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Laleham Lea

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Dear Parents,

Whilst the weather may have been miserable, we all returned to Laleham Lea in high spirits this week, ready for the challenge that a new term and new year brings.

It has been lovely to hear about everyone's Christmas celebrations, and we celebrated Epiphany together on Tuesday.

We have already enjoyed one trip this week with Year 6 visiting the Houses of Parliament yesterday. Thank you to Mrs Ting, Mrs Morbin and our parent volunteer for accompanying this trip.

Next week Year 1 and 2 will be visiting the Polka Theatre in Wimbledon to see 'The Snowflake', we hope they have a wonderful time.

Please make a note of the dates for your diary below, these will be updated each week.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Reece

Headteacher

House Points

Wulstan

Total—1846

Alban

Total—1774

Edmund

Total—1765

Mayne

Total—1696

Dates for your Diary

- Jan 14th—Year 1 & 2 Polka Theatre Trip
- Jan 15th—Year 5 & 6 Swimming
- Jan 19th—Young Voices Yrs. 4-6
- Jan 21st—Year 1 Library Trip
- Jan 28th—Maths Quiz @ Thomas Becket School
- Jan 29th—Year 5 & 6 Swimming
- Feb 3rd—Year 1 Toys Workshop
- Feb 12th—Year 5 & 6 Swimming
- Feb 13th—Toyshops Workshop Nursery—Y2
- Feb 26th—Year 5 & 6 Swimming
- March 9th—Science Museum Y3
- March 11th—Science Quiz @ St Mary's
- March 12th—Year 5 & 6 Swimming
- March 20th—LAMDA exams
- March 26th—Year 5 & 6 Swimming
- March 27th—Term ends 2pm.



The Catholic life of the school



We returned to school on Tuesday—the feast of the Epiphany, commemorating the visit of the Magi (Three Kings) to the baby Jesus and marking the end of the 12 days of Christmas. Year 4 attended a special Mass at John the Baptist on Tuesday and all classes have been learning about Epiphany this week.

Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord rises upon you. See, darkness covers the earth and thick darkness is over the peoples, but the Lord rises upon you and his glory appears over you. Nations will come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. (Isaiah 60:1-6).

Gospel Values

Well done to this week's Gospel Values award winners for showing our values of **Compassion, Gentleness, Justice, Love, Forgiveness and Hope**.



Mass



Year 4 attended a special Epiphany Mass at John the Baptist on Tuesday.

Nursery

This week Nursery have been exploring winter. The children enjoyed participating in a variety of activities including:

- Listening to a story called 'The Biggest Snowman Ever' and discussing the characters and structure of the story. As an extension, the children used white paint and a variety of media and materials to create their own snowman on black paper.
- Completing a winter counting sheet using a number line for support.
- Using a variety of materials and pictures to create our own winter poster.



Reception



Reception class has had a fantastic first week back! It has been wonderful to see them settle into their routines so quickly following the Christmas break. We are already buzzing with excitement about our new topic 'Space' and have begun learning the names of the planets in our solar system with the help of some catchy rhymes and songs.

In class, we enjoyed reading the story 'Whatever Next!' and had great fun bringing it to life through acting and role-play. I can't wait to read and hear about all the interesting space facts the children will be writing about for their home learning! Well done for a great start to the term Reception!

Year 1



Year 1 enjoyed a thoughtful circle time this week reflecting on the importance of family. We discussed our own families and how we are all part of God's family.



Year 2



Year 2 have enjoyed making colourful African masks as part of their topic on Kenya.

Year 3



Year 3 have been exploring the Epiphany by hot seating with a quick fire Q&A with the three kings in character and full costume!

Year 4

Year 4 have kicked off 2026 with an exciting Time Travellers PSHE adventure!

Pupils journeyed back through their memories to reflect on a special moment from 2025—celebrating achievements, friendships, and personal milestones that made last year meaningful.

Looking ahead, the children imagined what could help them continue growing this year and sketched their own future-thinking inventions. From confidence-boosting gadgets to kindness machines, their creativity was truly inspiring!

To finish their journey, each pupil chose a powerful one-word resolution—a value or goal they want to focus on throughout 2026. These words were carefully written and sealed in their time capsules, ready to be opened at the end of the year.

Year 4 are ready for their best year yet—brimming with imagination, ambition, and determination!



Year 5



Year 5 created beautiful pictures, illustrations and models for homework to celebrate Epiphany this week.

Congratulations to our Year 5 student who celebrated her first Holy Communion in the Philippines over the Christmas break.



Year 6

This week, Year 6 visited the Houses of Parliament for an inspiring day of history and democracy. Walking through the iconic Westminster Hall and seeing the Commons and Lords chambers first-hand brought our "British Values" curriculum to life.



Stars of the week

