

## MR MOTION'S MEMO

Here we all are enjoying mathematical number day assembly celebrations on Friday! THANK YOU to Miss Drummonds and Year 6 children for organising such a memorable day: games, quizzes, codebreaking - the upper school enjoyed a quiz with our sister school Maple Walk and Year 6 even planned and prepared maths lessons to teach to other classes.

Earlier in the week, Culture Day was a wonderful celebration of the diversity within our school community and we loved listening to children present their home learning projects in house meetings.

Next week is Children's Mental Health Week. We'll be exploring this year's theme 'My Voice Matters' in assemblies and daily activities, encouraging children to express themselves and talk about their thoughts and feelings. We have some exciting school trips planned - Year 2 will be going to the Planetarium and Year 4,5&6 are going ice skating. Planning for this year's residential is well underway - upper school parents please do complete the consent form that has been sent via email this weekend. Next week, we will share the details on residential information sessions for parents. Have a great weekend!



## RECEPTION

Another wonderful week has flown by in Reception full of celebrations and lots of exciting and new things learned!

On Tuesday, we celebrated Culture Day. It was so nice to see everyone dressed up in an outfit that showcased their culture or a celebration that they celebrate in their family. We had a great time sharing our outfits and projects with the other children in our houses and it was a lot of fun to hear what they had to share as well.

We also really enjoyed Number Day on Friday. We were all dressed as shapes which was really funny! We loved the assembly we had and getting to see everyone dressed up in their number day outfits but the highlight of the day was the amazing maths lesson that Year 6 taught us. We always enjoy when they come to visit us in our classroom so it was really nice to have them as our teachers for a little while.

We hope you have an amazing weekend!  
From, Reception!

**Next week's Show & Tell: Newton House (Luke, Caleb, Herie, Caoimhe)**



## YEAR 1

Another wonderful week in Year 1! In English, we began our new story 'Astro Girl' and enjoyed making predictions about the main character, Astrid. We had a go at role playing and were able to use our acting skills to inspire our ideas.

Tuesday was very special as we celebrated Culture Day together. We learned more about our different celebrations and found lots of similarities between them. Year 1 are very knowledgeable about their cultures!

We had a very special mission in Science as we had to test the most waterproof material for the Three Little Pigs' houses. We noticed that although plastic is very waterproof, it may not be the most suitable for a roof.

NSPCC Number Day was a great way to end the week. We loved the different outfits and activities, which included a special code breaker with Year 2, a Maths lesson from Year 6, and board games!

We are extremely impressed with Year 1's efforts this week, and our specialist teachers have noticed this too. Keep it up Year 1!

Have a lovely weekend, everyone.

**Next Week's Show & Tell: Anning House (Emi, Mark, Yeni, Xavier)**





## YEAR 2

It has been another busy week our Year 2 students! The highlight was undoubtedly Culture Day, where we adorned ourselves in costumes and shared our experiences of the celebrations we enjoy at home. On Friday, we enthusiastically participated in the NSPCC Number Day, collaborating with Y6 students who kindly shared some of their mathematical expertise. It was a joy to be their students for the day and engage in a tricky code-breaking task with our buddy class.

Looking ahead, we are excited for our upcoming trip to the planetarium as part of our geography studies. We will depart on Wednesday, shortly after 8:30 am, so please ensure your child arrives punctually, equipped with a coat, lunchbox, snack, and a water bottle to guarantee a smooth and enjoyable day.

Wishing you all a fantastic weekend!

## YEAR 3

We're almost at the finish line, but we are soaking up as much as we can before the half-term descends on us!

In Math this week we have been focusing solely on dividing 2-digit numbers by 1-digit numbers using partitioning and bus-stop methods as a means to solve these equations. We have also been practicing our ability to identify and solve 2-step multiplication and division word problems.

In DT we recapped our knowledge of features of a castle and children were able to detail the purpose & function of each feature. We looked at a selection of castles from around the UK and discussed why the strength and stability of castles are important. Using 2D & 3D shapes the children then designed and labelled their ideal castles.

In History we discussed the three main periods of Ancient Egyptian civilisation and mapped out important events within these periods on a historical timeline. The children shared their creative research projects with the class and they did not disappoint!

Lastly, Year 3 came dressed to the nines, in celebration of culture day on Tuesday with many opting to represent their or their parents countries of origin. A few children took the step to create some lovely presentations of their chosen country which they shared in house meetings.

Have a wonderful weekend from all in Year 3!



## YEAR 4

This week was bustling with various activities.

Throughout the week, English classes were focused on finalizing children's stories for an upcoming publication. In Maths, students diligently reinforced their understanding of measurement and length, encountering challenging tasks that pushed their abilities.

In Design and Technology (DT), Year 4 students were on the verge of completing their tote bags, putting the finishing touches on their hard work. Show and Tell brought immense joy to Year 4 as they not only explained the creation of their musical instruments for a Science project but also showcased their musical talents as a band – a resounding success!

Number Day on Friday was a hive of activity, featuring Year 6 students leading a math session, a spirited Kahoot game, and a competitive Bingo game. The enthusiasm and participation were commendable, with a special shoutout to Year 6 for their engaging teaching. Looking ahead, everyone is eager for Children's Mental Health Week in the coming week.

Wishing you a fantastic weekend!





# YEAR 5

We are approaching half-term; here are some of this weeks highlights: On Monday, Year 5 went to the Life Exhibition. This was an informative question and answer session to extend our understanding of Christianity. The session leaders were impressed with the depth of the questions children were asking.

On Tuesday, we had some very exciting celebrations for culture day. In their houses, children shared the origins of their clothing. They heard stories from across the globe and immersed themselves in various traditions. In class, children enjoyed sweet and savoury Indian treats - thank you to the parents for this experience.

In **English**, we wrote a letter in the tone of a character. In addition to this, we wrote a magazine article and discussed the historical context of our book, 'The Lizzie and Belle Mysteries.'

In **R.E**, we discussed the importance of a prayer and what religious people may ask for in their prayers.

In **Geography**, children designed a leaflet of a case study (The Ural Mountains) which act as a natural border. They are looking forward to feature this on display.

In **PSHE**, children identified the skills and qualities required for certain careers and identified the importance of a good workplace culture.

Have a good weekend.



# YEAR 6

Year 6 started the week on an enriching journey to the Life Exhibition where they looked into the significance and history of the Bible, explored passages offering life lessons and participated in a Q&A session.

In **PSHE**, they showed off their philanthropic spirit, meticulously planning a charity event with creative marketing strategies. Engaging with the cinematic world, we watched one of Charlie Chaplin's shorter silent movies. They honed their writing skills in English through a film review of the movie, blending facts, opinions and recommendations.

Art brought still life drawing where Year 6 used the easels and charcoal to sketch the intricate details of the stacked chairs. Meanwhile, in French, they celebrated the completion of their joyous pen pal project.

For Number Day, Year 6 worked incredibly hard to plan and prepare engaging and differentiated activities for children across the school. Activities included number bond games, Kahoot quizzes, problem solving challenges and role play activities using money.

A big well done to Year 6 for outstanding effort this week.

Have a restful weekend.



# STARS OF THE WEEK

**Congratulations to our stars of the week!**

This week, we celebrate...

### Stars of the Week

Maximilien (YR), Liza (Y1), Meera (Lovelace), Malik (Einstein), George (Y3), Maya (Y4), Isabelle (Y5), Arthur (Y6)

### PE Awards:

Herie, Yaseen, Dixie

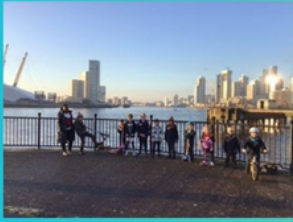
### Values Champions:

Cameron (YR), Zayyan (Y1), Dhilen (Einstein), Neel (Lovelace), Aarav (Y3), Laiba (Y4), Benjamin (Y5), Kayden (Y6)



# MORNING STROLL

JOIN US FOR A FARADAY...



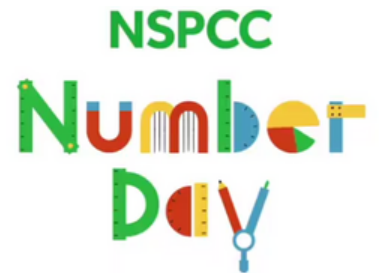
## Morning Stroll!

Staff, Parents and children are invited to walk, cycle or scoot to school together on Wednesday 21st February

### THE ITINERARY

Meet at East India Station from 8:15am  
At 8:30am - Walk to school via East India Dock Basin  
Stop off for a group picture opposite the 02.  
Onward to school for morning registration!

**Date Change:** Parents, Faraday Morning Stroll has been moved to after half term. We look forward to seeing you then!



We have raised a brilliant £143 for NSPCC Number today! .

If you would still like to make a donation over the weekend, please use the QR code below.



## CHALLENGE MS VALERIE

Challenge Ms Valerie continues next week..To take part pupils are asked to bring in bring in a dish that they have by themselves or with help from family members. Dishes must be homemade with the children fully participating.

So no buying the end product from the shops or having somebody make it for them. The recipes are simple, traditional and made with regular ingredients. Choose one (or more) dish from the list below that you will enjoy making. Several children will make the same dish and the judges will decide the winner. House points awarded for second and third place with the first place winner also invited to a delicious Traditional Tea with the library monitors. If a Library Monitor wins then they are welcome to invite a guest to enjoy the Traditional Tea with them.

- 1 st = 20 house points + Traditional Tea
- 2 nd = 10 house points
- 3 rd = 5 house points

The challenge continues until the end of June, below are some of the upcoming choices. (Full list in the library). The date of the challenge is the date that the dish should be brought into the school by your child for the competition.

- 05/02/24 - Cheese & Chive Scones
- 26/02/24 - Fruit Cobbler
- 04/03/24 - Lemon Cheesecake
- 11/03/24 - Fruit Cupcakes

Good luck!

## HOLIDAY CLUBS & ACTIVITIES

Best of the best  
COME AND JOIN US FOR LOTS OF FUN  
SPORTING ACTIVITIES

**HALF TERM CAMP**  
12TH FEB - 16TH 9AM - 3PM  
RAINES FOUNDATION UPPER SCHOOL  
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Sign up for Mrs Baycanli's half term football camp:

[Miss Baycanli Football Camp](#)

**Holiday Childcare Scheme**  
Bookings now open

Agges 3-13 years old

The Tower Hamlets Childcare Scheme offers Ofsted registered childcare.  
020 7364 0523  
www.towerhamlets.gov.uk/hcs

February scheme 2024 12-16 Feb (3 weeks)

**NSPCC**

**Online gaming and keeping children safe**

Do you know your whispers from your skins? Your Fortnite from your EA Sports FC 24?

GamCare will be sharing expert advice, and you'll hear directly from young people.

Our webinar will help you:

- understand how young people game online.
- learn about tools and resources that support safe play.
- gain the knowledge you need to keep children safe.

As part of the NSPCC Game Safe Festival, we're encouraging parents, carers and those working with children and families to have conversations about online gaming.

7 February 2024, 7pm-8pm, via Zoom. Book your place via this link: [nspcc.org.uk/gamesafe/tickets](https://nspcc.org.uk/gamesafe/tickets)

**GAME SAFE FESTIVAL**

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## DATES FOR DIARIES

Website link to Parent Google Calendar: <https://www.faradayschool.co.uk/life-at-faraday/calendar/>

FEBRUARY	
Monday 5th - Friday 11th February	Children's Mental Health Week
Wednesday 7th February	Faraday Stroll: 8:30am
Thursday 8th February	Values Award Breakfast with Mr Motion (Selected children are invited to attend)
Tuesday 6th February	Safer Internet Day
Wednesday 7th February	Year 4-6 Canary Wharf Ice Skating Session Year 2 - National Maritime Museum Visit
February Half Term - Monday 12th - Friday 16th February (Inclusive)	
Wednesday 21 <sup>st</sup> February	Faraday Stroll
Wednesday 28th February	Year 5 & 6 Girls' Football
Monday 26th February - Friday 1st March	Empathy Week
Thursday 29th February	French Day
MARCH	
Monday 4th March	Reception class visit - Buckingham Palace
Wednesday 6th March	Year 5 & 6 Boys' Football
Thursday 7th March	World Book Day
Week beginning Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	Big Walk Big Wheel Competition
Friday 15th March	Red Nose Day Year 2 Performance - Where the Wild Things Are - 2:30pm. Parents are invited to attend.
Week beginning Monday 18th March	Parent Teacher Meetings - booking information will be sent by email.
Tuesday 19th March	Barnado's Guest Speaker - Year 6 class
Wednesday 20th March	Faraday Stroll: 8:30am
Friday 22nd March	Year 3 & 4 Drama Showcase - 2:30pm. Parents are invited to attend.
Wednesday 27th March	<b>Last day of Spring Term - staggered, early finish</b> Early finish from 12pm School buses depart at 12:15pm  12:00 Reception 12:10 Year 1 12:20 Year 2 12:30 Year 3 12:40 Year 4 12:50 Year 5-6

New dates added regularly.  
Please check Dates for Diaries weekly!