parents—Spelling (9-10am)

8th —E Safety Assembly

9th—Year 2 trip to London Zoo

10th—Ibn Ali Assembly

10th—last day of Spring Term 1

20th—School Re-opens

21st—International Mother Language Day

22nd—World Thinking Day



National Handwriting Day



The children have taken part in an afternoon of fun activities in order to improve and enhance their beautiful handwriting last week. They were able to write letters to children in our sister school, Olive Blackburn, and take part in a national handwriting competition.

We had our own Olive School competition for the best presented translation of Surat Al Fatihah—the winners will be announced in next week’s assembly!

Safer Internet Day 7th February

This is a global day, where countries around the world will be teaching children and adults about how to keep safe using the internet.

We will be taking part in a range of activities to ensure that our children understand what they can do to keep safe when using a computer or smart phone.

For more information, please visit these websites:

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/grownups/article-internet-use-and-safety>

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround/35506690>



Holocaust Memorial day

The Olive School took part in a sombre event to commemorate Holocaust Memorial Day. The children travelled to Hackney Council and along with children from Simon Marks Jewish School, sang a moving rendition of Pete Seeger's 'We Shall Overcome'.

Their behaviour was impeccable and they were true ambassadors of our school—mashallah!



Fire of London!

Next week the Year 2 children will take part in a super learning week all about The Great Fire of London. They will learn about how life was during this time, dress up as bakers and bake bread just like the famous baker, Thomas Farriner did, in Pudding Lane in 1666, more than 350 years ago.

Year 2 parents are invited to come to the school and bake with the children, please refer to the letter sent out with your child.



Uniform

Please ensure that your child comes to school each day looking smart and wearing the correct school uniform. If your daughter chooses to wear a scarf, this should only be a plain black colour –no diamante patterns. Trainers are not allowed in school, we will be ringing parents individually if your children are not wearing the correct footwear/uniform.

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