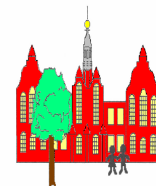


# The Stepney Star

Stepney Primary School



*A Small School With Great Expectations*

Weekly Newsletter  
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## Happy New Year to All Our Pupils & their Parents, Carers & Friends

We hope that everyone has had a good Christmas and enjoyed a well-earned winter break and that 2014 will be a good New Year.

## Bicycle Coding Session

On Friday 17th January at 3pm, the PCSOs will be in the playground to help code pupils' bicycles. If you wish your child to have his/her bike coded, then please return the permission slip to school. Letters have been sent out but you can also click on the website links to see a copy of the letter home and the permission slip.

## Pupils Back & Attendance Reminder

It was great to see all our pupils back on Tuesday. May we remind parents and carers that we are continuing our big push on ensuring that our school attendance is as good as it possibly can be.

In order for pupils to progress and to achieve better levels, they need to be at school as much as possible and to be on time. Our autumn attendance figures had improved on the same time last year but we cannot afford to be complacent.

## School Nurse

May we also remind you that if you have concerns about your child's health that are causing problems with attendance, or you are simply worrying over, our school nurse, Jakki Metcalfe is in school on Tuesday mornings. If you wish to see her, then please contact the school office.

## Spring Parents'/Carers'

### Consultation Dates

Next week, we are having meetings for parents. During these, teachers will explain how pupils have pro-

gressed through the autumn term, what their attainment (current levels) is in relation to their targets and what expectations are for the year. It will be an opportunity to look at the work that pupils have been doing and discuss further work at school and at home that is needed to help them, as well as to answer any queries. (NB. Apart from these scheduled dates, staff are always available to see parents'/carers' throughout the year about any issues. Please arrange with the teacher or via the school office for an appointment)

Letters are being sent out this week. Please return them as soon as possible.

- **Years 4, 5 & 6** - Tues 14th

(Between 1pm and 6pm)

- **Reception, Years 1, 2 & 3** - Wed

15th (Between 1pm and 6pm)

- **Nursery** - Wed 15th (Between 9am and 12 noon)

## Blogging Mania

As part of the ICT work that we are doing this year, we have set up a kid-blog website to upload work onto. We started this in conjunction with our iPad training which is being led by Mr Andrews, an external advisor. Both pupils and staff have received training by him and the work put onto this blogsite. As well as the information that can be accessed on the homepage of our website (click here to see the information page or click here to go straight to kidblog) Mr Browning has been working with classes, showing them how to blog and reminding them about the e-safety procedures they need to put into place. Some of the key messages are that when pupils put comments onto the site, they mustn't use their full names. Indeed, some have started using aliases. Also, all

comments have to be checked and verified by the school before being approved. This includes comments from anyone at all. Inappropriate comments will be deleted.

At the end of today, we already had 366 comments posted!

## Phone Numbers & Contact Details

Please inform us of any changes to your phone numbers or addresses. It is vital that we can contact parents and carers in the case of an emergency.

## This Week's Theme

For years we have had a theme each week, which we share in our assemblies and each school day. We thought we would also share this with you. During this first week back our theme has been:

'I can set myself a goal or challenge'. This coming week it is: 'I can break a goal down into small steps'

## Multicultural Celebrations

One of the strengths of Stepney is that we are a multicultural school and we think about other people's religions, customs, cultures and beliefs:

We have reminded pupils that this week, people around the world have been celebrating...

Epiphany: the last night of Christmas, and a time to remember the Magi (The Three Wise Men or Three Kings) Christmas Day in the Eastern Orthodox Church and in Ethiopia.

## Spring Class Assembly Dates

January 2014

- Phase 4/5 Assembly—Thurs 23rd

- Yr 6 Assembly - Thurs 30th

February 2014

- EYFS/Yr 1 Assembly—Thurs 6th

- Phase 2/3 Assembly—Thurs 13th

**Child Protection: Please remember to report Child Protection concerns to Miss J. Atkinson**

### What the children need next week

Foundation Stage PE Kits Friday.

Year 1 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

### Rainbow Writing Winners

Our weekly winners assemblies start back next week when pupils will have completed their first pieces of work for this term.

### Mighty Maths Winners

Our weekly winners assemblies start back next week when pupils will have completed their first pieces of work for this term.

### Stars of the Week!

Foundation Stage: Lenya

Year 1: Diana

Year 2/3A: Yousef

Year 2/3B: Lileana

Year 4/5A: Abigayle

Year 4/5B: Oskar

Year 6A: Thevmini

Year 6B: Milena



### Distinction Awards!

Foundation Stage: Brajan & Keyaan

Year 2/3A: Owen & Megan

Year 4/5A: Jakub & Shakira

Year 6A: Charlie Eves

## **MENU 2**

### Monday

**Today's Menu:** Cottage Pie, Boiled Potatoes, Broccoli and Cauliflower. **Vegetarian Menu:** Vegetable Pie. **Dessert:** Shortcake & Custard.

### Tuesday

**Today's Menu:** Southern Fried Chicken, Diced Potatoes, Carrots and Peas. **Vegetarian Option:** Cheese and Pasta Bake. **Dessert:** Chocolate Crackle & Custard

### Wednesday

**Today's Menu:** Roast Pork Loin with Stuffing & Gravy, Roast Potatoes, Peas and Sweet Corn Mixed **Vegetarian Option:** Cheese & Onion Pasty, **Dessert:** Muffins

### Thursday

**Today's Menu:** Ham Pizza, Potato Wedges, Mini Corn on the Cob. **Vegetarian Option:** Cheese & Tomato Pizza, **Dessert:** Milkshake

### Friday

**Today's Menu:** Battered Fish or Fish Cake, Chips, Peas and Baked Beans. **Vegetarian Option:** Mediterranean & Vegetable Quiche. **Dessert:** Chocolate Oat Delight & Custard

## **Extra-Curricular Clubs**

Lunchtime ICT K/S 1  
3-15pm-4.15pm Multi skills, KS1

3.15pm –4.15pm School Choir Y1 –Y6  
3.15pm– 4.15pm Bench Ball KS2  
3.15pm - 4.15pm French Y3-Y6  
3.15pm—4.15pm Basic Maths Rec/Y1

Lunchtime Reading Year 2/3  
3.15pm –4.15pm Football Club KS2  
3.15pm 4.15pm Bug Club Whole school  
3.15pm –4.15pm Story time Rec/Y1  
3.15pm—4.15pm Football Club

Lunchtime Study Club Y6  
3.15pm-4.15pm Basketball KS2  
3.15pm –4.15pm Cookery Rec-Y3  
3.15pm –4.15pm Eco Club  
3.15pm –4.15pm Card Making Y5-Y6  
3.15pm –4.15pm ICT Whole School

3.15pm-4.15pm Football KS2  
3.15pm –4.15pm Sewing Year 5-Y6