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Family Update – Friday 16th January

Dear Families,

We cannot believe that we are into the second week of this Spring Term. The transition into this new term has been smooth and positive, and it has been wonderful to observe the enthusiasm, focus and maturity shown across all year groups. We are already seeing encouraging progress in learning and personal development, reflecting the hard work of both pupils and staff.

We are also delighted to have welcomed students from the Royal College of Music, who have joined us on placement in Year 3. The children have been extremely excited to work with them, and we are very grateful for the opportunity they bring to share their musical knowledge, skills and talents with our school community. Music plays an important role in our curriculum, and this collaboration promises to be a rich and inspiring experience for our pupils.

The Senior Leadership Team would like to extend our sincere thanks to everyone who attended the FoSMA AGM on Wednesday, both virtually and in person. Your continued support, engagement and commitment to the life of the school are greatly appreciated, and we are thankful for the time you give so generously.

Changes to the Ofsted Inspection Framework

In November 2025, Ofsted introduced an updated Education Inspection Framework that changes how schools are inspected and how inspection findings are reported.

Under the new approach, the traditional overall judgement (such as Outstanding or Good) has been replaced with a detailed report card showing separate grades for key areas of school life, such as curriculum and teaching, attendance and behaviour, inclusion, leadership and governance, and personal development and well-being.

These areas are now graded on a five-point scale ranging from Exceptional to Urgent Improvement, giving parents a more nuanced and transparent picture of a school's strengths and where improvements are needed.

The new framework also puts greater emphasis on inclusion, support for vulnerable pupils, and engagement with parents as part of the inspection process, and safeguarding is reported separately as either met or not met. Inspections under this refreshed framework aim to be more collaborative and informative, helping families better understand how schools are performing and supporting their children's education.

Our last inspection was in May 2023 and we are not due another inspection until 2027. If you would like to find out more about the new framework, please click [here](#).

Year 2 Spring 1 Learning



It was a very exciting start to the term thanks to the snow! We had so much fun playing in the snow and exploring where ice had formed in the playground!

In **History**, we are learning about Florence Nightingale. We have learnt about primary and secondary sources. Here we are presenting our posters to the class.



In **PE**, we are learning different ball skills using our feet. We have been learning about dribbling and keeping control.

In **Music**, we are continuing to enjoy our whole class violin lessons with Mr Nim. Here we are composing our own pieces using the new notes we learnt!



Attendance

Well done to Year 2, our attendance winners this week!

Congratulations Year 2, on your strong start to the term. Keep it up!

Class	Attendance figures
Nursery	89.2%
Reception	91.3%
Year 1	89.2%
Year 2	98.2%
Year 3	97.8%
Year 4	97.3%
Year 5 /6	97.7%

Enford Street Works – Transport for London

Enford Steet will be closed again from 19th January to 21st February for essential works being carried out by Transport for London. There will be no access into Enford Street.

Dates for Diaries

Important events for the remainder of the academic year. All of these dates are also on our school website calendar here: <https://www.stmbs.org.uk/diary/grid/2024/09/>

Date	Time	Focus	Led by/who is invited
Thurs 22nd Jan	am	Orchestral Workshop with Sinfonia Smith Square	Year 2
Mon 26th Jan	pm	Architecture Workshop	Year 3
Thurs 29th Jan	Pm	Orchestral Performance in school	Years 3-6
Mon 2nd Feb	10am - 2pm	Reception class to the London Aquarium	Reception
Tues 3rd Feb	Pm	Performance of the Sound of Music at Westminster School	Years 4, 5 & 6
Weds 4th Feb	am	Author visit at Christ Church NW1	Years 4, 5 & 6
Tues 10th Feb	pm	Parent Teacher meetings	
Weds 11th Feb	pm	School Service at St Mary's Church	Whole School
Thurs 12th Feb	All day	String Ensemble playing at St Paul's Cathedral	Invited Pupils
Mon 16th Feb – Mon 20th Feb		Half Term Holiday	Whole School
Mon 2nd Mar	am	Year 6 Junior Westminster Event	Year 6
Fri 6th Mar	All day	Dress up for World Book Day	Whole School
Mon 9th – Fri 13th Mar		Science Week	Whole School
Thurs 26th Mar	3.15pm	FoSMA Easter Bake Sale	Whole School
Fri 27th Mar	1.30pm	End of Term	Whole School

Dear God,

We thank you for our school and all of the children and adults who make up our school community.

We pray that your presence fills our school and our hearts, so that on a daily basis, we can live out our vision of 'Excellence with Compassion'.

In Jesus' name we pray.

Amen



Circle of Security Parenting Group Westminster

Dates: 30th January - 27th March with a break for half term on 20th February (creche available)

Times: Friday Mornings - 10.00 - 11.30 am

Location: 255 Old Marylebone Road, NW1 5QT

Would you appreciate time and space to think through how you can help your children thrive at school and home? If yes there's a new group for you in Westminster.

Website

www.connectedlives.org.uk

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Over 8 sessions we think about our children's emotional needs and try and decode some of their confusing or challenging behaviour. Learning from each other, the material and the facilitators we think about how to be the bigger, stronger, wiser and kind parents our children need.

Circle of Security Parenting Groups have been running for many years all over the world with parents and carers from many different cultures and backgrounds. We know that it can be a big help and we'd love you to join us.

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