

# The Stepney Star

Stepney  Primary School



*Small School With Great Expectations*

Weekly Newsletter  
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## Reading At Home

One of the best ways to help children improve with many aspects of their education is to hear them read every day, even if it is for ten minutes. It improves reading, writing and speaking skills and is also a wonderful opportunity for



parents and children to share quality time together. To encourage our pupils to read we are having a weekly competition to see which class has the highest number of pupils who read three or more times a week. Every week the winning class in Key Stage 1 and in Key Stage 2 will have access to 'reading treasure chests' which are brimming with exciting activities. Please encourage your child to read at home.

## New Parent-Governor

We are delighted to announce that Mr Paul Shepherdson has been appointed as a new parent governor. On behalf of everyone at Stepney Primary School we wish to welcome Paul to our team.

We still have another vacant parent-governor post and a separate letter will be coming out to you shortly about this.

## Secondary School Preference Forms.

Just a reminder to year 6 parents to complete secondary school preference forms either on line or in the paper version.

## Year 3/4 Assembly

Miss Bonnington's class started off this year's round of class assemblies with a flourish. We were treated to a wonderful 'Wizard' performance in which the children read out stories and dazzled us with their maths skills. A big thank you to all concerned for a superb assembly.

Next Week it is the turn of Mr Cameron's Year 1 children. May I remind you that parents and carers are welcome to join us. It gives a tremendous boost to the children and there's equal pride shared between children and parents.

## Morning Starts

Our Key Stage 1 – infant classes are always a buzz with eager children and their parents in the mornings. We are pleased that so many of you enjoy coming into the classroom in the mornings. In some classes it is getting a little crowded first thing, especially as we have a short teaching session before registration. Please feel free to come in, make sure your child is settled and happy and even share a little of their work with them but please be aware that the morning session needs to start promptly at 8.55am..

## Breakfast Club

All our pupils are invited to our **free** Breakfast Club in a morning. The Club opens each school morning at 8am, and children are offered a selection of toast, cereal and apple or orange juice.

## Lunchtime Supervisor

We still have a vacancy for a lunchtime supervisor. This would be for five hours a week to assist in the supervision of children during the lunch hour. The team of supervisors is lead by a senior supervisor, Mrs D. Holmes. The successful candidate will be subject to a CRB check. (Every member of Stepney Staff has to have this check). If you wish to be considered for this, please enquire at the school office. The deadline will be Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September.

## Dates for your diary: School Year 2008-9

(All dates are inclusive)

First Autumn half term:

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sept - 24<sup>th</sup> Oct 2008**

Second Autumn half term:

**3<sup>rd</sup> Nov – 19<sup>th</sup> Dec 2008**

First Spring half term:

**6<sup>th</sup> Jan – 13<sup>th</sup> Feb 2009**

Second Spring half term:

**23<sup>rd</sup> Feb– 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2009**

First Summer half term:

**21<sup>st</sup> April – 21<sup>st</sup> May 2009**

We are on holiday on **4<sup>th</sup> May** for May Day.

Second Summer half term:

**1<sup>st</sup> June – 17<sup>th</sup> July 2009**

## Thursday Class Assemblies

25/09/08 Year 1

02/10/08 Year 2

09/10/08 Harvest Festival

16/10/08 Year 3

13/11/08 Foundation Stage

20/11/08 Year 5

27/11/08 Year 6

## Christmas Concerts

15/12/08 Foundation Stage

16/12/08 Years 1 and 2

17/12/08 Years 3 and 4

18/12/08 Years 5 and 6

## What The children need

**Foundation Stage** Show and tell, please bring a photo of you as a baby

**Year 1/2**

**Year 2**

**Year 3** P.E kits Monday & Tuesday, home reading, practise tables & spellings

**Year 4** P.E kits Monday & Thursday, home reading and homework

**Year 5** Practise tables and spellings

**Year 6**, History is continuing so lots of research on your chosen subject. P.E Kits, home reading and homework

## **EVENTS FOR THE WEEK AND MENU**

### Monday

<b>Lunch</b>	Clarinet Club	Clarinetists	Miss Bonnington
<b>Lunch</b>	Steel Drums		Mr Browning & Mr Morffit
<b>Lunch</b>	Horse & Pony Club	K/S 2	Miss Northern
<b>3.15-4.15</b>	Basketball	Y3 to Y6	Miss Richardson

**Today's Healthy Eating Menu** Spaghetti Bolognese, New potatoes, sweet corn/peas **Veg option** Omelettes, sweet corn/peas, Dessert Apricot Cookie or Yoghurt

### Tuesday

<b>3.15-4.15</b>	Multi Skills	K/S 1	Miss Richardson
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**Today's Healthy Eating Menu**, Roast Chicken, Roast potatoes, Cabbage/Cauliflower. **Veg option** Spaghetti Napolitano, **Dessert** Chocolate fruit crispy or Yoghurt

### Wednesday

<b>Lunch</b>	ICT computers	Y3 to Y6	Mrs Mcilwaine & Mr Cameron
<b>3.15-4.15</b>	Stickin & Stuff	Y4 to Y6	Miss Smith & Mrs Crichton
<b>3.15-4.15</b>	Rugby Club	Y3 to Y6	Miss Richardson

**Today's Healthy Eating Menu**, Cheese & Tomato Pizza, New Potatoes, Sweet corn & Broccoli **Veg option:** Cod & Salmon fishcakes, **Dessert:** Ice Cream with fruit puree or Yoghurt

### Thursday

<b>Lunch</b>	Steel Drums		Mr Browning & Mr Morffit
<b>Lunch</b>	Recorder Club	K/S 2	Miss Bonnington
<b>3.15-5pm</b>	Crafty Kids	Years 2 & 3	Miss Atkinson & Miss Baitson
<b>3.15- 4.15</b>	Fantastic Food	All Years	Mrs Heidstra & Mrs Bielby
<b>3.15 – 4.15</b>	Language Lab	<b>Cancelled</b>	<b>For 1 week only</b>
<b>3.15-415</b>	Drama Club	<b>Cancelled</b>	<b>For 1 week only</b>
<b>3.15-4.15</b>	Endeavour Club	Years 3 to Y6	Mrs Brocklebank& Miss Richardson

**Today's Healthy Eating Menu**, Homemade Beef Burger in a bun, Potato Wedges, Baked Beans **Veg.option:** Cheese & Tomato Quiche **Dessert** Fruit Flapjack and Custard or Yoghurt

### Friday

<b>Lunch</b>	<b>Reading Club</b>	<b>Mrs Woodhead</b>
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**Today's Healthy Eating Menu:** Breaded Haddock, Chips, peas/baked beans. **Veg Option:** Vegetable Lasagne  
**Dessert:** Cheesecake & Yoghurt