

# SIR JOHN CASS'S FOUNDATION PRIMARY SCHOOL

Monday 5th September, 2016

A voluntary aided Church of England primary school in the heart of the City of London



## Welcome back

Welcome back to school and to the new academic year. It's wonderful to see the children back in school today, so eager to start their lessons and meet their new teachers.

The teaching team has been hard at work over the last few days preparing for the new year. We had two training days in school last week where we explored several topical issues and thought in detail about the year ahead. We will be sharing information about the curriculum this year with you shortly at our Meet the Teacher Coffee Morning and Afternoon, Tuesday 13th September, 2016 at 9am and again at 3.30pm. It's really important that you attend these meetings as the teaching team will be able to discuss the year ahead, the curriculum and how you can support your child at home.

Over the summer our premises team and builders have been hard at work. You'll notice that all of the classrooms around the school have had the latest interactive technology installed as part of a teaching wall. This enhances the storage in each classroom but also dramatically improves the way we can display work, demonstrate and teach interactively making the best use of technology. This project has been generously funded by Sir John Cass's Foundation who we thank for making this significant grant to school.

We also welcome our new deputy head teacher to school and a couple of other colleagues who will be working with us this year— please extend your greetings when you meet. I look forward to working with you in partnership throughout the year. We operate an open door policy in school so if have any questions, comments or concerns, please don't hesitate to speak to me or a member of the leadership team.

Mr T Wilson | **Headteacher**

### Our new Deputy Headteacher and Head of Children's Centre

I would like to introduce myself as the new Deputy Headteacher of Sir John Cass's Foundation Primary school. I am excited to be joining the ambitious and dedicated team of staff here and working in partnership with the children, staff, governors and yourselves, the parent community, to ensure the continued excellence of the school as an exciting, happy and successful place to be.

Over the last 11 years, I have worked as a teacher and leader in schools in Brent and Hong Kong. Prior to starting at Sir John Cass's Foundation Primary School I was Deputy Headteacher at a 2 form entry Church of England Primary School.

Please do introduce yourselves when you see me. I look forward to meeting you and getting to know your children over the coming weeks.

Ms Alex Allan | **Deputy Headteacher and Head of Centre**



**Information  
about you  
and your  
family**

**Is your contact  
information up  
to date?**

**Are you receiv-  
ing school  
emails and  
texts?**

**Do you have  
an emergency  
contact listed  
on our data-  
base?**

**Please let the  
office know if  
your details  
have  
changed.**



## New arrangements for parking

As the building work on the new building on Mitre Square comes to a conclusion, the focus is shifting to the development of the public square.

We're excited about these improvements but there will be very significant changes to parking arrangements over the coming months. Old style permits for cars will soon be no longer valid and will be replaced with a new permit arrangement. You will need a valid permit to park on Mitre Street if you need your car to pick up or drop off children.

It's expected that there will be a limited number of spaces to park on Mitre Street which you will need a permit to use. Permits will be issued on the basis of need and we will invite applications from parents and carers later in the autumn term. We strongly encourage parents to travel to school by public transport or on foot.

Please look out for further announcements. You're also welcome to pop in to chat to a member of the leadership team about matter.

## Dinner Money and Extended Day Services

The cost of school meals is £1.90 per child per day. The cost of school meals for the Autumn term (up to 16th December 2016) is £133 per child.

We would encourage all parents and carers to pay for school meals via SIMS Agora, <https://www.simsagora.co.uk>. Each account is unique to your child. Please contact the school office if you are unable to access your child's SIMS account.

Booking forms for the School's extended day services and the associated charges are available from the School office. Please speak to either Tanya or Claire for further information.

<b>Mon 5 Sep 2016</b>	All day	☒ Children Return
<b>Fri 9 Sep 2016</b>	2:40pm – 3:10pm	☒ Head Boy and Girl Hustings
<b>Tue 13 Sep 2016</b>	9:00am – 9:20am	☒ KS2 School Council Elections
	9:00am – 9:30am	☒ Meet the teaching team (Coffee Morning) Y1-6
	11:40am – 12:00pm	☒ KS1 School Council Elections
	3:30pm – 4:00pm	☒ Meet the teaching team
<b>Mon 24 Oct 2016</b>	All day	☒ Half term week

## Term dates

### Autumn 2016

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September to  
Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October, 2016  
*Half term: Monday 24<sup>th</sup>  
October to Friday 28<sup>th</sup> Oc-  
tober 2016*

Monday 31<sup>st</sup> October to  
Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December,  
2016

### Spring 2017

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January to  
Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February,  
2017

*Half term: Monday 13<sup>th</sup>  
February to Friday 17<sup>th</sup>  
February, 2017*

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> February to  
Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April, 2017

### Summer 2017

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April to Fri-  
day 26<sup>th</sup> May, 2017

*Half term: Monday 29<sup>th</sup>  
May to Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June,  
2017*

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June to Friday  
21<sup>st</sup> July, 2017

*On the last day of each  
term the school closes at  
1.30pm*

### INSET Days 2016/17

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September,  
2016

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September, 2016  
Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January, 2017  
Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January,  
2017 (*You will need to  
come into school on this  
day for your child's progress  
meeting*)

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2017