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Dear Parents & Governors,

You will remember that last spring we held our Olympic Learning Adventure; today we have launched our theme for 2017 and would love for you to be a part of the journey! Do come and visit to see the outcomes of our **"I Love London"** Learning Adventure later this term.

During the fortnight beginning Monday 20th February, all classes will be involved in our Learning Adventure. Each class chooses an aspect of **"I Love London"** and prepares to teach other pupils and visitors about their learning in a fun, memorable and inspiring way.



During the learning adventure fortnight, pupils will be developing personal skills such as **resilience, independence, collaboration & evaluation**. Each child will have their own personal learning target which they will be able to share with you.

We would love you to be part of our Olympic Learning Adventure, you will be able to join with your own child/children and/or visit as many classes as you like. We will write to you again closer to the events with further details.

To launch the Learning Adventure, we were visited by a Town Crier who interrupted our assembly earlier today to issue the following proclamation...

Many people say that children know lots about other countries, cities, cultures, religions and languages but that they don't know enough about the capital city that they live in – the great City of London! Here is your chance to prove them wrong and show them that Oliver Goldsmith is full of experts on our home town of London!

This year's Learning Adventure is therefore named "I Love London".

Your challenge starts today! You will have lots of time to learn as much as you can about our capital city before showing off your skills and knowledge to other children, to teachers, the governors, your parents and some other very important invited guests.

This year we want to inspire you to become leaders of learning! London has a proud history of being connected with many people who went on to become great leaders all over the world. We want you to become leaders of learning; leaders in your groups and leaders in your classrooms.



Your classroom will need to be transformed into an inviting and exciting learning zone; with each class trying to make theirs the very best in the school. You will plan some creative practical activities for your guest visitors that will teach them all about what you have learned about London!

This year, there is a special prize for the best learning zone as chosen by pupils, staff, visitors and parents. The winning class will win a day out to London in the summer term to explore our capital city! Good luck with your challenge!

Our special visitor spoke to all the children in assembly and then visited each class to deliver their challenge letter, tell the children a little more about what it is like to be a Town Crier and answer their questions.



The class zones for 2017 will have the following themes...

Class	Theme	Class	
Nursery	London Transport	3P	The London Tourist Board
Reception	London Restaurants and Different Cuisines	4B	London Parks & Wildlife
1B	London Landmarks	4J	The River Thames
1W	London Landmarks	5A	London Myths & Legends
2AY	The Great Fire of London	5C	Sherlock Holmes
2D	The Great Fire of London	6A	London Writers
3L	The London Tourist Board	6S	London Writers

If you think you can help us in any way with our Learning Adventure, if you have links, are an expert in any of the classes chosen topics above about London or can offer any other support, please do get in contact with us – we would really appreciate your support.

Last year, the children and staff responded brilliantly to their challenge and visitors, parents and guests were very impressed with the standard of our children's work and their skills in teaching others about what they have discovered.

We look forward to another fantastic Learning Adventure this year building on last year's success!

Yours sincerely,
Mr James Simmons
Headteacher