Caring for each other

In our assembly in Church this week we were thinking about how we are bound together with each other. We did a little experiment—Andrew tried to join us together with paper clips, pegs and bolts but none of these were terribly successful.

What we are actually bound with is much stronger than this. In our school and wider community we have ties of friendship, courtesy and respect for each other. This is what holds us together.

It’s a privilege to work in a school where the children genuinely look after each other. Perhaps we can reflect on the following ideas in the week to come:

- What holds us together?
- How can we make those bonds stronger?
- What will you do today to care for others?

With thanks,
Mr T Wilson | Headteacher

Summer Fair
13th July, 2018
After the half term we’re looking for donations for the summer fair of nearly new toys, books, prizes, lucky dip items, home made crafts, cakes and more. Non-perishable donations can be brought in after the half term holiday.

We also need volunteers! Are you able to help? Our next PTA meeting is on Monday 11th June, 2018 at 9am.

Congratulations
I am sure that you will join us in congratulating Ms Khan on her appointment as Interim Deputy Headteacher. She will be stepping up into the role for the next academic year.

Year 5 and 6 Cricket
Well done to the year 5 & 6 cricket team! We reached the semi-final, winning our opening two games comfortably thanks to some accurate bowling and big hitting from a number of players.

Unfortunately we narrowly lost the semi-final, in what was a very close game and could have gone either way. The team we lost to then went on to win the tournament. Well done to the team: Iris, Sabrina, Arabella, Adam Dreyer, Adam Gharbi, Frankie, Markos, Orson, Dhanyaal and Arthur.

Job vacancies
Please keep an eye on our website during the next few weeks. We’re recruiting for two posts—both of which parents are encouraged to apply for. We’re looking for a crossing patrol person to work before and after school assisting children to cross the road in a safe manner. We’re also recruiting two full time teaching assistant positions. To find out more, visit: http://www.sirjohnncassprimary.org/job-vacancies.html
We're very proud to be taking part in the London-wide Open Squares and Gardens weekend. This amazing annual event showcases some of the green air quality initiatives developed by the school as well as our recently renovated rooftop allotment.


We need your help!! The PTA would like to run an Open Gardens Café where visitors could enjoy some light refreshments. We need some volunteers to help run the café and also some cakes, biscuits or treats donated to sell. All proceeds will go towards the PTA which helps to fund additional curriculum projects around the school. Email: sirjohn casspta@hotmail.com if you can help.

School Food

If your child is in year 3-6 you must keep up to date with your payments for school dinners. We are needing to spend time in the office at the moment chasing up parents who have not paid or are very late in doing so.

Please speak to Johanna or Lizzie in the office if you need to arrange a payment plan or if you think you might be eligible for free school meals, we will be happy to help you apply.

Mathematics Workshops for Parents

We’ve been improving our approach and consistency to mathematics teaching this year and we’re holding meetings with parents to discuss our new calculation policy. There will be lots of opportunities for discussion and time to share practical approaches and methods which children will be using in school.

We have two sessions. Parents of children in Class 2 should attend on Friday 29th June, 2018 at 9.00am. Parents of Children in Class 3, 4 and 5 should attend on 6th July, 2018.

Aldgate Square

We’re very excited about the amazing development just outside the front of the school. The final stages of preparation for the launch of the new square have been particularly special as the area begins to feel green and open.

Our children are involved in various events which will be held as the square is launched including drama and dancing during the Festival and a musical performance for an official event with the Lord Mayor of the City of London in July.

We do hope you are able to get involved with the celebrations. What a difference this will make to our community? It was only a few years ago that cars and lorries were blazing past!

Year 6 enjoyed a super day at Victoria Park last Friday upon completion of their last Standardised Test. Children have worked conscientiously over the last few months to ensure they are well prepared. We thank them for their efforts.

We’re very proud of our children as they approach the end of their primary school career. Next, we’re thinking about the transition to secondary school and the work continues in school across the full range of the curriculum.

Keep your eyes peeled for end of year events—details of which are already on the school calendar.
ALDGATE SQUARE
FESTIVAL
15th - 17th JUNE 2018

MUSIC
ARTS
ACTIVITIES
PERFORMANCE
CHILDREN’S AREA
GAMES
FROM ALDGATE AND BEYOND

TIMINGS
Friday 15 June
from 4 pm
Saturday 16 June
from 12 pm
Sunday 17 June
from 12 pm - 3pm

CELEBRATING ALL THE
AREA HAS TO OFFER

LAUNCHING THE NEW ALDGATE SQUARE
Aldgate High Street, EC3N / FREE ENTRY / OPEN TO ALL

The festival is being led by City of London in partnership with organisations, including St Botolph without Aldgate, Kahaia Café, Sir John Cass’s Foundation Primary School, Canon Barnett Primary School, Toynbee Hall, Aldgate Community Events, The Aldgate Play Project, Artizan Street Library and Community Centre, Middlesex Street Estate, Mansell Street Estate, Golden Lane Estate, The Aldgate Partnership, Arts Admin and Toynbee Studios, Cardboard Citizens, London Metropolitan Archives, Survey of London, London Metropolitan University, Swadhinata Trust, RadhaRaman Society and Tower Bridge, amongst many others

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Dates for your diary

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Prayer Spaces in Schools

We’re planning a Prayer Space in school. Prayer Spaces in Schools enable children and young people, of all faiths and none, to explore these life questions, spirituality and faith in a safe, creative and interactive way.

We’re looking for volunteers to help lead the prayer activities.

Your commitment would be to attend a meeting on Friday 8th June at 10.30am so we could plan the sessions for Prayer Space week. We’d then need you back in school on one or two days from Monday 25th June, 2018.

You can find out more about the work of Prayer Spaces on their website: https://www.prayerspacesinschools.com

Talk to Tim Wilson if you’re interested in getting involved.

Amazing progress in Year 1 RE books! Well done.

Drumming in the Gym