



PRINCE OF WALES
PRIMARY SCHOOL & CHILDREN'S CENTRE



NEWSLETTER 3rd May 2013

Listening Excellence Achievement Respect Negotiate Enjoy Responsible Support

Dear Parents, Carers, Governors and Friends,

The improvement in the weather is having a positive effect on children's behaviour at break times. Being able to use the whole field allows for children to have space for their games. We have several lunchtime clubs that ensure purposeful activities take place and the Playleaders set up and supervise activities.

I hope that 5F's class assembly sends a strong message about being thoughtful to others, negotiating successfully when there are tensions between people and being a positive influence on each other. 5F re-enacted The Iron Man, portraying the emotions of the different characters through play, poetry, dance and slideshow, it was powerful to watch. What did your children learn from it?

Mr Jan M Bless
Headteacher



You are probably aware that we have provided your children with a free subscription to Reading Eggs or Reading Eggspress. We felt it was a worthwhile investment to support you at home with your children's learning. We looked at various options and felt this was the best online program. We know that some parents already used this at home with great results. Mr Bless can also speak from experience as this was *the* catalyst for his son, Edward, to really engage in his phonics and writing when he started Reception. Please allow your child time at home to use this program and supervise and support them. Contact your class teacher if you require help or information. We welcome any feedback.

Reading Eggs is a highly motivational, online program where children learn to read. It supports each child's learning by offering individual, one-to-one lessons that allow children to progress at their own rate. The program teaches pupils the key elements of phonemic awareness, phonics, sight words, vocabulary, fluency and comprehension. Using Reading Eggs ensures confident, fluent and independent readers by the end of KS1. With interactive animations, fun games, great songs and lots of rewards, learning to read with Reading Eggs is enjoyable as well as very rewarding.

Reading Eggspress is designed to build reading and comprehension skills, for students aged from 7-13. Using a highly engaging spinning island, children are instantly involved and interested. They explore a complete world with a wide variety of learning and fun experiences. The range of activities motivates students to return regularly to complete lessons, compete against others, earn more rewards and improve their skills. Learning to read is an important skill that students will continue to use for life. Reading Eggspress provides a unique learning environment where students' can improve their English language and comprehension skills in a way that is exciting and relevant.

Attendance this week

KS1

1C 96.00% 2R 98.33%
1M **98.62%** 2S 98.27%
1N 97.14%

KS2

3D 98.56% 4A 97.93% 5F **98.66%**
3F 94.82% 4K 96.52% 5G 94.33%
3W 90.28% 4U 98.62% 6B **98.66%**
6H 96.66%



Well done to 1M, 5F & 6B for best attendance this week.

School Target: 95%

Overall attendance since September: 94.8%

Maths Online Learning

Having found a good online learning program for English, we are now considering the same for Mathematics. Are you aware of a website that is motivating, checks children's understanding and helps them to learn through short, fun and relevant activities? Let us know. We are trialling sites but want to hear from you before making a final decision. Again we will meet the cost of subscriptions to support home learning.

Certificates - Golden Rule: We Listen

This week's role models for being good listeners are:

Louissette Bamfumu 1C, Lily Tyle-Rodgers 1M, Harley Hall 1N, Chimdi Oguejiofor 2R, Kayan Salih 2R, Leola Massey 2S, Yasmin Chaubi 3D, Abdullahi Abubakar 3F, Iqbal Ahmed 3W, Darrel Olorogun 4A, Ruby Turner 4K, Wiktorina Kulik 4U, Adem Maraslioglu 5F, Mehmet Nam 5G, Daniel Torkmani 6B, Libby Birkett 6H

Leaving

At the end of this half term we say goodbye to Gemma, who has been at our Children's Centre since it opened in 2009.

Gemma has been given an opportunity to take on new challenges at one of the other children's centres in the Borough, and although we are sad to see her leave we know that they will benefit from her knowledge and experience that she has gained in her current role. We wish her all the best in her new job and look forward to working with her collaboratively through the other centre. We would like to thank Gemma for enriching the lives of families, children and the community over the past years.

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Dates

06.05	May Bank Holiday (enjoy the sunshine)
07.05	Phonics Workshop for Y1 Parents at 2.15pm
13.05	Y6 National Test week
20.05	Assessment week
27.05 – 31.05	Half Term Break
12.07	End of Year Reports sent home
16.07	Parents' Evening
24.07	Staff Training (start Summer Break)



Being HONEST is about TRUST.
A good measure of honesty is doing the right thing,
especially when no-one else is looking.
Can you look yourself honestly in the mirror?