# St Thomas' Church of England Junior and Infant School

## Newsletter—27th January 2023

Our Value for January is Peace.

#### **Chinese New Year 2023**

Communities around the world have begun the Chinese New Year celebrations. The event started on Sunday January 22nd and ends on February 5th. During the festival many activities take place including family meals, the giving of gifts, parades and also a lantern festival.

Chinese New Year always takes place on the first day of the Chinese lunar calendar and this starts the day following the first new moon between January 21 and February 20.

Each sign of the Zodiac is named after an animal. There are 12 in total. 2023 is the year of the Rabbit.



### Dates for the term.

1st February—School closed due to strike action.

6th February—Mental Health Week.

16th February—Valentines discos

17th February—School closes for half term.

27th February—School opens.

2nd March—World Book Day

9th March, 9.15am—Year 1 class assembly.

17th March—Red Nose Day

27th March—Parents' Evening

28th March—Parents' Evening.

More dates will be given as the term progresses.

#### **The Great Fire Of London**

Part of the topic for the children in Years 1 and 2 this term is looking at The Great Fire Of London. The children have been looking at the types of houses people lived in and how and why the fire started. Part of their work is making models of the houses.





#### **Attendance**

Reception-95%

**Year 1-91%** 

Year 2-93%

Year 3-92%

Year 4-94%

**Year 5-93%** 

Year 6-93%