



Dear parents: I have been to China many times but must admit I had never heard of the city of Wuhan until this week. I remember vividly Hong Kong flu when I was a child and then Sars and Ebola and swine flu all of which have been contained and passed into history. This one has been acted on quickly so please God it will be the same. People seem to love a good apocalyptic scare these days but life usually carries on. Anyway it is a good time to remind children that one of the best ways to stop colds and flus etc is by hand washing. I'm hoping to install even more hand washing facilities soon. See my recommended book below. It is the start of Chinese New Year and my least favourite animal the Rat. But it is a great time for family and celebrations. Florence our cook did delicious vegetable noodles yesterday. So Gong xi fa can 2020. (Gong she fa tsai) pronounced.

School news ... this week

Monday 3 teachers from Singapore visited.
Parent consultation week

Tuesday Year 2 @ Museum of Childhood

Wednesday... Year 6 assembly 9.15am on The Climate well done to Ms Ruminska and her class who all spoke beautifully. Good turn out of parents for a Year 6 class too.

School news ... next week

Monday . Y5@ The Planetarium + Islamic Art week

Wednesday... Year 5 assembly 9.15am all welcome.

Friday .. Achievement assembly with certs

Parent consultation week ... Seems to have been very well attended with no major dramas. Full figures and top classes next week. Thank you for attending. It is a really good sign of a successful school to get high turn outs on parents evening. Not every school does.

Pics of the week ... Y2 @ The Museum of Childhood CAFOD new team ..first snowdrops of the year Year 6 climate change assembly ... Florence and Chinese noodles . + the wonderful lovely man Terry Jones RIP



Attendance ... Year 1 had an amazing 100% last week and Y4 most on time punctual class.

and finally we're doomed. No not Davos, pandemics and apocalyptic warnings more about West Ham and our Premier League survival hopes..... we've got 3 easy games coming up Liverpool twice and then Man City !! .. Terry Jones lived near me and would often see him in the Prince of Wales Highgate. My favourite line ever was his scream : 'Myrrh !! What's myrrh?' Bill Bryson's book The Body a great dipper into book in these pandemic days ... wash your hands ... my best TV moment was Bikram on Netflix last Saturday well worth a look and very well made documentary .. roll on February !!