

SIR JOHN CASS'S FOUNDATION PRIMARY SCHOOL

Friday 21st September 2018

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



Harvest

Our Harvest Festival will be held at St Botolph's church on 17th October.

This year we are supporting the Tower Hamlet's Foodbank, run by the First Love Foundation. We will be accepting donations of food between now and 19th October.

Suggestions for donations include:

- Washing powder
- Shampoo and conditioner
- Toilet roll
- Tinned rice pudding
- Cooking sauces
- Honey
- Long life milk
- Long life juices
- Tinned fruit
- Coffee
- Hot chocolate

PTA Meeting

We will be holding a PTA meeting on Tuesday 25th September at 9am. New parents very welcome to attend.

Annual Governors Meeting with Parent Forum

We will be holding our annual governors meeting to parents, with a parent forum at 9am on Tuesday 16th October.

Mansion House

Yesterday, some of our Year 3 and 4 children visited Mansion House to perform for the Lady Mayoress and her guests. This was their debut performance in public and they did a fantastic job. The audience enjoyed themselves so much, they even joined in. We look forward to seeing them perform more over the coming months.



Attendance

Parents and carers have a legal responsibility to ensure that their children attend school on a regular basis and do not miss out on their education without exceptional reasons. For some, 90% may seem like an acceptable level of attendance, but the reality is that 90% attendance means that your child will miss half a school day each week or 19 days of school during the school year – that's nearly 4 whole school weeks. A child's attendance is only deemed to be good if it is above 96%.

Here at SJC we work closely with the Education Welfare department at the City of London to support families to ensure their children are attending school daily. If your child's attendance falls below 90% during the year or the school has any concerns about a child's pattern of attendance you may be contacted by the school or the City of London to attend a meeting.

Please support us and your children by helping your child to get to school every day.

Calling all girls in Years 5 and 6...

City of London School for Girls have been granted some funding, and equipment to offer a robotics club, here at SJC, for girls in Years 5 and 6. This is in conjunction with Vex Robotics, a company who aim to develop children's creative problem solving skills and help them to have the opportunity to create something with technology. We will be holding a taster session on Monday 24th September from 3:30 - 4:45. Children will be able to decide if they would like to join the club after attending this session.



Art

Wanted! Have you got any old tiles or crockery you want to get rid of? We are going to be working with an artist to create a mosaic of the school, including key City landmarks. Children have been working on sketches of buildings for the last 2 weeks and will be transferring their observations into a mosaic over the coming weeks. http://www.artyface.co.uk/arty_alfredsalter_2.php

Remembrance: To commemorate 100 years since the end of WWI, we are going to be decorating our railings with poppies and labels of community members' memories, thoughts and experiences of conflict. We are crowdfunding for resources for the project—details of which can be found at: <https://www.spacehive.com/sjc-remembrance-day>

Dates for Your Diary

Please keep an eye on the school calendar for events and occasions in school. Where possible we will try to give you plenty of advanced notice of school events, however we are sometimes lucky enough to be offered opportunities at the last minute.

Fri 28 Sep 2018	● 2:50 – 3:20pm	Class Assembly - Y6
Fri 19 Oct 2018	● 2:50 – 3:20pm	Class Assembly - Y1
Fri 2 Nov 2018	● 2:50 – 3:20pm	Class Assembly - 2C
Fri 9 Nov 2018	● 2:50 – 3:20pm	Class Assembly - 2I
Fri 16 Nov 2018	● 2:50 – 3:20pm	Class Assembly - Y5
Fri 23 Nov 2018	● 2:50 – 3:20pm	Class Assembly - Y4
Fri 30 Nov 2018	● 2:50 – 3:20pm	Class Assembly - Y3

Data Collection

If you have not yet return your updated data collection forms, please can you do so as soon as possible. It is important that we have the most up to date contact details for you in case of an emergency.

The next newsletter is due on 5th October.

With thanks,

A Allan

Headteacher