

# The Stepney Star

Stepney Primary School



*A Small School With Great Expectations*

Weekly Newsletter  
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## **WANTED!**

We are starting to prepare for the Christmas Fayre. We are asking parents/ carers for donations of unwanted presents, gifts, bottles (of any kind), chocolate, smellies etc. All these will be sold at our fayre with proceeds going to the School Fund, which in turn helps to finance activities for the children within school.

## **FRIENDSHIP WEEK**

During the week beginning on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November, it is national 'Anti-bullying week'. We prefer to call it 'Friendship Week' instead and the children spend the week concentrating on improving and strengthening friendships within our school community. We need each of our pupils to bring in a white T-shirt to decorate (the bigger the better!). These will then be sent to third world countries and be used as operating gowns (as part of the Blue Peter 'Operation Smile' Appeal). On the Friday of that week (20<sup>th</sup> November) pupils can also come in pyjamas with donations of £1 being given to BBC Children in Need. All pupils doing this will receive a bun as our way of saying thank you.

## **MEDIA MADNESS!**

We started the half term with lots of media interest this week. As you may be aware we have been having trouble from gangs of youths on our school playing field. We are very grateful for all the support parents and carers have shown in notifying the police when they have spotted trouble brewing. Our year six children felt so aggrieved by the behaviour of these gangs that they wrote to

local city officials, the police and regional media networks to complain. On Monday we had a reporter from KCFM in to interview the children, then on Tuesday we had BBC Radio Humberside (who then broadcast the report during the day), the Hull Daily Mail and, finally, a television crew from ITV's Calendar News programme, which went out at 6pm. Well done to all those who took part - you did a fantastic job.

## **E-safety**

We also had our e-safety badges arrive this week. Before half term all the children had designed badges promoting e-safety in school using our very own 'Be-safe' logo. We turned the winning design by Emily, from year six, into a professionally produced badge that has been given out to every pupil in the school. They look fantastic and convey an important message i.e. When children are using the internet they need to be using safe sites and not emailing to people they don't know.



## **PASS IT ON & RECIPE BOOK**

This is a report from Zak in Miss Northen's class. "On Wednesday I went to Bricknell School to the 'pass it on' afternoon. There was me, Ellie, Josh, Jak, Milli, Luke and Jessica. We had a great

time. We cooked Mexican mince with tortillas, it was nice. Mr Browning and Mrs Heidstra had some too. A man from the Hull Daily Mail took our photos."

This was part of a double event. We also launched our new recipe book, which will be given to children who attend our cookery club at school (see our website and 'special events' tab for a copy of this.

## **Late Marks**

If your child arrives after 9 o'clock they need to go to the office, rather than straight to the classroom.

## **Class Assemblies**

Our class assemblies have now started. These are held on Thursdays at 10.15am in the school hall.  
12<sup>th</sup> November – Year 1  
19<sup>th</sup> November – Year 2/3B  
26<sup>th</sup> November – Year 4  
3<sup>rd</sup> December – Year 6

## **HALF TERM HOLIDAY**

Just to remind you that next week (Monday 26<sup>th</sup> to Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October) is half term holiday. Children need to return to school as normal on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November

## **Dates for your diary:**

### **School Year 2009-10**

(all dates are inclusive)

#### **1<sup>st</sup> Autumn Half Term**

Tues 8<sup>th</sup> Sept – Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> Oct

#### **Half Term Holiday**

Mon 26<sup>th</sup> Oct – Fri 30<sup>th</sup> Oct

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> Autumn Half Term**

Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov – Fri 18<sup>th</sup> Dec

### **What the children need next week**

**Foundation Stage** PE kits every Friday.

**Year 1** PE Kits Monday. No bookworm on Tuesday. This week is **Spooky Tuesday**, can children bring Halloween costumes and things.

**Year 2/3A** PE Kits Monday & Thursday

**Year 2/3B** PE Kits Tuesday & Wednesday

**Year 4/5B** PE Kits Wednesday & Friday please

**Year 4/5N** PE kits and trainers/sandshoes for PE on Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday

**Year 6** PE Kits Tuesdays.

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

#### **Monday**

**Martial Arts (school hall) Years 4, 5 & 6 at 3.15-4.15pm**

**Art Club – Year 2 and 3 (Creative Room) at 12.30pm**

**Horse and Pony Club Years 2, 3, 4 & 5 (Year 5 room) at 12.30pm**

**Today's Healthy Eating Menu** Grilled Sausages, potatoes wedges, mixed vegetables, **Dessert** Ice cream with Peaches. **Vegetarian Option.** Vegetarian Sausages.

#### **Tuesday**

**Football Club, Years 1, 2/3A & 2/3B at 3.15-4.15pm**

**Today's Healthy Eating Menu** Roast chicken, roast potatoes, peas & carrots. **Dessert** Apple Muffin. **Vegetarian option** Stir Fried vegetables with noodles.

#### **Wednesday**

**Enterprise Club (Year 6 room) at 12.30 pm**

**Needlecraft 3.15-4.15pm**

**Today's Healthy Eating Menu** Spaghetti Bolognese, mixed salads. **Dessert** Chocolate Crackle. **Vegetarian option** Sweet Potato & Lentil korma.

#### **Thursday**

**ICT club (ICT suite) at 12.30pm**

**Stepney Steel Drum Band (small year 6 room) at 12.30pm**

**Martial Arts (school hall) Years 4, 5 & 6 at 3.15-4.15pm**

**Cookery Club (staffroom) at 3.15-4.15pm**

**Today's Healthy Eating Menu** Roast Beef, boiled potatoes, cauliflower, broccoli. **Dessert** Ginger Bread **Vegetarian option** Cheese & Tomato Arrabiatti Penne.

#### **Friday**

**Today's Healthy Eating Menu:** Breaded Fish, Chips & Peas. **Dessert** Fruit & Jelly. **Vegetarian option** Mixed Vegetables with Cous Cous.

Always available Flavoured Bread, Yoghurt or Fresh fruit, fruit Juice, milk or water.