

URSULA TAYLOR VC LOWER SCHOOL

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Ofsted Inspection and Snow

I would like to express my thanks to all parents and carers for the support given to us during the recent weather and Ofsted inspection. It is never easy making a decision regarding whether to close the school or not and I appreciate that there was some delay in the closure being publicised on some websites. With regard to our own website this is currently managed by an external provider which means that there is a delay, especially in the early hours of the morning, in new information being uploaded.

The Ofsted inspectors were satisfied that they had sufficient evidence and information from the one day of their visit to enable them to make their judgements. We were also satisfied and therefore we agreed that there need be no further visit. The final report will be available for parents shortly after half term, We shall be having a second inspection later in the term as part of the Statutory Inspection of Church Schools.

School Values and Collective Worship

Following our introduction of Values Education last term the value we shall be promoting is that of 'forgiveness'. We shall also be reinforcing the value of 'forgiveness' from a Christian perspective during our Monday and Friday Collective Worship. As part of the school's Christian heritage the children will continue to learn about the Lord's Prayer and gaining an understanding of the words.

Years 3 and 4 Roman Day

Just to remind you that Years 3 and 4 will be out on their Roman trip on Monday, 23rd February, the day we return from half term.

Cheerleading & Gymnastics

As the cheerleading & gymnastics session were cancelled last week there will be a voucher for each child from Premier Sport to go towards the next half term's sessions. The cheerleading display will not take place this week because of the missed session. For next half term's cheerleading sessions priority will be given to those who have been participating this half term. A ballot will be held if there are too many children wanting to join the group. There should be enough room for all children wishing to join the gymnastics club.

Year 4 Drama at Lincroft – please see attached letter

