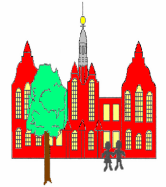


The Stepney Star

Stepney Primary School



A Small School With Great Expectations

Weekly Newsletter
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APOLOGIES—AN ERROR!

Class Assemblies & Exhibitions

On previous newsletters, the incorrect dates have been given for class exhibitions.

Please note the following corrections:

16th June—Foundation/Year 1

23rd June—Years 2 & 3

30th June—Years 4 & 5

7th July—Year 6

NEW LEARNING PLATFORM

We now have a new learning platform, which we are introducing to the pupils.

A learning platform is an online-based network for children and staff to access at school or at home. It is accessible by going to:

www.stepney.hull.dbprimary.com

The children log on using a username and password. As we gradually get all our pupils logged on at school, they will bring a slip home with these details on, so they can access it at home.

On the site they have a calendar. This shows whole school events, so they can keep a tab on what is happening. They can also add their own dates on to their calendar, which may only be accessed by themselves. They can join in blogs and send emails.

E-safety: There are excellent safety procedures built into the platform. The emails for all the children operate using a 'safemail' system. This means that they can only send or receive emails from people who we have entered into the system. It cannot access external emailing services. Furthermore, at the top left hand corner of their screen, there is a 'whistle' image. If a child

reads a blog or email, which is offensive or bullying in tone etc or causes upset, then they can click on the 'whistle' image. This immediately notifies certain members of staff who can see what the message said and who sent it. This is being explained to all pupils so they fully understand the implications of emailing hurtful or unkind messages. Any offending individuals face the prospect of having their access to the system removed.

On the platform, staff will create **virtual communities**. For instance, a teacher may set up one for his/her class. Mr Browning has already set one up for the School's pupil council so that they can add items to it. As well as letting pupils communicate with each other, teachers will also be able to give assignments and pupils can return homework and other tasks.

'DB Primary', the manufacturers of the system, have added lots of learning resources for children to use and will be updating these. We are also adding resources of our own. There is already a school photograph album containing old Stepney 125 photos that pupils can access. While the platform cannot be viewed by anyone who has not been registered by us, we will, of course, be very careful with any images of pupils that we might put on our platform.

As we get used to the learning platform, more resources will be added to it. If you have any comments or ideas for the platform, or would like to know more about it, then please contact Mr Browning.

Summer Fayre

This year, our summer fayre will be at 2pm on Wednesday 15th June. Following comments after our Christmas Fayre we will allow parents to collect their children from classrooms to take around with them on this afternoon. In the meantime, we would be grateful for items for the various stalls, such as the bottle stall, tombola and, for any keen bakers, buns and cakes. This will be part of a week of events for our Stepney 125 celebrations.

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

STEPNEY 125

13TH—17TH JUNE 2011

Monday 13th & Tuesday 14th

Stepney's Got Talent Heats & Craft
Afternoons for pupils and parents
First Stepney 125 Commemorative
Gift given to pupils!

Wednesday 15th

Summer Fayre—afternoon

Thursday 16th

EYFS and Year 1 Exhibition—

morning

Stepney 125 Disco 3.30-4.30pm

Friday 17th

Stepney's Got Talent Final—morning

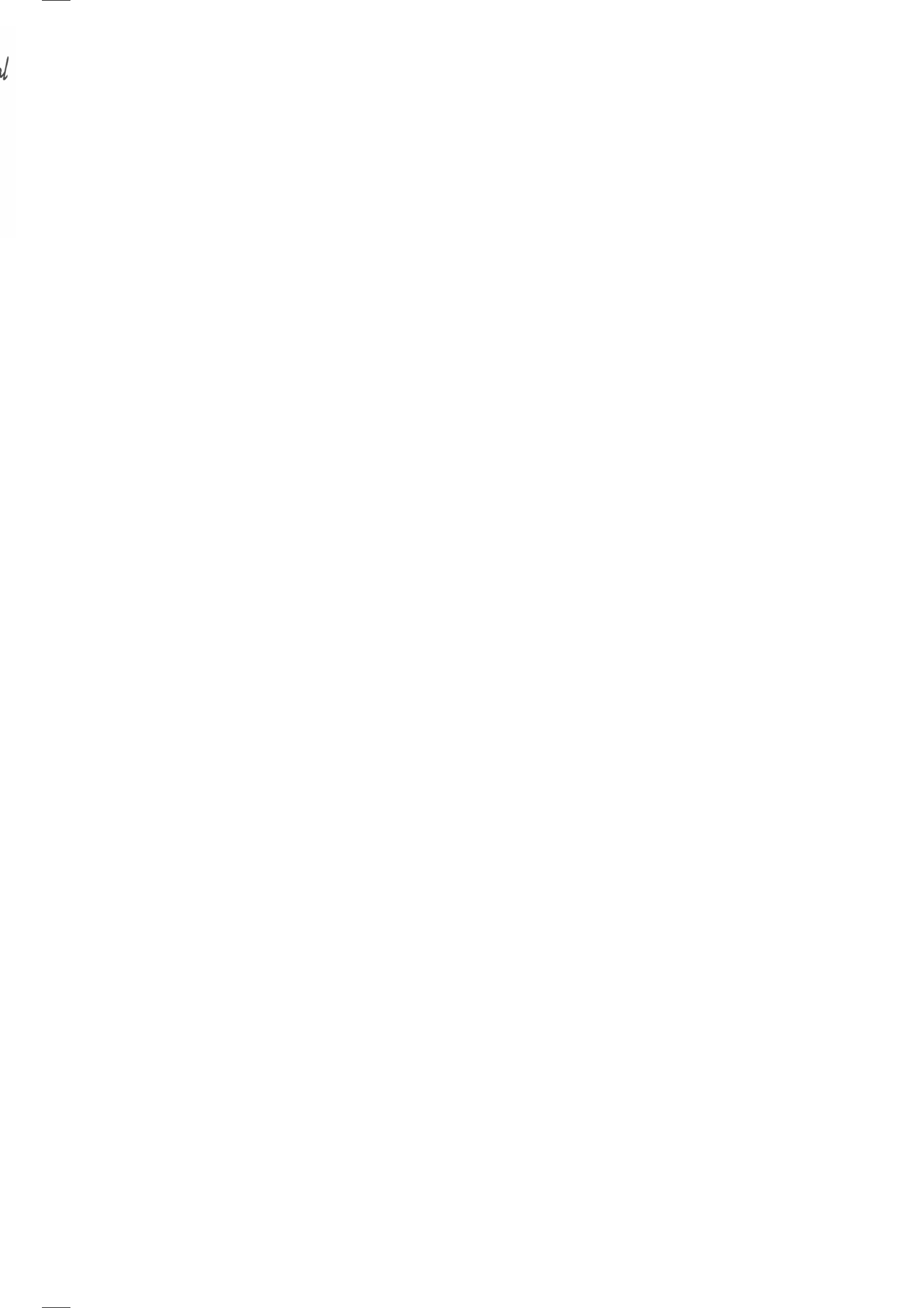
Party Afternoon with special guests

Unveiling of special Stepney 125 cake

Second Stepney 125 Commemorative

Gift given to pupils!

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.

School reopens on Monday 6th June at 8.55am.

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: Pork Sausages in a finger roll, Diced potatoes, Baked Beans, sweet corn.

Vegetarian option Quorn sausages in a finger roll. **Dessert** Apricot shortcake & Custard.

Tuesday

3.15-4.15 **Gymnastic Club** Outside coach

(This club is now full for this term)

Roast chicken with gravy. Roast potatoes. Cabbage, carrots. **Vegetarian option** Mixed vegetable Cous Cous. **Dessert.** Hungarian Chocolate Biscuit.

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**

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

Today's Menu Minced Beef & Potato Pie. New Potatoes, Broccoli, Cauliflower. **Vegetarian option.** Leek and Pasta Bake. **Dessert.** Ice cream with Fruit Puree.

Thursday

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

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

Today's Menu: Plain Omelette, mixed Vegetables. **Vegetarian option,** Jacket potato with Salmon Mayonnaise
Dessert Laminton Sponge.

Friday

Today's Menu Breaded Fish, Chips and Peas. **Vegetarian option.** Mediterranean vegetable Quiche. **Dessert** Carrot Cake.

Always available, Jacket Potato, Homemade Bread, Fresh Fruit, Assorted Yoghurts, Fresh Juice, Milk and Water.

