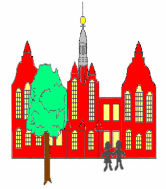


# The Stepney Star

Stepney Primary School



*A Small School With Great Expectations*

Weekly Newsletter  
Week: 31st Oct — 4th Nov 2011  
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## Christmas Gift Box Appeal

Once again, we are supporting this locally-based charity, providing gifts to children in Africa. This is the message that we received from the organisation: "Dear Supporters: It is that wonderful time of year again when we launch our appeal for the support of our local community to donate a gift



box. These amazing gifts will be received by some of the world's poorest children. Last year we received a record breaking response from schools, groups and individuals across the area. Last year you all helped us change the lives of over 4587 children. These gift boxes, which were hand delivered by ourselves to children in some of the poorest communities in Sierra Leone. This year we are continuing to support all of our international projects. In 2011 we will also work with our partner charity Childslife to support and change the lives of many more children in Moldova, Eastern Europe and Kenya. Childslife is based in the Netherlands and in this current economic climate it makes sense to share the cost of delivery and distribution ensuring all support goes further and directly to the children who need it most. This year, with your help we look forward to improving the lives of many more children. We kindly ask you to participate in this amazing appeal. It would help us greatly if all boxes could be into Real Aid by the 25th November 2011. Thank you on behalf of the children.  
*Yours sincerely Barbara Raine, Chief Executive Officer.* You will have had further details of this from school.

These are also available on the school website.

***DEADLINE FOR BOXES TO BE HANDED INTO SCHOOL: 23rd November***

## Special Visitor

On Friday, we had a very special visitor. Mr Bowenson Philips, the Chief Administrator of Freetown City Council. He toured the school, watched the year 4/5 dancers, listened to phase 2/3 as they told him all they have just learned about Africa and were quizzed by year 6.

## New Menu

You should have now received a copy of a brand new 3 weekly menu, which will start the first week back after half term. As usual we will keep you updated on the back of this newsletter.

## Harvest Festival Donations

On Thursday, Mr Morfitt and Mrs Holmes visited some of the local sheltered accommodation to distribute the harvest festival gifts that our pupils had brought into school. These were gratefully received. The residents have offered their heartfelt thanks to everyone at Stepney for their contributions.

## Year 6 Assembly

We were treated to a jam-packed year 6 assembly. First, the year 6 Stepney Steel Band played us into the hall with four pieces. Then we heard about all the responsibilities that our oldest pupils take on, such as councillors, road safety officers etc. Next, they told us about the things they have been studying as part of their 'Earth & Beyond' thematic unit this term. We heard science facts; listened to science fiction story openings; watched the children perform songs; marvelled at their Vincent Van Gogh pictures and enjoyed a

brilliant New Zealand-style 'Hacka'. Well done and thanks to everyone who took part—a fantastic performance!

## Halloween Disco

We have had another one of our ever popular disco, with children loving dressing up in 'spooky-scary' costumes.

## Prince's Trust Help !

We have had an unexpected call from the Prince's Trust offering volunteers to come and undertake playground and wall painting. This is just the news we want to hear! We will be having future discussions after half term, by which time we should have had our playground resurfacing finished and our new storage sheds and Foundation Stage playhouse erected. This will then be ready for decorations to be added to the surface. Initial ideas include a 'road way' marked out for the tricycles and scooters to be driven along and for our youngest pupils to practice road safety on!

## Parents Afternoons/Evenings

Don't forget parents evenings are on:

### Autumn 2011

**Wednesday 2nd November** - Foundation Stage, Yrs 1, 2 & 3

**Thursday 3rd November**—Yr 4, 5, 6

### Spring 2012

**Wednesday 29th February** - Foundation Stage, Yrs 1, 2 & 3

**Thursday 1st March** —Yrs 4, 5 & 6

## Exhibition Dates!

Here are the assembly dates for this half term:

**November 2011**

- EYFS/Yr 1 Exhibition - Thursday 10th

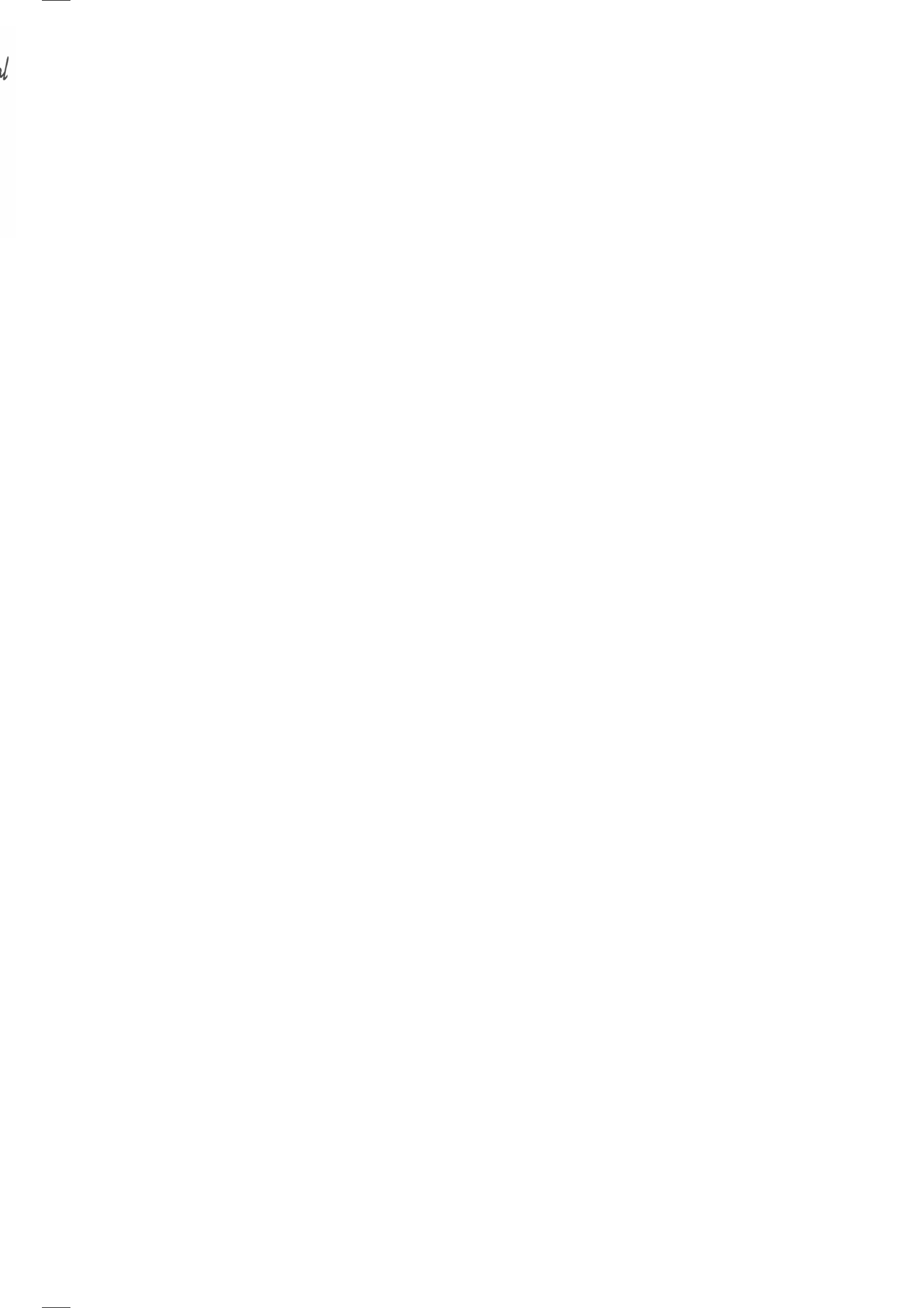
- Phase 2/3 Exhibition - Thursday 17th

- Phase 4/5 Exhibition - Thursday 24th

**December 2011**

- Year 6 Exhibition - Thursday 1st

# 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 Wednesday& Friday.

**Year 4/5B** PE kits Wednesday & Friday

**Year 6** PE kits Tuesday.

## MENU 1

### Monday

12.30pm Reading Club Mrs Phelps-Jones, Mrs Northern Y4,

12.30pm Pet Care Mrs Crichton EYFS/Y1

3.15-4.15 Multi Skills Miss Richardson K/S 2

**Today's Menu:** Sausages and Gravy, diced potatoes, sweetcorn & peas. **Veg. option** Vegetable Sausages and Gravy. **Dessert,** Jam sponge and custard

### Tuesday

12.30 Study Club **Y6** Mrs Brocklebank, Miss Patrick

3.15-4.15pm Basketball Club Miss Richardson Y1—Y6

**Today's Menu:** Meat and Potato Pie & Gravy, roast potatoes, cauliflower & broccoli. **Veg. option** Cheese & Onion pasty, **Dessert,** Apple Crumble and custard.

### Wednesday

12.30pm **Friendship Club Years 4.5.& 6** Miss Saint

3.15-4.15pm **Sewing Club Y6** Mrs Chrichton

3.15-4.15 pm Football Club Mr Burton Y4,5 & 6 (**NOW FULL**)

3.15-4.15pm ICT Games Miss Atkinson & Miss Baitson Y2 & Y3

**Today's Menu** Roast chicken & gravy, mashed potato, cabbage & carrots. **Veg. option** Vegetable pie & gravy. **Dessert,** Rice pudding with peaches.

### Thursday

3.15pm **Steel Drums** Mr Browning - Year 6

3.15pm-4.15pm All Sports K/S 2 Miss Richardson

3.15pm Cookery Club Rec—Y6 Mrs Heidstra, Miss Pullen (**NOW FULL**)

12.30pm **Study Club** Mrs Brocklebank & Miss Patrick

**Today's Menu** Cottage Pie and gravy, boiled potato, mixed vegetables. **Veg. option** Leek & Pasta bake. **Dessert,** Chocolate sponge and pink sauce.

### Friday

**Today's Menu** Breaded Fish, chips, peas & mushy peas. **Veg. option** Vegetable curry. **Dessert** Oaty Biscuits

