

Dear parents and carers

The season of Advent begins on Sunday 30 November, when we watch and wait with expectation for the arrival of Jesus Christ. The LDBS has shared an online Advent Calendar for 2025 *Joy to the World*. The calendar explores how Christians globally retell this universal story in words and images. From the 1st December, click here to enter the [Advent Calendar 2025 Primary](#).

What has been happening this week?

This week, children in **Year 1** were treated to a pantomime! We watched a performance of *Beauty and the Beast* and loved all the songs and characters. We have also been practising our fine motor and cutting skills by making decorations for the Christmas disco. Keep your eyes peeled for them next week!

This morning, we enjoyed a fantastic assembly from **5 Birch**. They shared their learning across a range of subjects, and we travelled through their learning in a big yellow submarine. Their finale song was *Stargazing* by Miles Smith. Well done to Miss Brommage and 5 Birch.

Head Girl and Head Boy Report

Monday's assembly was about Maria Montessori. She changed the way that children are taught, and there are now many schools around the world that use her methods. In RE we are learning about Christmas and the different points of view from Matthew, Luke and John. We are really excited for the Christmas disco next week as we know the DJ is always so good. In singing assembly with Mr Tang, we are practising Christmas carols ready for the end-of-term church service.

Have a lovely weekend.

Jess and Vishan

Sports at Princess Frederica

On Wednesday afternoon the boys' school football team represented the school against Roe Green Primary in the Brent Cup 2nd Round.

The boys got off to a good and steady start, showing excellent hard work and pressing on their opponents. This led to them winning their tackles and causing the opposition to panic in their defence and quickly going 2-0 in front. Half time came and the boys found themselves with a comfortable 4-0

advantage. They started the second half with the same intensity and knowing the game still wasn't won yet, upped their levels, battling across the pitch and ended the match as 5-0 winners. Overall it's very pleasing to see the boys are learning that playing football is about using your head and your heart to win and not just about their ball playing ability. A brilliantly well deserved win that takes us into the quarter finals of the cup. Fantastic performance all round. Well played to the boys.

Mr Chantler.

Music at Princess Frederica

Thursday 4th December

Boys' Singing Club and Girls' Choir performances at Westfield Shopping Centre, 1 and 2pm respectively.

Friday 5th December - FS singing and drumming performances.

9:20 - Nursery

9:50- Reception Dandelion

10:20 - Reception Buttercup

Thursday 11th December at 10:00am- Nativity- featuring 2H lead roles. (year 1s to sing a song as a class)

Friday 12th December at 10:00am- Nativity- featuring 2T lead roles (year 1s to sing a song as a class)

Wednesday 17th December Concerts

1:30pm- year 4 Steel Pans and Recorder Group (*please note change of time for year 4*)

3pm- Year 5&6 Steel Pans, recorder and class bands

Monday 15th December at 6pm

Carols @ St Clement Church, Sirdar Road, W11 4EQ

We are hoping for anyone from the following groups to come to play if possible.

- the string ensemble;
- year 4-6 brass players

The whole school community is invited to attend to sing with us.

Donations request - books and toys

In order to diversify the resources in Early Years, Miss Bourne would be grateful for donations of any unwanted books or toys, such as dolls, which represent children of different ethnicities.
Thank you.

Freds Spirit Wear is back!

We're excited to share some specially designed winter items for our Freds community, available now on the Spirit Ink website. These are offered at a low cost, and every purchase helps support our school.

Take a look and place your order here:

<https://spirit-ink.co.uk/collections/princess-frederica-full-collection>

After School Clubs

The timetable for the Spring Term After School Clubs is attached, and clubs will open on the School Gateway for booking on Wednesday 10th December at 6pm. The exception is bookings for STEM Club and Coding Club which will open next week on Wednesday 3rd December at 5pm.

The timetable is remaining much the same as this term, but with a new Arts and Crafts Club for Reception to Year 2 and a Pottery Club for Years 1 and 2 replacing Athletics Club and Mindfulness Club.

Residential Trip

A reminder that the deadline for payment of the trip deposit of £50 (£25 FSM) is Friday 12th December. If you would like your child to go on the trip but need financial assistance to do so please contact Ms Christopher or Jane Kent.

Parents SEND Whats App Group

There is a newly formed group for parents and this is the link

It's called 'Freds SEND Parents' : <https://chat.whatsapp.com/CYmpQ5s2Yja0ZUK6tO80p8>

PSA News

Fred's Trees and Wreaths

If you've been waiting for pay day, good news: you can still order a beautiful tree or wreath by Wednesday 3rd to be able to collect on Saturday 6th. Get your feel good tree now on Gateway.

Calling all Christmas Elves!

If you're able to help decorate the school this Sunday afternoon between 3pm and 5pm join the what's app group here

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/ERpCZt9FYZKBIJStduQXG3>

If you're able to help handing over trees and wreaths next Saturday 6th between 9am and 1pm for 1 hour join the what's app group here

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/KSeJba5lssXGU8d5xTtZgo>

Dates for your diary

Tuesday 2nd December - Year 2 trip to the Science Museum

Tuesday 9th December - Year 5 trip to the National Army Museum

Thursday 11th December at 10am - Nativity featuring 2 Honeysuckle

Friday 12th December at 10am - Nativity featuring 2 Thistle

Monday 15th December at 6pm - Lifefull Schools Carol Service at St Clement Church

Wednesday 17th December - Christmas lunch

Wednesday 17th December at 1:30pm - Year 4 Steel pans Concert

Wednesday 17th December at 3pm - Year 5 and 6 Steel pans concert

Friday 19th December at 10:00am Christmas Church Service at St Martin's

Friday 19th December at 1:30pm - End of Term

Class assemblies at 10:00am in the main hall

Friday 16th January - 4 Cherry

Friday 23rd January - 3 Bramble

Friday 30th January - 4 Apple

Friday 6th February - 3 Hawthorn

Friday 13th February - 2 Thistle

Friday 27th February - 1 Sage

Friday 13th March - 2 Honeysuckle

Friday 24th April - 1 Thyme

Friday 1st May - Reception Buttercup

Friday 15th May - Reception Dandelion

Friday 12th June - Nursery

PSA cake sale dates:

11th and 12th December - Year 1

22nd and 23rd January - Year 2

26th and 27th February - Year 3

19th and 26th March - Year 6

23rd and 24th April - Year 4

14th and 15th May - Year 5

Have lovely weekend

With kind regards

Nicola Christopher