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Weekly Newsletter Monday 5th March 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you all managed to stay warm last week!

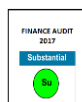
In a week when many local schools closed, St Gabriel's managed to stay open, thanks to the dedication and efforts of all of our staff. Particularly Mr Berhanu who was travelling in especially early each day, clearing paths and making sure the school and playground were safe for us all; and also for coming in at the weekend to fix a burst pipe! With the freezing temperatures, World Book Day was very unlike any we have had

before - the children (and staff!) looked fabulous in their costumes and they had a great time taking part in art activities in the afternoon related to the story they were reading.

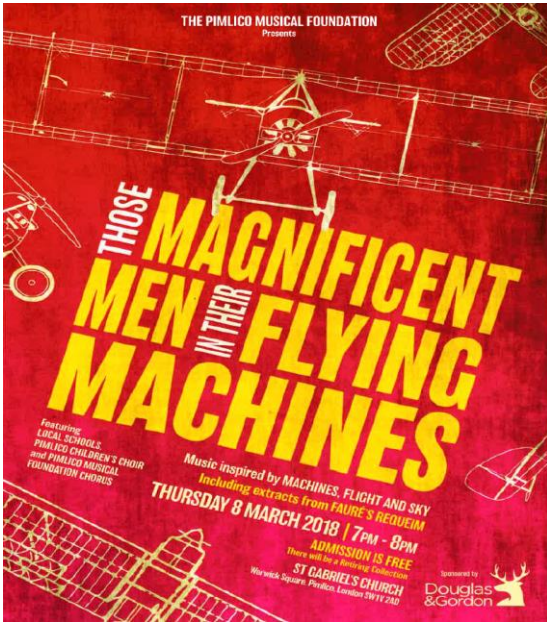
Before the snow hit, Class 2 enjoyed their visit to Pizza Express on Tuesday, but unfortunately swimming, parents evening and Class 5's visit to the library were cancelled. Parents evening has been rearranged to this Wednesday for all classes, and for class 1 on Tuesday. Thank you for your understanding with this.



Last week I received a wonderful letter from the Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP, Minister of State for School Standards. He congratulated all of the staff and pupils on our excellent results last year. In the letter he writes that St Gabriel's *'is in the top 2% of schools in England in terms of the progress your pupils make between key stage 1 and the end of key stage 2.'* He also writes, *'We want to ensure that every child has the necessary fluency in reading, writing and mathematics to prepare them for a successful*



secondary education and beyond, and your school has provided this.' So a huge well done to everyone!



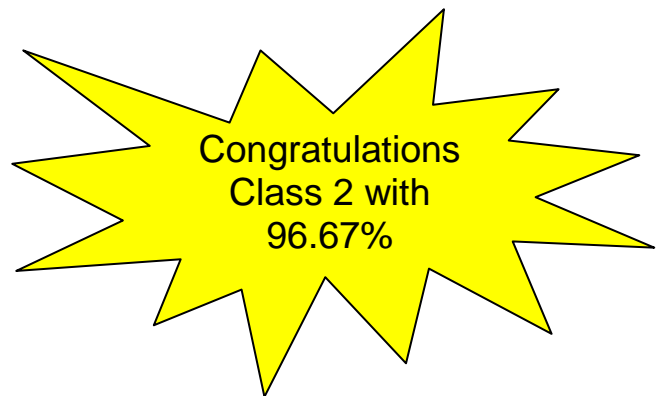
This week not only do we have our rescheduled parents evening, parents are also invited along to the Pimlico Musical Foundation's Children's choir concert: *Those Magnificent Men in Their Flying Machines* in St Gabriel's Church.

Several of our children are members of the Pimlico Children's Choir along with children from other local schools and they will be joined by some members of class 4 and 5 in the concert. If you would like to come, tickets are free and **the concert begins at 7pm.**

Attendance

Please ensure that your child arrives in school on time. Aiming for 8.50am ensures all children are in the playground ready for when the bell is rung at 9.00am.

	23/02/2018	02/03/2018
Class 6	95	93.67
Class 5	94.33	90.67
Class 4	91.72	88.97
Class 3	88.97	95.86
Class 2	94	96.67
Class 1	98.26	87.83
Class R	88.42	93.68
Average	93.05	92.58



Whole school attendance for the year so far was 95.47% 2 weeks ago, we are now down to 95.22%. Every single child makes a difference to whole school attendance. Please do support your child and the school by helping us to get past our target of 96% and in ensuring the best possible outcomes for our children.

Awards:

Star of the week: Last week – Madiha, Class 5 This week – Hamid, Class 6

Top Table: Key Stage 1: Last week – Ava S, Class R This week – Arebah, Class 2
Key Stage 2: Last week – Nayara, Class 4 This week – Yasseen, Class 5

Class of the week: Last week – Class R This week – Class 6

	Mentions Book	Courtesy Book
Class R	This week: Ayub and Shalom	Last week: Preston and Evelyn This week: Amanie and Ren
Class 1	This week: Nabel and Humayra	Last week: Apryl and Misheel This week: Enkela and Rina
Class 2	This week: Asia and Reo	Last week: Reece and Polina This week: Riley and Rania
Class 3	This week: Tallulah and Bilaal	Last week: Jahvan and Henry This week: Aaliyah and Meniah
Class 4	This week: Tahir and Mahdi	Last week: Jayden and Dany This week: Jana and Alsheriff
Class 5	This week: Omari and Luna	Last week: Omar and Yara This week: Mohammed and Luna
Class 6	This week: Mia and Ali	Last week: Benjamin and Aimie This week: Ali and Berkkan

Dates for the diary:

Please make a careful note of the holiday dates below. Any holiday absences in term time will not be authorised and parents may be liable for a fine.

Term/holiday Dates for the Spring and Summer term

TERM 4

Thursday 29th March 2018 – school finishes at 2.30pm.

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TERM 5

Monday 16th April 2018 – children return to school

Monday 7th May – school closed for the day for May day

Friday 25th May 2018 – school finishes at 3.30pm

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TERM 6

Monday 4th June 2018 – children return

Friday 15th June 2018 - school closed to children for Staff training day

Friday 20th July 2018 – school finishes at 2.30pm

Events for Parents:

Parents are as ever, warmly invited to Wednesday and Thursday assemblies. Wednesday assembly is for one Key Stage 2 class each week. Thursday assembly is Family assembly.

Tuesday 6th March – Class 1 Parents Evening in Class 1

Wednesday 7th March – rescheduled Parents evening classes R,2,3,4,5,6

Thursday 8th March 7-8pm – Pimlico Musical Foundation concert in St Gabriel's Church

Wednesday 28th March 3.30 – 4.15pm
- Open afternoon in classrooms

Trips:

Tuesday 6th March – Class 1 visiting Pizza Express

Tuesday 13th March – Class 5 to the British Museum

Friday 16th March – Class 1 to Vauxhall City Farm & Class 4 to British Museum

Many thanks

Rebecca Anson
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I have read and noted the contents of this newsletter. Date: 5th March 2018

Signed: _____

Child's name: _____ Class: _____