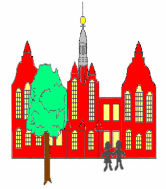


The Stepney Star

Stepney Primary School



A Small School With Great Expectations

Weekly Newsletter
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Parent's Day

Many thanks for the great turnout for the parent's day consultations. If you have missed an appointment, then please contact us to arrange an alternative time.

Halloween Disco

On Thursday, 21st October, we are holding our annual Halloween disco. We will be charging £1 to get in, which will also entitle children to a drink and a hot dog. It will start at 3.30pm and finish at 5pm, although we ask for Reception children to be picked up at 4pm. Unfortunately, it's not open to Nursery children. Please will you ensure that you are at the school promptly at 5pm to pick your children up.

Brilliant Assembly

It was that wow factor time again on Thursday. Year 6 showed us what fantastic actors they are. Recreating scenes from Romeo & Juliet and MacBeth, they gave us an insight into the literacy work they have been studying this term. They explained about the water cycle in a unique way and told us about their Geography topic on rivers. Well done to everyone who took part—brilliant!

Harvest Festival Distribution

Mrs Rodgers and Mr Morfitt accompanied some of our pupils in distributing our harvest festival donations to local residents, who live in the warden controlled bungalows, behind the school. As always, they were very appreciative of the children's efforts. Once again, many thanks for all the donations.

International Pupil Council

Mr Browning took Ronaldo and Mimi from year 5 to the inaugural meeting of a new group. We already have children in our school council who go out to

Wyke Area Pupil Council and Hull Youth Parliament meetings. On Tuesday, we started the International Pupil Council or IPC. Following discussions with Francis Mason, who is one of the Sierra Leonian heads, they have decided to form an IPC in both cities. The pupils will contact each other and tackle issues facing both areas. The IPC is linking in with the Waste Management Strategy team of Hull City Council. At the moment, their task is to help Freetown with their waste problem. As Mr Browning found out, when he visited in March, there is rubbish everywhere. There are no wheelie bins, or dustbin lorries services of any consequence out there. At the meeting twenty pupils met at Winifred Holtby School. They represented ten schools that are involved in the global partnership scheme with Sierra Leone. All the pupils contributed to the discussions. We were also joined by Liz Smith, from the city council. Liz told the children about her work in developing a waste strategy for Freetown. The pupils will be writing letters to send out to their fellow IPC pupils in Freetown. They are having their first meeting on 29th October 2010. Mr Browning has sent the minutes from our meeting to them.

An Excellent Early Bird's Week & Attendance figures!

All last week, Mrs Purkins and our Educational Welfare Officer, were lurking in the playground every morning. This is because they were giving out cards and stickers for Early Bird Week. The results were as follow for those who managed to get a full card:
Reception: 7 full cards
Class 1: 15 full cards
Class 2/3A: 21 full cards
Class 2/3B: 16 full cards

Class 4/5A: 15 full cards
Class 4/5B: 21 full cards
Class 5/6: 25 full cards
Special congratulations go to class 5/6, who won the virtual cheque!
Mrs Purkins asked Mr Browning to present Tegan, Milana and Courtney with special 'star' badges for helping out with Early Bird's Week!

Also, our attendance figures have been the best for a long while:

Reception: 93.1%

Class 1: 92%

Class 2/3A: 97.2%*

Class 2/3B: 99.3%*

Class 4/5A: 98.5%*

Class 4/5B: 98.1%*

Class 5/6: 97.1%*

*These classes received a virtual cheque for achieving over 97%.

The overall attendance for this school year is now 95.9%, with class 5/6 in the lead and class 4/5B close on their tails!

Council Posters

The pupil council have been organising a little competition for posters to go up in different parts of the school, reminding people about how to act properly when in that area.

The winners were:

Paige (Class 2/3B) for the 2/3 shared area;

Emma (Class 6) for the quiet area outside;

Jessica (Class 2/3A) for the library;

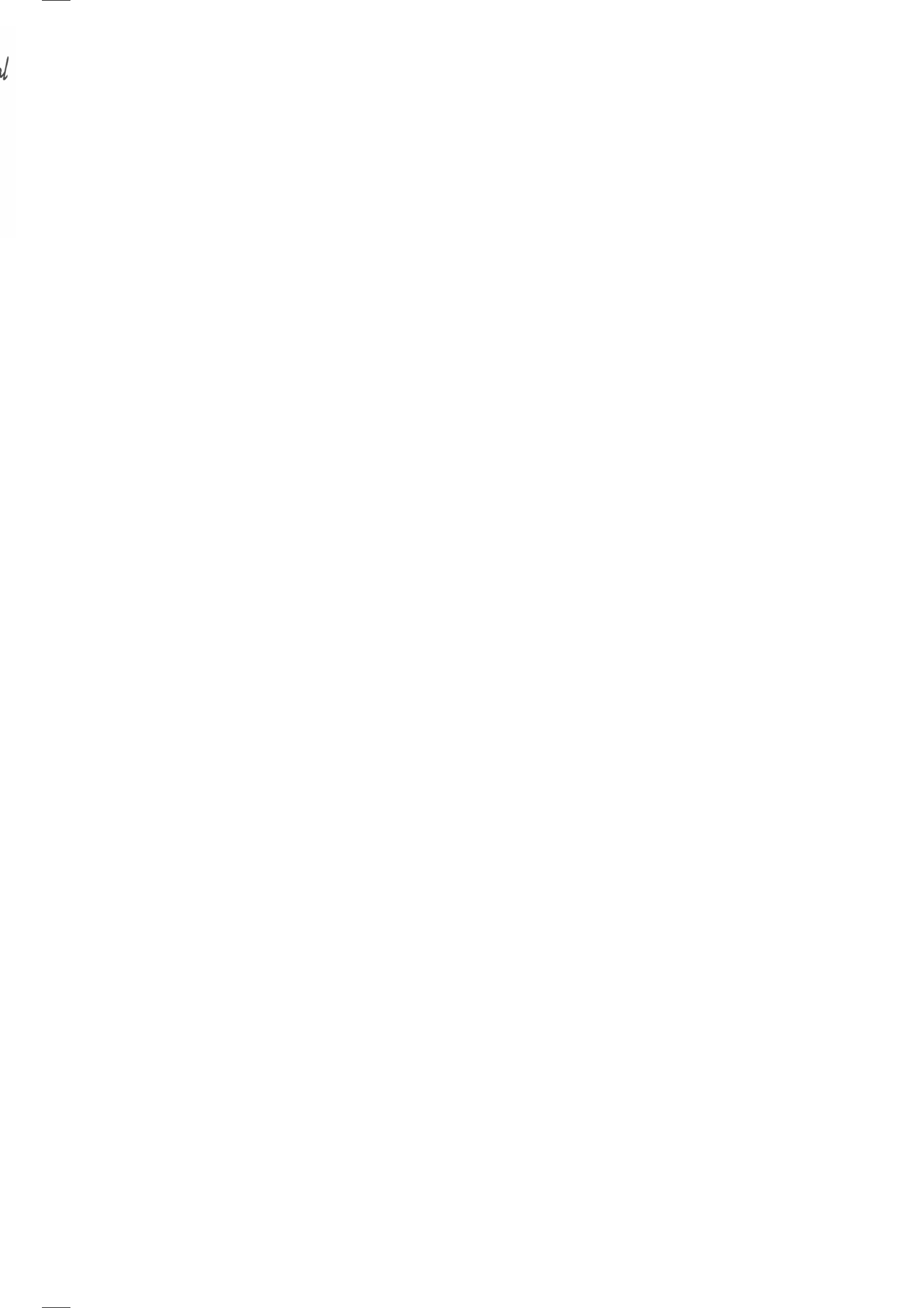
Cameron (Class 1) for the toilets;

Zak (Class 4/5B) for putting rubbish in the bins;

Lilli (Class 4/5B) for picking up coats.

Key Dates to remember:

Please note: CHRISTMAS DINNER is on Tuesday 14th December.



What the children need next week

Foundation Stage PE kits Friday.

Year 1 Bookworm on Friday morning. 8.55 –9.20. PE Kits Mondays.

Year 2/3A PE Kits Monday & Wednesday

Year 2/3B PE Kits Wednesday

Year 4/5A PE kits Thursday & Friday

Year 4/5B PE kits Wed & Thursday.

Year 5/ 6 PE kits Tuesday.

MENU 2

Monday

12.30pm **Study Club** Mrs Brocklebank & Mrs Wilde
3.15pm - 4.15pm **Football** Club Mr Burton years 4,5,& 6
3.15pm-4.15pm **Board Games** Miss Atkinson & Miss Baitson years 2 & 3

Today's Menu: Roast Pork loin, gravy, boiled potatoes, peas & carrots. **Vegetarian option:** Leek & Pasta bake. **Dessert** Ice cream & Fruit puree.

Tuesday

Today's Menu: Southern style chicken, potato wedges, baked beans. **Vegetarian option:** Omelettes. **Dessert:** Banana bread muffin.

Wednesday

12.30pm **Reading Buddies** Mrs McIlwaine & Miss Northen
12.30pm **Board Games 2** Ms Saint years 4,5 & 6
3.15pm—4.15pm Cookery Club Miss Pullen & Mrs Heidstra

Today's Menu: Spaghetti Bolognese, sweetcorn & broccoli. **Vegetarian option:** Cheese & tomato Pizza **Dessert:** Jam & cream scone.

Thursday

12.30pm **Steel Drums** Mr Browning - Year 6
12.30pm **Study Club** Mrs Brocklebank & Mrs Wilde

Today's Menu: Meat & potato pie, roast potatoes, mixed vegetables **Vegetarian option:** Mediterranean Quiche **Dessert:** Orange & Cinnamon muffin

Friday

Today's Menu: Fish Fingers, chips & peas. **Vegetarian option** Mixed vegetables & cous cous. **Dessert:** Fruit & Jelly.

