

The Stepney Star

Stepney Primary School



A Small School With Great Expectations

Weekly Newsletter
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Stepney Community Choir!

We are delighted to announce the start of another initiative at Stepney. This year, we are employing the services of the 'Music Academy for Schools and Communities' to lead on our music provision at school. This specialist help is already having a big impact on our school. One of the teachers, Mrs Rice, who is a former local authority music advisor, is going to start a community choir. This was requested by our school pupil council. It is open to pupils from years 2 to 6 by themselves or with their parents. We would be delighted for brave parents/carers to join their children for what promises to be an exciting project. The first rehearsal will begin on Wednesday 14th November from 3.15pm to 4.15pm and will be held in the large year 6 classroom. If you wish to attend, please will you return the permission slip on the letter home as soon as possible.

Poppy Appeal

Our year 6 pupils are starting to bring around the poppies for sale. We also have some rubber wrist bands. The Royal British Legion have asked that pupils pay £1 for these. We have decided that if pupils pay £1 for the band, they will get a poppy as well. It may well be a good time to start collecting rubber wrist bands. We had special Stepney 125 celebration bands made for us last year and gave these out free to pupils. As well as the poppy ones, we are also selling wrist bands for Children in Need day and giving away some free 'Anti-bullying Week' ones.

Parents/Carers Consultation Days

Letter have gone home regarding the consultation days for parents and car-

ers. These are taking place on Wednesday 7th November for Nursery, Reception, and years 1, 2 & 3. Thursday 8th November is the designated day for years 4, 5 & 6. Please return the reply slip this week to help us guarantee you a place.

Beware Bikes!

We are delighted to see so many pupils travelling to school on their bicycles. However, we are having some issues at the start and end of the school day. There have been some very near misses, involving the older pupils on their bikes and our youngest pupils. Please will parents/carers remind their children that once they are on the school premises they need to get off their bikes and walk with them.

New PE Coach Visits!

All the pupils were delighted to meet Mr Rookyard this week. Mr Brown-ing took him around the school to meet everyone. Mr Rookyard will be starting after the half term holiday. He will be taking lunchtime sports clubs, then leading the teaching of PE in the afternoons across the school, followed by a range of afterschool clubs, including the return of the school football team. In the first few weeks, he will be working with Miss Northen, our PE coordinator, to finalise his timetable and lesson plans. This is an exciting new venture for us and we are all looking forward to developing the sporting potential of our pupils.

Pink Friday

Some of our staff have been supporting one of the cancer research charities with an event called 'Pink Friday'. They sold buns in school for 20p each, much to the delight of the pupils and raised a fair sum to send to the

charity as well.

Christmas Fayre

This year's Christmas Fayre will be held on Thursday 6th December, starting at 2.30pm. If you have any unwanted gifts or bottles that you would like to donate please do so.

School Disco

We had a brilliant Halloween disco on Thursday. As always, it proved to be one of the more popular discos of the year with everyone dressing up and joining in with the fun.

Asthma Pumps

Please may we remind parents/carers to make sure that if their child is asthmatic they need to have a pump in school and that it is kept up to date.

Christmas Shoe Boxes Reminder!

Samaritan's Purse - Operation Christmas Child

May we remind you about the Christmas Shoe Box project. They will be collected on Wednesday 14th November, which means we need to have them back in by the end of the first week back after the half term holiday. Last year, we had a tremendous response. We would be grateful for as much help as we can this year as well.

Assembly & Exhibition Dates!

November 2012

- Yr 6 Exhibition—Thurs 15th
- Phase 4/5 Exhibition—Thurs 22nd
- EYFS/Yr 1 Exhibition—Thurs 29th

December 2012

- Phase 2/3 Exhibition—Thurs 6th

Christmas Productions 2012

- EYFS/Yr 1—18th December
- Phase 2/3—19th December
- Phase 4/5—20th December
- Carol Service—21st December

Visit our website for more on these items

What the children need next week

Foundation Stage PE Kits Friday.

Year 1 Bookworm on Friday morning. 8.55 –9.20. PE Kits Mondays.

Year 2/3A PE Kits Tuesday

Year 2/3B PE Kits Tuesday

Year 4/5A PE kits Wednesday

Year 4/5B PE kits Wednesday

Year 6 PE kits Thursday

MENU 1—Week Commencing 5th November

Monday

12.30-1pm ICT year 4/5 Miss Northern

3.15-4.15 Mini Skills Rec/Y1 Miss Richardson

Today's Menu: Sausages & Onions in gravy, diced potatoes, seasonal vegetables. **Vegetarian option:** Vegetable Sausages & Onion in gravy OR Vegetable Risotto **Dessert:** Flapjack with Chocolate Drizzle OR Fruit OR Yoghurt

Tuesday

12.30-1pm ICT year 1 Mr Cameron

3.15-4.15 Basketball Club years 1-6 Miss Richardson

Today's Menu: Meat and Potato Pie, roast potatoes seasonal vegetables. **Vegetarian option:** Vegetable Goulash OR Jacket Potato & Tuna Mayonnaise **Dessert:** Rice Pudding OR Fruit OR Yoghurt

Wednesday

3.15pm - 4.15pm ICT year2/3 Miss Atkinson/Miss Baitson

Today's Menu: Chicken Curry, potato wedges/rice, seasonal vegetables. **Vegetarian option:** Omelettes or Spaghetti Napoliteine **Dessert:** Iced Chocolate Sponge OR Fruit OR Yoghurt

Thursday

12.30-1pm Study Club Y6 Mrs Wilde/Miss Patrick

3.15—4.15 Steel Drums Y6—Mr. Browning/Miss Hatfield

3.15—4.15 All Sports Y2—Y6 - Miss Richardson

3.15—4.15 Cookery Club - Miss Pullen/Mrs. Stimpson

Today's Menu: Roast Beef and gravy, mashed potatoes, seasonal vegetables. **Vegetarian option:** Curried Vegetable Pasty OR Jacket Potato with Cheese. **Dessert:** Shortcake and custard OR Fruit OR Yoghurt

Friday

Today's Menu: Breaded Fish, Chips Seasonal Vegetable. **Vegetarian option,** Mediterranean Quiche,. **Dessert:** Chocolate Fruit Crispy OR Fruit OR Yoghurt

ALWAYS AVAILABLE: Fruit Juice, Milk or Water