

# The Stepney Star

Stepney Primary School



*A Small School With Great Expectations*

Weekly Newsletter  
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## **Christmas Fayre Items Needed!**

Our Christmas Fayre is next week on Thursday 6th December. It will start at 2.45pm. In order that we have another highly successful fayre, we would be grateful for donations for our stalls, mainly the **bottle stall**. If you are willing to help us, please will you send them into school at the start of next week.

## **Super STEM at the Stadium**

Year 6 visited the KC Stadium on Thursday for a variety of different science activities. They started off with electricity-based experiments, then made air propelled cars and finished with some amazing chemistry! Everyone had a brilliant day! STEM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths.

## **Foundation Stage /Yr 1 Exhibition**

Thirty-seven parents and carers attended another of our popular exhibition mornings. As well as having a chance to look at pupils' work and join in their usual activities, there was a 'penguin' making session - some made out of socks and others from tissue paper! We handed out our questionnaire to parents/carers and have had many favourable comments (Please see these on our November Daily Diary webpages) Our sincere thanks go to everyone who attended.

## **Year 6, Improving Our City!**

We were delighted to welcome back an old friend today. David Longthorne came in again to talk to the year 6 pupils. A while ago, he worked with one of our previous year 6 cohorts to plant

trees along the embankments of Barmston Drain, which runs at the east end of Stepney Lane. This Friday, our oldest pupils have been planting some more trees. This is part of David's project to replant trees all the way along the drain from the city centre. As ever, the pupils were keen to help!.

## **Rainbow Writing Winners!**

This week's winners are:  
Year 1—Hayley & Maliik  
Class 2/3a—Ellie & Ahmad  
Class 2/3b—Klaudia & Agnieska  
Class 4/5a—Therese & Natalia  
Class 4/5b—Charlie & Olivia  
Class 6a—Bethany & Brandon  
Class 6b—Shaunna & Charlotte

## **Bridging the Gap!**

Some of our teaching assistants have been involved in a training by some of the staff from Sydney Smith School. This is aimed at providing help and support to some of our families. We are extremely grateful to the parent who came and worked with us, as part of the training.

## **'My Maths'!**

During our recent parents'/carers' consultation day, we had queries about resources that could be used at home to support pupils' learning. We have signed up for the primary school version of the site, which gives work from National Curriculum levels 1 to 7!

The pupils have the username and password details that was give them earlier this week. They may login to the site at home and take part in the activities. Please look at the home page of our website to go to the login page. Also remember to look at the

other links, lower down this page. These include our learning platform, the Bug Club Reading Site and the Purple Nash 2simple software site. (If there are any problems accessing these, please notify the school and we will resolve them for you)

## **Playtime Buddies!**

During our Friendship events last week, we also decided to ensure everyone knew who our Playtime Buddies were:

Year 1: Juma & Michal  
Class 2/3a: Taran & Sinead  
Class 2/3b: Michael & Courtney  
Class 4/5a: Jessica & David  
Class 4/5b: Patryc & Morgan  
Year 6: Tarek & Blessing

## **Welcome Back, Mrs Brocklebank!**

We are delighted to welcome Mrs Brocklebank back to school, following her maternity leave. She is resuming her role, teaching in year 6 and being our Special Needs Coordinator. This role is now being shared between Mrs Brocklebank and Mrs Wilde. If any parents/carers have any queries regarding special needs provision in the school, then please contact either of these teachers.

## **Christmas Dinner & Secret Shop**

Dinner will be on Wednesday 12th December and the Secret Shop will be on Friday 14th Dec.

## **Exhibition Dates!**

### **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 3rd December

### Monday

12.30-1pm ICT year 4/5 Miss Northern

3.15-4.15 Mini Skills Rec/Y1 **Cancelled this week**

**Today's Menu:** Pork Sausages in a finger roll, Diced potatoes, Baked Beans, sweet corn. **Vegetarian option:** Quorn sausages in a finger roll. **Dessert:** Apricot shortcake & Custard

### Tuesday

12.30-1pm ICT year 1 Mr Cameron

3.15-4.15 Basketball Club years 1-6 Mr Rookyard

**Today's Menu:** Roast chicken with gravy. Roast potatoes. Cabbage, carrots. **Vegetarian option:** Mixed vegetable Cous Cous. **Dessert.:** Hungarian Chocolate Biscuit

### Wednesday

3.15pm—4.15pm Stepney Community Choir

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

3.15pm—4.15pm Football Club

**Today's Menu:** Minced Beef & Potato Pie, New Potatoes, Broccoli, Cauliflower. **Vegetarian option.:** Leek and Pasta Bake. **Dessert:** Ice cream with Fruit Puree.

### Thursday

**ALL CLUBS CANCELLED TODAY**  
**CHRISTMAS FAIR**

**Today's Menu:** Plain Omelette, mixed Vegetables. **Vegetarian option,** Jacket potato with Salmon Mayonnaise  
**Dessert** Laminton Sponge.

### Friday

3.15pm—4.15pm Football Club

**Today's Menu:** Breaded Fish, Chips and Peas. **Vegetarian option:** Mediterranean vegetable Quiche.  
**Dessert:** Carrot Cake.