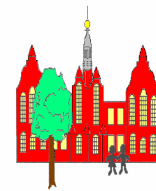


The Stepney Star

Stepney Primary School



A Small School With Great Expectations

Weekly Newsletter
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Welcome Back !

We hope you have all had a great Easter break. Even though this is a very short first half term, we have lots going on. Next week, year 6 have their SATs tests. All other year groups will be undertaking assessment activities over the course of the next few weeks, so it is essential we continue with our good attendance figures to ensure all pupils have the best opportunity to do well.

This is the Year 6 SATs timetable:

Monday 9th June

Reading Tests

Tuesday 10th June

Writing Tests

Wednesday 11th June

Mental Maths & Maths Paper A

Thursday 12th June

Maths Paper B

All pupils need to be at school and on time as we have to follow the tight national testing procedures and timetable.

Ex-Pupils Visit Stepney

Phase 4/5 had a brilliant morning, talking to some wonderful visitors. Five ex-pupils, accompanied by Mike Ulyatt (an ex-St. Vincent's pupil) were talking to the pupils about life in the Sculcoates area during the War years. One of the ladies, Joan, had been head girl in the Senior Girls School, which had been based on the first floor of our building. After walking around and remarking on all the differences that have been made to the school, they all said how impressed they were with the behaviour of our pupils and promised to come back to tell us more about life at Stepney in the 1940s!

Year 6 Transition !

This year, the secondary schools have altered their arrangements for the transition activities that they undertake with our year six pupils. There will be a whole week of transition, beginning on Monday 18th July. This means that our year sixes will finish at Stepney on Friday 15th July. We are therefore altering our year six leaving assembly and disco to Thursday 14th July

Stepney 125

Our theme for the whole of the summer is 'Stepney 125'. We are celebrating the 125 years that the school has been here. Each year group or phase is looking at a different aspect of the school's history. In addition to the bespoke thematic units of work that are being written and taught this term, we are having other events. A script writer has been commissioned to write our end of year KS2 production. Instead of 'Joseph...', 'Grease' or 'The Blues Brothers', this one will tell the Stepney Story. While this will take place later in the term, when staff and pupils have had plenty of rehearsal time, the main events will take place during the week beginning 13th June. More details will follow.

Summer Fayre

We are also going to be having our summer fayre during the Stepney 125 week celebrations. In order for this to be a success we would be grateful for donations of items for the bottle and Tombola stalls. If you are willing to donate these, please will you send them into school.

Tesco Visits

As part of their work on persuasive texts, phase 2/3 have been over in groups to Tesco Express on Friday morning. They have been noting down how advertising companies promote products through the use of persuasion. Miss Atkinson reported how brilliantly behaved all the children were. There were numerous favourable comments from other customers in the store.

Outdoor footwear for PE

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

Class Assemblies & Exhibitions

Owing to the shortness of this first half term, there will not be any class assemblies or exhibitions until after the half term holiday.

13th June—Foundation/Year 1

20th June—Years 2 & 3

27th June—Years 4 & 5

4th July—Year 6

This Year's School Dates:

(All dates are inclusive)

Summer Term

Wednesday 4th May 2011 to

Thursday 21st July 2011

Summer Half Term Holiday

School closes Thursday 26th May 2011 and reopens on Monday 6th June 2011

Sports Days

Monday 27th June—Foundation Stage

Tuesday 28th June—Yrs 4, 5 & 6

Wednesday 29th June—Yrs 1, 2 & 3

Reports to Parents

Thursday 7th July

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 2

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: Jumbo Fish fingers, Diced Potato, Baked Beans & Sweet corn.

Vegetarian option: Jacket Potato with Cheese. **Dessert:** Fruit FlapJack & Custard

Tuesday

3.15-4.15 **Gymnastic Club** Outside coach

(This club is now full for this term)

Today's Menu: Roast Beef with Gravy, Broccoli and Carrots.

Vegetarian option: Stir Fried vegetables & Noodles. **Dessert:** Ice Cream with Peaches.

Wednesday

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

12.30pm **Board Games 2** Ms Saint

3.15pm—4.15pm **Cookery Club**

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

Today's Menu: Mediterranean Chicken, New Potatoes, Peas & Sweet corn.

Vegetarian option: Cheese & Tomato Pizza. **Dessert:** Banana Muffins.

Thursday

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

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

Today's Menu: Spaghetti Bolognese, ½ Jacket Potato, Mixed Vegetables.

Vegetarian option: Homemade Curried Vegetable Pasty. **Dessert:** Chocolate Crunch & Custard.

Friday

Today's Menu: Breaded Fish, Chips & Peas.

Vegetarian option: Cheese & Tomato Arrabiatta Penne. **Dessert:** Mandarin Flan.

Always available: **Jacket Potato, Homemade Bread, Fresh Fruit, Assorted Yoghurts, Fresh Juice, Milk & Water.**