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Ashmole Newsletter



AUTUMN 2015—ISSUE 4 FRIDAY 13TH NOVEMBER 2015

Attendance

23/10/15 -
 08/11/15
 R - 91.6%
 Y1 - 99.0%
 Y2 - 98.2%
 Y3 - 96.3%
 Y4 - 96.4%
 Y5 - 96.3%
 Y6 - 98.2%

Target = 96.9%

Stars of the Week

06/11/15
 N - Ayaan & Mason
 R - Eshan & Sofie
 Y1 - Marina & Oliver
 Y2 - Emma & Ty-Jah
 Y3 - Nathaniel & Taye-Shana
 Y4 - Adeleke & Poppy
 Y5 - Adetayo & Yusra
 Y6 - Han & James

Stars of the Week

13/11/15
 N - Mary & Mateo
 R - Alfie & Jamila
 Y1 - Gbemileke & Lamar
 Y2 - Beatrice & Samwiri
 Y3 - Kayla & Montana
 Y4 - Eve & Yaqoob
 Y5 - Chukwunwike & Samira
 Y6 - Romy & Sumayah

Bonfire Party



The rain didn't stop our fun on the 5th of November and the feedback from parents, pupils and staff was incredibly positive following our annual bonfire party this year. Many thanks to staff and parents who led and supported the event which provided a great opportunity for parents, carers, staff and pupils to socialise and enjoy food, drinks and games. Well done to John at The Triangle for managing to light a fantastic bonfire which more than made up for getting wet in the rain! The event raised over £200 for PSA funds which will contribute to the cost of trips and visits.



Queen Victoria visits KS1

As part of KS1's history topic (Queen Victoria), children in years 1 and 2 took part in a 'Victorian Street party' to celebrate Queen Victoria's Golden Jubilee. Pupils shared food, played Victorian street games and made Union Jack flags to wave. Queen Victoria herself even made



an appearance and answered some of the children's questions!



Fire Engine Visit



Pupils in nursery and reception classes had a visit from Brixton White Watch in a fire engine last week. Pupils enjoyed learning about the protective clothing worn by firefighters and how it keeps them safe. The team also talked about how to contact the fire brigade if there is a fire before cutting the session short to respond to an emergency call! We will be arranging for a return visit to find out more about the equipment that the firefighters use.



Year 5 & 6 Violins at RFH

On Friday 23rd October, our violinists from Years 5 and 6 performed at the Royal Festival Hall alongside the London Philharmonic Orchestra. Pupils performed some pieces by Vaughn Williams as well as a piece composed especially for the event by Gavin Higgins. Thank you to all of the parents and carers who supported our pupils at this prestigious event.



Term dates 2015-16

Autumn term 2:
Christmas break:
Spring term 1:
Spring Half term break:
Spring term 2:
Easter break:
Summer term 1:
Summer Half term break:
Summer term 2:

Start
 Monday 2 November
Monday 21 December
 Monday 4 January
Monday 15 February
 Monday 22 February
Friday 25 March
 Monday 11 April
Monday 30 May
 Monday 6 June

Finish
 Friday 18 December**
Friday 1 January
 Friday 12 February *
Friday 19 February
 Thursday 24 March**
Friday 8 April
 Friday 27 May *
Friday 3 June
 Friday 15 July**

* End of half term = usual finish time of **3.30pm** with EDC for those registered
 ** **End of full term = finish time of 2.00pm with NO EDC**
School CLOSED: Tuesday 1 September & Friday 16 October (staff INSET);
Monday 2 May (Bank Holiday) & Thursday 5 May (GLA Polling)

2 Week Planner

(items in blue open to parents/carers)

Mon 16/11	Tue 17/11	Wed 18/11	Thu 19/11	Fri 20/11
PSA Meeting 9.05-9.45 (EDC) re Winter Fair Year 3 to Royal Opera House		Book Fair 8.45-9.00 Maths Café (Yr 3&4 parents/carers) 9.10-10.00 Fundraising "Stomp" in Vauxhall Park Yr 5&6 football (8 children) football league (3.20 KO) Book Fair 3.15-3.45	Book Fair 8.45-9.00 Book Fair 3.15-3.45	Book Fair 8.45-9.00 3 x Yr3 to Wyl (pm) for P4C workshop Yr 5 mass ensemble rehearsal at Lilian Baylis (pm) Book Fair 3.15-3.45
Mon 23/11	Tue 24/11	Wed 25/11	Thu 26/11	Fri 27/11
Book Fair 8.45-9.00 Book Fair 3.15-3.45 (last one)	Yr 5 mass ensemble rehearsal at Lilian Baylis (pm)	Maths Café (Yr 5&6 parents/carers) 9.10-10.00 Yr 5 mass ensemble rehearsal (1.00) & performance (7.30) at Royal Albert Hall Yr 5&6 football (8 children) football league (3.20 KO)		

Book Fair



The Travelling Book Fair will be in the hall from Wednesday 18th November until Monday 23rd November. The fair will be open every morning (8.45-9.00) and afternoon (3.15-3.45). The school earns up to 60% commission in books on what we sell so the more you spend, the more books we earn for classes.

Maths Café



Parents from Years 1 and 2 attended our first Maths Café on Wednesday. Our subject leader for mathematics, Mrs Chukwudinma, talked about the new curriculum expectations, shared some of the methods that we use in school and provided some practical resources and activities for parents to take away to support their children at home. There are sessions on Wednesdays throughout the term for parents of pupils in other year groups. Later in the year, Maths café sessions will be for parents and pupils to enjoy some maths learning together at the start of the school day. Thank you to all of the parents who provided useful feedback at the end of the session.

"I'm so glad I came—it was very useful with lots of great ideas and tips."

"It was very informative. It was helpful to understand the methods taught in school as my children say, 'but that's not how my miss taught me to do it!'"

Schools' Shakespeare Festival

Well done to Joshua, Adanna, Ramona, Ashanti, Monet, Emani, Johnay & Paris from Year 6 for their fantastic performances in 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' at the Shaw Theatre in Euston. This was part of the national Schools' Shakespeare Festival and the production was in partnership with staff and pupils at Wyl School.