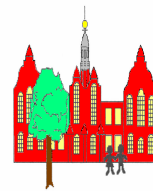


The Stepney Star



Stepney Primary School



A Small School With Great Expectations

Weekly Newsletter
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A Fantastic Fayre !

Once again we have had an enjoyable and successful Christmas Fayre. We had a special visitor in the guise of Father Christmas as well as stalls in the hall. Many thanks to everyone who attended and to Mr Morfitt and staff for organising, arranging and running the stalls. The winners of the hampers were Harry in year 6 and Jayden in Reception. Tabarek won the large pink flamingo while Jack in year 6 won the storytelling bear!

Christmas Concerts !

Pupils in Nursery up to year 5 will be performing their Christmas Productions next week in the school hall. Year 6 will not be involved as they will be staging their end of year show in the summer. During the last few weeks, pupils and staff have been busy preparing for these so we hope everyone will enjoy this special time of the year. Please see below for specific details about the organisation for these events:

Dates for Christmas Events !

Christmas Concerts !

These are taking place next week and all start at 10.30am

Foundation Stage/Year 1 - Tues 13th

Phase 4/5 - Wednesday 14th

Phase 2/3 - Thursday 15th

Christmas Service at St. Mary's

Monday 19th December - 10am start

Tuesday 20th December - Pupils in years 2 - 6 will be going to Hull Truck Theatre to watch 'The Elves and the Shoemaker'

Crèche Facilities & Buggies!

We understand that parents often have younger children with them for the productions. In order to make it easier for you, we will be running a crèche for the three productions next week. This will be available for children who are below

school age and will take place in the Foundation Stage area. If you are bringing a buggy, these **will not** be allowed in the hall due to health and safety issues and space. We will provide an area in the staff PPA room (next to the staff room) for buggies. If you wish to take up this offer, then please come to the school office 15 minutes before the start of the production i.e. 10.15am

Mobile Phones!

May we remind you that all mobile phones should be put on silent or turned off during the productions.

Christmas Dinner

The school Christmas dinner will be held on Wednesday 14th December.

Late Arrivals!

Each week the list of late arrivals into school is getting longer. May we remind you that school starts at 8.55am and children are required to be in classrooms at this time. If there is a medical appointment that children have had to attend first thing in the morning, then we need to have confirmation of the appointment from the doctors/hospital etc. Your appointment card will suffice.

Packed Lunches on School Visits !

When we take pupils on school visits which involve a lunchtime away from school the following applies:

- 1) If you usually pay for a school cooked meal for your child, then you need to provide them with a packed lunch from home. You cannot buy a school packed lunch and they will not be provided with a free one from school;
- 2) If your child usually brings a packed lunch to school, then they need to bring a packed lunch from home;
- 3) If your child is entitled to a Free

School Meal, they are entitled to have a packed lunch that is provided by school. Of course, your child may bring a packed lunch from home, if you/they prefer this.

NPower Year 6 !

This week, our year 6 pupils had an NPower sponsored event, in which they were involved in activities about respect for others. Using role play and freeze-frame techniques they acted out situations showing how they treat others. As part of the activities, they had to complete a questionnaire, which will be entered into a competition. The winners will receive tickets to a Hull City match. A good incentive!

Phase 6 Exhibition !

On 1st December, we completed our autumn season of phase exhibitions with a great morning of work and activities from year 6. With over 40 parents and carers, everyone was able to enjoy sharing the 'Science' themed work, including some great singing, sensational dancing and David and Jonathan's clarinet duet. Once again, we asked our guests what they thought. Their comments are on the December daily diary page of our website. Just click on the tab marked 'News & Newsletters' then the further tab marked 'News'.

Dates for your diary !

The last day of term is **Tuesday 20th December**. Pupils return to school on **Thursday 5th January 2012**. Full details of this year's term times may be viewed on our website by clicking on the 'Events & Dates' tab then following the link.

After School Clubs

There will be no clubs next week. These will recommence after the Christmas holidays.

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 2

Monday

All CLUBS CANCELLED UNTIL THE NEW TERM

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

Tuesday

All CLUBS CANCELLED UNTIL THE NEW TERM

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

Wednesday

All CLUBS CANCELLED UNTIL THE NEW TERM

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

Thursday

All CLUBS CANCELLED UNTIL THE NEW TERM

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

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