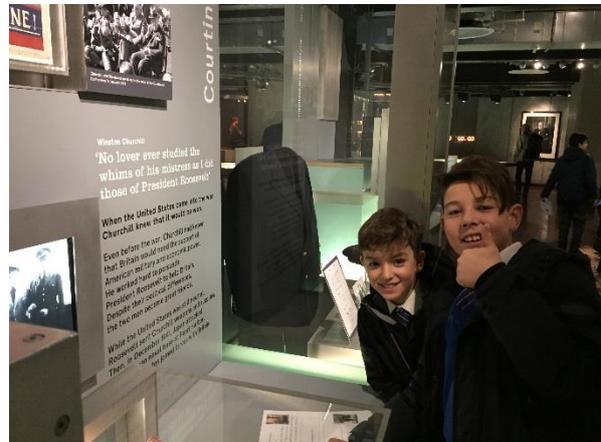


## Year 6 Visit the Churchill War Rooms:

On Wednesday, Year 6 took a step back in time by going underground into Sir Winston Churchill's secret bunker. Having studied World War II in their history lessons for the last term, and studied the book *Once* (set during World War II), they were able to build on their knowledge to learn even more about the man who led our country during the war. All of Year 6 had a fantastic time and really showed off their enthusiasm and passion for learning.



## Sayers Croft:

Last Monday, Year 5 went on the first residential trip of the year to Sayers Croft in Surrey. We were away for three days and enjoyed many fun and exciting team building activities. From a fire made by Mr Haimendorf (who visited us on the Monday evening) to a night walk that took nerves of steel were just some of the highlights to name! I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the members of staff who gave up their personal time to ensure that this residential trip was a great success and the parents who supported their children in going.



### Summit Party:

It's that time again! On Monday, we will hold a Summit Party for pupils who have achieved 20 or more stamps. These pupils are able to wear their own clothes on Monday. Parents will receive an email as to whether their child has made the celebration on Friday.

### A Message from our Sixth Form Charity Team:

The Charity Committee in the Year 13 Prefect Team are trying to give back to the local community.

We would like to include the pupils from Years 1 to Year 6 by encouraging them to decorate and fill boxes with various mini gifts to give to a local care home. We would really appreciate if you could support us by providing the children with mini gifts that they could fill their boxes for the elderly with. This could include packets of biscuits, tea, slippers, candles, cards, board games or anything else you think the elderly residents of the care home may appreciate.

Thank you for your support,

Nadia Ezbakh and Fatema Begum.

### Key Dates:

Please see below for key dates during half term 3.

Half Term	Date	Time	Activity
	8 <sup>th</sup> January	15.15-17.45	Primary parents evening with sharing of assessment data, session 1
Half term 3	15 <sup>th</sup> January	15.15-17.45	Primary parents evening with sharing of assessment data, session 2

### Parents Evening:

Please remember to log onto the parent booking system to book your meeting with your child's class teacher (link on the home page of the website). This will be a chance for parents to hear how their child is progressing and how they can be best supported at home with their learning.

Booking is now open for the January parents evening sessions.

### Clubs:

We're really excited to be able to offer Years 3 – 6 cricket. We also have some spaces in netball club for girls across the Junior School. If you would like to sign up for these, please do so by Monday so we can secure your place and confirm. Payments will need to be made by the end of Tuesday.

### School Photos Catch Up:

We are aware that some siblings did not have their photo taken together on the day of the school photos. If your children were not photographed together and you would like them to be, please let us know by emailing [parents@kingsolomonacademy.org](mailto:parents@kingsolomonacademy.org) The catch up session will be on 30th Jan. Photos will be available to view and purchase early in the new year. The deadline to request a sibling photo will be 25th January, by which time parents will have had an opportunity to view the photos which were taken.

### Parent Volunteers for Trips:

Thank you to all of the parents who came to the trips training and joined us on trips this week. For any parents who would like to join a trip this year but were unable to attend the briefing, there will be a repeat of the training session with Ms England on Tuesday 16th January at 8.30am. Please email to confirm your attendance [k.England@kingsolomonacademy.org](mailto:k.England@kingsolomonacademy.org)

**PSHE:**

On Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December we will be having our second session from our first PSHE cycle of this year. The children will be learning all about how to keep themselves healthy. If you would like more information on the PSHE curriculum please refer to the following: <http://kingsolomonacademy.org/pastoral/pshe-curriculum>

**This week's Junior School Attendance:**

**Target:** 96.5%+

Class	Attendance %	
	Last week	This Week:
Derby	97.9%	93.8%
Queen Mary	97.5%	92.1%
UCL	95.4%	92.9%
Newcastle	96.2%	95.8%
Leeds	98.3%	96.7%
Birmingham	95.9%	96%
Warwick	95.7%	97.7%
Nottingham	98%	95.7%

Please note that school ends at 2:15 On Wednesday. Pupils will have a Christmas lunch on this day! The new term will begin on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> January. We look forward to seeing you all again in the new year!

**Have a great break.**

Ms Kumar,

Head of Juniors.