

St. Boniface said of St. Bede that
'he shone forth like a lantern.'

The Lantern



Thursday 19th October

Dear Everyone

I hope you are well.

Please do enjoy some quality time with your family over the half-term break. Tomorrow school is closed for staff training.

God Bless

Gary

Collection From School

It is very important that your child knows who is to collect them from school and can recognise that adult. Although we keep a list of names, the teachers cannot be expected to recognise all the faces of those people we are told can collect a child. Some parents nominate as many as **ten** adults who can pick up their child—that is potentially an awful lots of adults collecting across an entire class.

We try our best to ensure that the child goes with the correct adult but we rely upon your child in helping us do this. If we were to guarantee that a child went with the correct adult, we would have to insist that the same adult collected a child every night of the week—that would in itself be thirty faces for the teacher to get to know. We know that such an arrangement would not work for many of you and so ask that you ensure that your child knows who is collecting them and can recognise their face.

It is very important that those parents who use an after school provider to collect their children have assured themselves that collection goes as they would like it. The school does not monitor the quality of after school care—this is a job for parents.

Dates for The Diary

Thursday 19th October 2.30 pm

Y6 Trip to The Moscow State Circus

Estimated arrival back at school 8.30 pm -

- a group call text will be sent.

Friday 20th October

School Closed for Staff Training

Monday 23rd Oct– 27th Oct

School Closed Half-term Holiday

Monday 30th October

Back to School

Clubs start this week

After-school Tutoring starts this week

Saturday School (y2) starts this week—

Saturday 4th November 9.00-11.00am

Thursday 2nd November 6.30 pm

PA AGM

Thursdays 9th and 16th November 4.45pm onwards

Nursery and Reception Parental Consultations

Friday 10th November 2.45 pm

3C Class Assembly

Non-uniform day.

Year 2

This year we will be having a carol concert led by Y2 rather than a nativity. This is because the children already present a nativity in Reception to their parents and in recent years in school we have found that we are all 'nativity-ed out' - we have one too in the nursery. We have set a date for Thursday 14th December at 2.15 pm. It would be great if you are able to join us in Church and sing along with the children.

After half-term, we start a new menu. Each infant child will have received the menu—and KS2 children who are entitled to Free School Meals too. The menu is also available on our website.

Thought for The Week

Two years ago we stepped forward on a new four year development plan for the school. Well, we are half-way, so how are we doing?

I set out for you below a summary of where we have reached:

Target		What we were aiming for by 2017—half-way....	What we have achieved at the half-way point
1	To have moved more teaching from good to the top grade of outstanding	65% judged outstanding None requiring improvement	50% judged outstanding - still very pleasing! 10% requiring improvement
2	Further developed our teaching of reading	80% of children meeting national expectations with 20% exceeding at Y6	90% and 30%
3	Ensured that disadvantaged children do as well as others in maths	No gap in attainment	No gap in 2017
4	Developed our ability to teach arithmetic	80% of children meeting national expectations	Y6 93%

If you have any questions as to how we intend to improve further by 2019 please do email me at gary.nott@redbridge.gov.uk

Lantern Certificates

Eden Butcher; Victoria Garote; Stacey Gyasi; Raphael Oseruonabhen Inedia; Amelie Jackson-Brown; Gabriela Kowalski; Louisa Kwarteng; Ikechukwu Obi; Eadie O'Brien; Francesca Ojo; Lota Okonkwo; David Zawrotniak; Lillie-Mae Parry; Dermique Roserie; Jezebel Salter; Rebecca Sholoye; Amila Lasocka; Justin Malhi; Barney Perkins; Ashton Morgan; Camila Gomes Monteiro; Carl Meira; Layla Brooks; Olivia Eriksson-Hassan; Kristopher Ibuaka; Chris Osei-Mensah; Michaela Alcid; Samaya Alexander; Olivia Biggins; Sean Coady; Nandika Stakelyte; Luke Borra; Emilija Gudiaviciute; Tia Harford; Faith Obeng-Amponsah; Harry Wood

Samaritan's Purse

This year we are again inviting each family to prepare a shoebox of gifts for distribution to families in need. The teachers have spoken to the children all about it so please do talk to your child about it this half-term. Each class will be filling a box too.

Shine like a lantern, in the presence of the Lord.