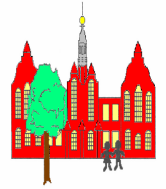


# The Stepney Star

Stepney Primary School



A Small School With Great Expectations

Weekly Newsletter  
Week: 13th — 17th February 2012  
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## **REDUCTION IN SCHOOL MEAL PRICES !**

In line with recommendations from the Local Authority, governors have agreed that the cost of school meals will go down from £1.30 to £1 per day. This will take effect from Monday 27th February (the first day back after half term)

## **Free Schools Meals Entitlement**

We are aware that there may still be parents/carers who are entitled to claim for Free School Meals for their children, but who are not doing so. If you are claiming any of the benefits that are listed below, then it is worth claiming for Free School Meals: Income Support, Job Seekers Allowance (Income based only), Child Tax Credit (not working tax), State Pension Credit Asylum Seekers – Home Office SAL1 form  
Please enquire at our school office if you need further details.

## **The Eighth International Pupil Council Meeting !**

Mr Browning, along with Thomas and Amelia from year 6 attended another meeting of the IPC on Wednesday. This was held at Bellfield Primary School. Among the items discussed were the arrangements for the anticipated visit of teachers from our partner schools in Freetown. All being well, we are expecting them to come in March. If you wish to read more about the items that the IPC discussed, please go to the following page on our school website:

[http://www.stepney.hull.sch.uk/kidszone\\_InternationalPupilCouncil.html](http://www.stepney.hull.sch.uk/kidszone_InternationalPupilCouncil.html)

## **A Down-Under Assembly**

On Thursday, our Foundation Stage and year 1 pupils entertained and educated us with a brilliant assembly. While our Reception and Nursery pupils recited the Gingerbread Man story, year 1 told us all about Australia, complete with Aboriginal Art, colourful coral fish and a surfing kangaroo. Amazing! Well done to pupils and staff for a stunning performance!

## **New Endeavour Head teacher Visits Stepney !**

On Wednesday, we had a visit from the new headteacher of Endeavour school. Stewart Edgell had a meeting with Mr Browning, then spoke briefly to our year 6 pupils about their forthcoming transition to the secondary school. He explained how they are creating a 'school within a school' feel to Endeavour with years 7 and 8 more closely linked together. The two heads discussed more links between the schools and their staff to forge closer working relationships in order to help children as they move on from a primary school.

## **More Thanks !**

We have received yet another email from Donna Shipp, the IMPS coordinator, who said: "Just to say Stepney pupils were all fab this year: trainers' feedback was also excellent from the second visit. Please pass on our thanks to the pupils especially regarding their manners and good behaviour." Needless to say, it is a joy to have these positive comments coming back about our pupils! A big pat-on-the-back, children!

## **The Fire Door Arrives !**

Finally, the new fire door for the mezzanine floor has arrived and been fitted. The contractors had recently delivered a door that was too short but this one fits perfectly today. On behalf of their friends, the school councillors have been asking for a replacement door for ages. The previous one was rather heavy to open. The new one is lighter, it has a fireproof window in it and is easier to open, while still doing it's job!

## **Assembly Dates!**

This first half term, our pupils have been performing their class assemblies. After the holiday, we are going to be holding our very popular phase exhibitions. Here are the exhibition dates for this term:

### **March 2012**

- Phase 2/3 Exhibition - Thursday 1st
- Phase 4/5 Exhibition - Thursday 8th
- Year 6 Exhibition - Thursday 15th
- EYFS/Yr 1 Exhibition – Thursday 29nd (Please note that this is an alteration from the 22nd)

### **Other Dates for your Diary!**

#### **Spring Half Term Holiday:-**

School Ends on Friday 17th February and reopens on Monday 27th February.

#### **Easter Holidays:-**

School Ends on Friday 30th March and reopens on Tuesday 17th April.

#### **May Day Holiday:-**

School is closed on Monday 7th May

#### **Summer Half Term Holiday:-**

School Ends on Thursday 31st May and reopens on Monday 11th June (This is later than usual to coincide with the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Celebrations)

School Ends for the Summer on Friday 20th 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 Wednesday& Friday.

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

**Year 6** PE kits Tuesday.

## MENU 1

### Monday

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

12.30pm Pet Care Mrs Crichton EYFS/Y1

3.15-4.15 Multi Skills Miss Richardson Recep & Year 1

**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 Wilde, 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

## **All School Clubs Cancelled Tonight**

**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 Wilde& 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

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