

The Stepney Star

Stepney Primary School



A Small School With Great Expectations

Weekly Newsletter
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FAREWELL TO A COLLEAGUE

Today, we have one of our long standing colleagues leaving the school. Since starting on the Stepney staff in 1998, Miss Ullah has been a Teaching Assistant with us over the last fourteen years. In that period, she has seen many changes and taken part in numerous celebrations, events and activities. Miss Ullah was one of the main campaigners helping to keep the school open, when it was faced with closure over ten years ago. Her two children also attended the school. On behalf of everyone at Stepney, we would like to express our thanks for all her work and support and wish her well in her future endeavours.

Breakfast Club Reminder

If your child attends our breakfast club, please will you remind them that they have to go into the hall to be registered and then stay there. A few children are registering then sneaking out onto the playground to play football. Although we don't want to spoil their enjoyment, we haven't enough staff to cover outside as well as inside for the Breakfast club period.

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 child 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.

Overdue Reminders

We have had a few parents who have been given free school meal entitlement for their children. For some of them, they still owe money from when their child paid. These still need to be paid to the school. The office staff have been sending out reminders to parents who owe several weeks of lunch money. This is money that is now owed to the school rather than the council. If you receive a reminder, then please will you go to the school office to pay this.

Basketball Bonanza

Year 6 travelled went to Endeavour Sports Centre to meet the challenge of Clifton, Collingwood and Pearson primary schools for a basketball tournament. Each school was divided into four different teams. A team from each school then took part in a 'Round Robin' series of matches. Two of the Stepney teams won their group and another came second. There were magnificent individual and team performances. Stepney came first, much to the delight of us all. Well done to everyone who took part.

Planting of Foundation Stage Borders!

Our friend, David Longthorne, popped by today to say that he is preparing some shrubs and trees to plant in the Foundation Stage area. He will

coming on February 29th to help our pupils plant these.

Astro Turf Quotes!

We are currently getting quotes to install astro turf on the Foundation Stage outdoor area. We have tried with re-turfing the area but it still ends up being muddy and messy. All being well, we will have this area resurfaced very soon.

Exhibition 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 K/S 2

Today's Menu: Sausages, mashed potato, baked beans and peas, gravy. **Vegetarian menu** Vegetarian sausages.

Dessert Chocolate crunch & custard

Tuesday

12.30 Study Club Y6 Mrs Wilde, Miss Patrick

The Basketball Club is cancelled tonight.

Today's Menu Chilli Con Carne, diced potato, mixed vegetables. **Vegetarian menu** Plain Omelettes **Dessert** Fruit Flapjack & 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 Turkey, roast potatoes, carrots and cabbage. **Vegetarian menu** Vegetable Pastry **Dessert** Lemon Short-cake

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 : Minced Beef and potato pie, boiled potatoes, broccoli and cauliflower **Vegetarian menu** Salmon fish cakes
Dessert Rice pudding.

Friday

Today's Menu: Breaded fish, chips and peas. **Vegetarian menu** Vegetable Goulash **Dessert** Chocolate Muffin.

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