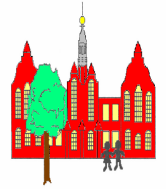


# The Stepney Star

Stepney Primary School



A Small School With Great Expectations

Weekly Newsletter  
Week: 23<sup>rd</sup>—27<sup>th</sup> November  
2009

## EVERYONE'S A FRIEND!

We have had a wonderful week celebrating Friendship. One of the highlights of this has been the success of our Open Afternoons. Every class has had an afternoon devoted to designing and decorating T-shirts. These will now be sent to third world countries and be used as operating gowns (as part of the Blue Peter 'Operation Smile' Appeal).



On Friday we had one of our favourite days of the year. Staff and pupils came to school in pyjamas with donations of £1 being given to BBC Children in Need.

## CHRISTMAS SECRET SHOP

On Wednesday 9th December, Mr Morfitt and helpers will be running our ever popular Secret Shop. All pupils may bring money to spend on Christmas gifts for their parents. It's a fun event that the children love so please ensure they bring cash to school on that day.

## SCHOOL CHRISTMAS DINNER

This year we will be having our Christmas meal on Wednesday 9th December.

## CHRISTMAS FAYRE PRODUCE WANTED!

On 2nd December we are having our Christmas Fayre. We are already preparing for this. Please will you send 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.

## YEAR 6 APPEAR IN COURT!

On Thursday year 6 went on a visit to the courts and a museum as part of their 'Sense of History' theme, in which they are studying the Victorian era. Here is a recount from Harry in year 6:

"Yesterday we went to the Guildhall and took part in a trial. We learnt what the words 'witnesses', 'judge' and 'jury' mean. I enjoyed taking part in the Victorian Trial. We all got the opportunity to investigate historical artefacts and give evidence in the trial. We particularly enjoyed visiting the prison cells!



Also, after that, we went to the 'Hands on History museum'. We had a look at some Victorian toys and were given the opportunity to make our own 'thaumatrope'. My favourite toy was the 'Jacobs Ladder'.

## POSTMAN TILLEY VISITS FOUNDATION

Anyone visiting the Foundation Stage will see that the home corners are some of the more used areas in the unit. They are always changing: one week you might see a cave, or a shop, or a police station. This week they have been role playing postmen and thinking about what the job en-

tails. The children were delighted to welcome a real—live postman. James Tilley spoke to them about his job. He brought in his bag, showed them his uniform and his wet-weather clothing. He even had a little 'stuffed' cat called Jess!



## SEEING THE LIGHT!

Many thanks to Mr Foston, who has been helping an electrician start to install new 'daylight' effect lights. Beginning in the Foundation Stage and Year 1 we are replacing the old fluorescent tubes with these new ones which give far superior lighting for all concerned.

## Class Assemblies

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

## Late Marks

If your child arrives after 9 o'clock they must report to the office and report they are at school, **before** going to the classroom. Failure to do so may result in a telephone call or text from the school asking why your child is not at school.

## PICKING UP CHILDREN

On Thursday night there were 15 children who weren't picked up until 3.30 and 3.40 i.e. 15 minutes after the end of school. PLEASE ENSURE you pick up children on time.

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

**Foundation Stage** PE kits every Friday.

**Year 1** PE Kits Monday. Bookworm Tuesday 2.45pm.

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

**Year 2/3B** PE Kits Tuesday & Wednesday Return consent forms for visit..

**Year 4/5B** PE Kits Wednesday & Friday, swimming kit & Reading Book

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

**Year 6** PE Kits Tuesday.

### **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** Savoury Mince Beef with Vegetables and boiled potato, broccoli and cauliflower.

**Dessert** Chocolate sponge and pink sauce. **Vegetarian option** Spaghetti Napolatine

#### **Tuesday**

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

**Today's Healthy Eating Menu** Roast beef, roast potatoes, Savoy cabbage. **Dessert** Lincolnshire Dessert cake and custard. **Vegetarian option**, Vegetable Pie.

#### **Wednesday**

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

**Needlecraft 3.15-4.15pm**

**Today's Healthy Eating Menu** Chicken Curry, boiled rice, carrots and peas. **Dessert** Apricot shortcake & custard  
**Vegetarian options.** Macaroni Bake.

#### **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** Homemade Burger in a Bun, potato wedges, baked beans & sweetcorn. **Dessert** Semolina & Fruit puree. **Vegetarian option** Oriental vegetables with noodles.

#### **Friday**

**Today's Healthy Eating Menu:** Fish Fingers (2) Chips & Peas. **Dessert** Oaty Biscuit. **Vegetarian option**, Vegetable Casserole

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