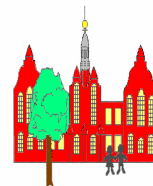


The Stepney Star

Stepney Primary School



A Small School With Great Expectations

Weekly Newsletter
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“I Don’t Think You Can Improve Perfection” A Stepney Parent

Another WOW day! On Thursday morning, our Foundation Stage and year 1 children played host to parents and carers in another of our Exhibitions. Yet again, we had a brilliant turnout with 22 parents in year 1 and 18 in the Foundation Stage. While Mrs Hudson and Miss Pullen were showing photos and work from their farming topic and Honeysuckle Farm visit, Mr Cameron’s children were demonstrating their gymnastics balancing skills in the hall. Our year 1 pupils then showed their planting, sewing, maths, reading and atlas work in their classrooms. They even made a model chimp out of clay! There was a real buzz around the area.

Here are some of the comments from parents and carers:

We asked what you enjoyed about it?

“Really enjoyed the games today. We liked it. Thank you”

“We really enjoyed helping our children to improve their handiwork”

“Everything. It was nice to see all the kids enjoying everything that was going on. Really good”

We asked how could we improve our exhibitions?

“Nothing. Kids enjoyed it and had freedom to do lots of things”

“I think it is perfect the way it is”

“You couldn’t but if more parents came, more children would benefit”

“Everything was fine”

“I don’t think you can improve

perfection”

Amazing Arts Afternoons in Phase 2/3

Both Phase 2/3 classrooms and their creative area were packed with parents and pupils on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons this week. Everyone was busy making some wonderful versions of Joseph’s Coat of Many Colours. Feathers, sequins, glitter and colourful fabrics were everywhere. We had eighteen parents join us on Tuesday and twelve on Thursday. It was a brilliant turnout and everybody seemed to have a wonderfully enjoyable time. We’re really pleased with the responses we are getting from parents with these interactive afternoons.

Foundation Stage Visit Honeysuckle

It was the turn of some of our youngest children to visit Honeysuckle farm this week. Children enjoyed seeing the cows being milked; they fed the animals; went on a cart ride with Tommie the Shire Horse; stroked the sheep and played on the hay bales. Overall, we had two great visits, and the sun came out on the second day!

Benchball at Endeavour

This week, Miss Northen took her class to Endeavour School for a bench ball tournament. We played against Pearson Primary school. Children from each school were divided into three teams who played in a ‘round robin’ tournament. The top two teams played in a final and we won! Congratulations to all those who took part.

Alterations to Winifred Holtby Trip

Mrs Phelps-Jones’ class trip to Winifred Holtby school on Thursday has had to be postponed until next week. There has been an Ofsted Inspection at the secondary school on Wednesday and Thursday. Instead, the year 5 children from both Miss Northen’s and Mrs Phelps-Jones’ classes will go on Monday and the year 4 children on Tuesday.

Outdoor footwear for PE

Mr Burton would like to remind parents that pupils will now need to have outdoor trainers for PE.

Easter Activities

Next Friday (15th April) is the last day of the Spring Term, before the Easter holidays. On this day we will be having some Easter Activities.

There will be an **EASTER BONNET** competition for all children. If you are interested, then please take some time to make an Easter bonnet for your child at home, so they can bring it on Friday. Also, please ask children to bring in **DECORATED EGGS** (Please ensure you use hard boiled hens eggs for this!). We will then have an Egg rolling competition at school. There will be prizes for bonnets and the eggs that travel the farthest!

Easter Holidays

School closes at 3.15pm on Friday 15th April for the Easter holiday and we will reopen on Wednesday 4th May.

Visit our website for more on these items



What the children need next week

Foundation Stage PE kits Monday and 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 1

Monday

12.30pm **Study Club** Mrs Brocklebank

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: Braised Sausages & onion gravy, potato wedges, sweet corn, & baked beans. **Vegetarian option:** Vegetarian sausages. **Dessert:** Apricot Flapjack & custard

Tuesday

3.15-4.15 **Gymnastic Club** Outside coach
(This club is now full for this term)

Today's Menu: Roast Turkey & gravy, roast potato, peas, & carrots. **Vegetarian option:** Vegetable pasty. **Dessert:** Carrot cake muffin.

Wednesday

12.30pm **Reading Buddies** Mrs Mcllwaine & Miss Northen

12.30pm **Board Games 2** Ms Saint years 4,5 & 6

3.15pm—4.15pm **Cookery Club** CANCELLED UNTIL THE START OF NEW TERM.

3.15pm-4.15pm **Basketball Club** Miss Richardson years 3,4,5 & 6

Today's Menu: Homemade Beef Burger with onion gravy, boiled potatoes, broccoli & cauliflower. **Vegetarian option:** Homemade Margarita Pizza. **Dessert:** Rice pudding with peaches.

Thursday

12.30pm **Steel Drums** Mr Browning - Year 6

12.30pm **Study Club** Mrs Brocklebank & Mrs Wilde

Today's Menu: Roast Chicken with gravy, mashed potato, Savoy cabbage & carrots. **Vegetarian option:** Korma Vegetable Bake. **Dessert:** Steamed Sultana Sponge & Custard.

Friday:

Today's Menu: Breaded Fish, chips, peas, carrots & baked beans. **Vegetarian option:** Mediterranean vegetable Quiche. **Dessert:** Chocolate crunch & custard.

