

25th November 2021

Primary Week Ending 25th November 2021

Dear Community,

What an amazing couple of weeks!

Our children had a fantastic, fun and memorable sports week. It was great to see all the children having a brilliant time competing in the sprint, javelin throw, high jump and obstacle races. Thank you children for your co-operation and sportsmanship during the day. Many thanks to all the staff, student leaders and Friends of Metropole who assisted.

Antibullying - One Kind Word

We have been working hard this week to ensure that 'Change starts with us!' As our children shared their tips about how they can change and make sure that Metropole is a bullying free zone! Students shared their tips with each other on how to be kind, wrote messages with "One Kind Word" and even created an Anti-bullying video click [here](#) to watch.



Academic Achievement – GEMS interschool Literary Primary Competition






This week four students took part in a GEMS Interschool Literary Primary competition and won Overall Winner Year 5 and 6 Spelling Bee. The competition gave students the opportunity to showcase their exceptional talents in English spelling. As we continue to develop student engagement at Metropole, raising the profile of gifted and talented students is an area we are embracing this year. The students performed exceptionally well and dedicated an immense

amount of time practicing and rehearsing the statutory spellings for their year group based on the National curriculum. This is one of many and there will be more opportunities this academic year for students to showcase their talents. We will be hosting our own in-house Spelling Bee in April - watch this space!

Parent Survey

As per previous correspondence, the GEMS Parent Survey was emailed to you via Mr Naveed Iqbal on Monday 22nd November. Currently only 20% of the school have completed the survey. We would be extremely grateful if you could take the time to complete the survey. We look at all of the comments you write and will act on the feedback we are given.

As always a member of the senior leadership team will be calling parents who are unhappy. The survey scoring system works as follows:

	Detractor: score of 0-6. This means you are unhappy
	Passive: score of 7-8. This means you are satisfied
	Promotor: score of 9-10. This means you are happy

Masterclass

Masterclass Term 2 – Years 2-6

Masterclass has been a great success this term, students have thoroughly enjoyed taking part in a wide variety of activities. Following this success, we will be having a sign up for term 2 masterclass on GEMS Connect. This will allow you to support your child to choose an appropriate enrichment activity which they will carry out on a Wednesday afternoon. We are also excited to be offering four external, paid masterclasses for students in years 3-6: golf, scuba diving, horse riding and acrobatic diving. Further information will be coming out shortly with all the details of these classes so look out for it on GEMS Connect.

Upcoming Key Dates

27.11.21	Farmers Market 10am – 2pm
29.11.21	National day Celebration
30.11.21	Martyrs Day
05.12.21 – 8.12.21	Winter performances
05.12.21	Christmas Songs by candle light 6.30pm – 7.30 pm (school astro)
9.12.21	Christmas Jumper Day School Finishes @ 12:30pm

I look forward to seeing many of you during the Farmers Market this Saturday.

Kind Regards,



Tara Foster

