



COLLEGE PARK INFANT SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

February 2010

March will be a very busy month with our Spring Fayre, Sport Relief 2010 and our Music Week. We also look forward to talking to you about your child's progress at the Parent Evenings coming up soon. Such a lot to fit in before the Easter holidays!

SPRING FAYRE



Don't forget our Spring Fayre on Friday 12th March at 3.15pm. From stalls outside the classrooms we will be selling a range of Springtime and Easter goodies, including cakes and maybe even some little treats for Mothering Sunday! (This might be a great chance for dads to come along and help your child buy that special treat for all those special mums! We hope you will come along and support our Fayre and raise funds for our school.

CAN YOU HELP?

Thank you to the parents who have kindly offered some of their time to help us with time-saving tasks like laminating, preparing resources, filing work, etc.



If anyone else is able to offer an hour or two, perhaps just once a month, please speak to Mrs Lathem or your child's classteacher.

We would also welcome anyone who is able to be on a reserve list to help with swimming, with any class, at short notice.

PLEASE NOTE

You will have noticed that we are having some necessary work done on our school building above the school office. If you wish to go into the office please enter by the doors at the Year 1 end of the school. We apologise for any inconvenience while the work is being carried out.

MUSIC WEEK

Don't forget that this term's Curriculum Week will be during the week of Mon 22nd - Fri 26th March and is a Music Week.

Like previous successful curriculum weeks there will be lots of exciting events to make the children's learning more memorable and enjoyable including a variety of musical performances, workshops in Djembe drums, Boomwhackers, creating music from junk and, of course, lots of singing! We are sure that it will be a very lively and fun week and we will all learn lots about music.



SPORT RELIEF 2010

Friday 19th – Sun 21st March is Sport Relief 2010 and we will be supporting the appeal by inviting the children to come to school dressed in sportswear on Friday 19th March and bring a donation of £1 towards the appeal. During the day they will take part in some sporty activities, including a whole school Wake and Shake! We hope you will support this event.

WORLD BOOK DAY

World Book Day is on Thursday 4th March and the children will be receiving their book tokens on that day. These can be spent in book shops or why not come along to our **BOOK FAIR** in the Hall on Friday 5th March at 3.15pm to spend your token.

PLEASE REMEMBER

The school will be closed on **THURSDAY 1ST APRIL 2010** for staff in-service training. Therefore the children break up for the Easter holiday on Wednesday 30th March. The Summer Term starts on 19th April.

CLUBS

We are starting some new after-school clubs this half-term.

Unfortunately we had so few children in our Multi-skills club on Wednesdays that we have decided to cancel it at present. However we will be running a STREETDANCE club. This is open to both boys and girls from all year groups and will run on Wednesdays from 3.15 – 4.15pm. CHEERLEADING will be moving to Thursdays and in it's place on Tuesdays will be a GYMNASTICS club.

If your child is interested please look out for the letters that your child will be bringing home or pop into the school office for more information.

We also have vacancies in COMPUTER EXPLORERS on Tuesdays and YOGABUGS on Thursdays.

And we run waiting lists for all our other clubs. If you are interested please pop into the school office or see Mrs Lathem.

SWIMMING POOL LOTTERY

The lucky winners of the draw on 11th February 2010 were:

- 1st Harry Church 1S
- 2nd Finley Wilson 1R
- 3rd Maisy Slingsby 2L
- 4th Joshua Windebank 1B
- 5th Chloe Redford 1B
- 6th Joshua Harfield 1R
- 7th Katie Kelly 1R



Well done to you all.

Remember to keep your weekly payments up-to-date to have a chance on winning. The next draw will be during the week beginning 29th March 2010.

INSET DAYS 2009/10

Thursday 1st April 2010

Monday 7th June 2010

Monday 12th July 2010

FONES 4 SCHOOLS

This year we will again be supporting the Fones4Schools campaign to collect old mobile phones for recycling. Not only will this help reduce the number of phones going to landfills, but we can raise money and gain prizes for the school from the phones we collect. By sending in your old mobile phones your child can select prizes for themselves too. Look out for more information being sent out soon!



CLEAN CLASSROOM BEAR

Here are the classes who have earned the Bear this month:-

**Dragonflies
and
Lions**

Well done!



WAKE AND SHAKE

Wake and Shake will be going D-I-S-C-O throughout March. So why not come along and get fit (and groovy) each Wednesday morning at 8.35am?

Be there or be square!



Curriculum Highlights

This month children in Year R have been very excited about eggs! Firstly, the hatching of our chicks, and then the arrival of some large and mysterious eggs. The children have looked after them carefully whilst waiting eagerly for them to hatch. We were all very excited when baby dinosaurs finally hatched last week and Year R are now working hard to find out all about their particular dinosaur and they hope to put on a Dinosaur exhibition on Friday!

Year 1 hope that all the parents enjoyed the presentations they prepared for them before half-term. They particularly enjoyed showing the brilliant Country Dancing they had worked on.

Year 2 have completed their fantastic skateboards, which they have now taken home. They also worked hard writing their own alternative versions of the story 'Little Red Riding Hood'.



This month we congratulate those children who have

Beautiful Handwriting

Year R – Otilly Robinson, Isaac Bello, Blossom Lambe, Paige Hore, Sienna Gammans, Joe Moore, Scarlet Phipps and Ailbhe Hansler

Year 1 – Evie-Mae Tickner, Joshua Harfield, Joshua Windebank, Lia Breeze-Jones, Kayra Ugurel, Harry Church and Louis Stothard.

Year 2 – Alicia Robbins, Erin Rockett, Katy Boddy, Moosanna Abdul, Jack Osborne, Farzanna Miah and Finley Bello.



SNOW EVALUATION

Thank you for the fantastic response to our Snow Evaluation in January. We had a brilliant 53% response rate, and returns that included 2 or more siblings were only counted once, so the return rate is even higher! Almost half of the surveys had additional written comments, most praising the school's handling of the situation or acknowledging the texting service.



Texting service – More than 80% of parents were very supportive of the texting service informing them about the school closure and re-opening and it was commented on favourably in 35 responses, in addition to answering questions. Parents who did not receive texts for any reason have informed the school and we have been able to address this.

Opening and closing times – Over 92% of parents were positive about the later opening on the Monday and slightly later opening for the remainder of the week. 94% appreciated being able to collect their children as they arrived at the end of the day rather than wait in the cold and be able to avoid congestion on the gritted pathways or slippery pavements.

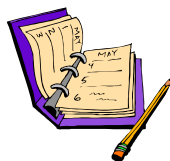
Communication – 95% of parents responding were favourable about the short Snow Update letters which the school issued daily that week to maintain clear channels of communication.

Safety – Over 92% of respondees felt that how the school promoted the care and safety of children, parents and staff was good or very good.

Some things we will consider for the future – Some working parents found the later opening times inconvenient and some mentioned the times differed with Lyndhurst Junior openings. Some parents said they would have helped clear the snow but having considered the this we felt the risks to parents outweighed the benefits on this occasion.

Thank you again for your feedback.

DIARY DATES



MARCH

Fri 12th March 3.15pm Spring Fayre
Mon 15th 3.30-5.30pm Parent-Teacher Consultations
Wed 17th 3.30-5.30pm Parent-Teacher Consultations
Mon 22nd-Fri 26th Music Week
Wed 31st End of Spring Term

APRIL

Thurs 1st SCHOOL CLOSURE
Mon 19th Start of Summer Term

Polite Person Awards



Poppy Peel

Alfie Penney

Callum Green Alfie Faithfull
Harrison Lane Poppy Spencer

Smiley Cups



Summer Wells

Archie Lennard

Trinity White Albie Mullings
Lewis Street Ruby O'Connor

Golden Leaves



In February Golden Leaves were awarded to:

Keira Whelan, Riley White, Bradley Buckley, Harvey Smith, Harry Church, Molly Pitcher, Oliver Graham, Kayra Ugurel, Finley Bello, the whole of Tigers class, the whole of Lions class, Cole Kirven-Walker, the whole of Butterflies class, Tyler Page, William Duke, Lilly-May Kirven, Joshua Diaper, Oliver Vorakhanh, Harry Rossie, Trinity White, Mridul Jain, Finley Flamson, Callum Bromfield, Darcie Wall, Kian Parry, Joe Dagnell, Abdul Islam, Radia Ali, Owen Wild, Kieran Norris, Eliesha Pettitt, Poppy Codling, Ryan Taylor, Katy Boddy, Ben Browne and Alicia Robbins.

Swimming achievements

Length: Harry Hamilton, Ellie Parsons

Water Skills 2: Danielle Harris, Ella-Bleu Meaney



The children earning themselves a Gingerbread Man this month are:

Year R: Charlie Allen, George Hamilton, Dylan Walsh, Garth Tolley, Beau Paffett, Lilly Eggett, Ashleigh Kingston, Shanice Cronin, Bethany Scammell, Emillia Walsh, Oliver Smith, Lucas Fisher, Harry Elam, Lewis Langdale, Emma Boddy, Roxie Simon, Otilly Robinson, Poppy Roche, Keira Whelan, Taylor Allen, Toby Conway, Aiden Riley, Isaac Bello, William Young, Kian Parry, Millie Reid, Summer Wells, Evie Smith, Lucy Smith, Emily Dowse, William Duke, Bradley Buckley, Rory Bevan, Nathan Cruickshank, Summer Brownlie, Joe Dagnell, Jared Tolley, Oliver Parker, Tilly Archer, Olivia East, Paige Hore, Tegan Cook, Archie Lennard, Gracie Dunford, Alyssa Horton, Mardia Tanzam.

Year 1: Louis Ballard, Joe Bartram, Lewis Brenchley, Ethan Crowhurst, Taylor Day, Samuel Daysh, Alfie Faithfull, Joshua Harfield, Jennifer Haskell, Joel Hollingsworth, Jefrina Irani, Lola Jewell, Katie Kelly, Chloe Knowles, Sydney Moore, Keira Murray, Keiran Norris, Coral Ormston, Ellie Parsons, Ryan Wall, Phoebe Wheatcroft, Finley Wilson, Kellie-Marie Wood, Mia Ashley, Danny Brown, Milly Barker, Byron Brookbank, Harry Church, Bradley Craig, Jude Davis, Melissa Gahagan, Tamzin Hampton, Teddy Hardy, Paige Hollett, Lucy Jackson, Millie Lovick, Jamie Luxford, Joel Matthews, Albie Mullings, Louise Newell, Kayleigh Penhall, Louis Stothard, Thomas Todd, Ebony Vallender, Keira Vine, Amelia Wall, Jacob Watson, Owen Wild, Sophie Wilson, Shannon Wise, Daisy Peel.

Year 2: Katy Boddy, Georgina Bone, Eden Gardener, Rhys Greenwood, Ruby O'Connor, Adam Thomas, Alfie Aarons, Joseph Bellinger, Freya Cookson, Jay Davies, Harry Fox, Madeleine Hawnt, Oliver Jafkins, Abbie Kimber, Cole Kirven-Walker, Harrison Lane, Sian Reeds, Danny Rex, Alicia Robbins, Erin Rockett, Jamie Russell, Mia Scannell, Connie Smith, Poppy Timmins, Darcie Wall, Harrison White, Megan Beck, Charlie Bell, Callum Bromfield, Ben Browne, Ruby Cunningham, Callum Erskine, Max Gale, Alana Griffiths, Rhylee Hansler, Danielle Harris, Ellie Hepburn, Sasha Howe-Haysome, Molly Leighton-Songhurst, Mia Matthews, Ella-Bleu Meaney, Jack Osborne, Rosie-Anna Robinson, Jasmine Rogers, Mia Rowlands, Owen Scogings, Poppy Spencer, Boe Weaver, William Wheatley, Sonny Campbell, Kodeh Sarr, George Hopwood, Sam Clarke, Alex Bleach, Allana McCracken, Erin Littlefield, Katie Church, Maisie Gardiner, Elle-Rose Hill, Leon Fisher, Finley Bello, Ryan Taylor, Lewis Marchant, Alfie Adelyi, Mridul Jain, Aisha Whelan, Jasmine Owen, Alana Scammell, Callum Mills, Finley Archer.

