



# PRINCE OF WALES

PRIMARY SCHOOL & CHILDREN'S CENTRE



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*Listening Excellence Achievement Respect Negotiate Enjoy Responsible Support*

Dear Parents, Carers, Governors and Friends,

After a very busy first half term of fact finding and getting to know the culture at Prince of Wales I am looking forward to putting into place further strategies with all the staff that impact on your children's learning, progress and well-being. The Headteacher's Wednesday surgery was booked up and I hope the parents who attended found the time constructive and positive. Please contact the office to make an appointment.

This week we focussed on the value *RESPECT*; Respect for self, others and the environment around them. I am excited to announce that this week classes have started singing lessons with Alicia Gilbert who is an animateur. She will also start an after school choir.

Mr Jan M Bless  
Headteacher

### French Library session

All the French speaking children and parents were invited to a French speaking library session at our school on Tuesday. Anne Laure, a librarian, led the sessions. The children-ranging from the Reception class to year 6- were thrilled to hear some new stories in the home language.

### Prince of Wales Values *ENJOY* Half Term Competition results

Well done to the following children who participated in the Writing challenge about Enjoyment

Brooke	5F	Shaayiini	5F
Bianca	5F	Delal	5F
Oluwatoniloba	5F	Hande	5F
Aysun	5F	Ephriam	5F
Jemima	5F	Danny	5F
Shenel	5F	Esther	4K
Suzie	3D	Rennae	3F

### Maths Makes Sense – Parents' training

I inform you that Mike Amos, the consultant who provided the training for staff on Maths Makes Sense, is offering another chance for you to see him demonstrate MMS. Many of you will remember coming to his presentation in the round hall last year. We are offering the same again, and hope that parents who have not yet seen him, take the chance to come and see how their children are learning maths at our school, in order to be able to help them at home. It would be good if parents new to the school could attend this informative and interesting session. This will be on Tuesday, 13 November at 2 pm in the group learning room in Key Stage 2 part of the school, down the Y3 and Y4 corridor.

### Attendance w/c 5th November 2012

#### KS1

1C **99.13%**	2R 90.41%
1M 96.66%	2S 92.08%
1N 84.32%	

#### KS2

3D 97.41%	4A 92.85%	5F 98.27%
3F 94.16%	4K 97.22%	5G 97.32%
3W 96.87%	4U 97.50%	6B 97.50%
		6H **99.16%**



Whole School Attendance: 95.37% An improvement of 2.11%

School Target: 95%

Well done to 1C & 6H for best attendance this week.

## Successful parenting

I believe that, being a parent is a full time job; it is the *only* job that you have to work 24 hours a day and 365 days of the year. Parents are sometimes very successful but inevitably make mistakes, we can't get it all right all the time. The worst thing to do is ignore our children's mistakes or trying to cover them up. They will make mistakes, just like everyone else. Covering their mistakes will not help them under any circumstances. In this case, our role is to show them what they have done wrong and help them to find the best way to solve the matter. If we do this, the message we give them is, everybody make mistakes but the important thing is to learn from these mistakes. Of course this is true for us as well and children need to see that their role models don't always get it right but learn from them.

We experience many incidents in our school every day, as we do in any parts of our lives. In my opinion, the worst scene that a child can see is, parents fighting to cover their children's mistakes. In this case, these parents are not only affecting their children's but the children around them and watching them too. Remember, us as parents are the guides and their lives with rights and wrongs are their maps... so, let's give them their maps and guide them in right way so that they can reach their aims. This will help them shape their personality. I believe that, the lives we live in are the mould of our personality.

## TURKISH

Benim inancıma göre dünyadaki tam zamanlı işlerden biri ebeveyn olmaktır; günün 24 saati, yılın 365 günü durmaksızın çalışılan tek iş. Ebeveynler bu işi bazen büyük bir başarıyla yaparken, bazende hatalar yaparlar. Buna en iyi örnek, çocuğunun hatasını görmemek, yada hatasını kapatmaya çalışmaktır. Herkes gibi çocuklarımızda hata yapacaktır ve onların hatalarını örtbas etmek onlara hiçbir şekilde yarar sağlamaz. Çocuğumuzun hatasını gördüğümüz zaman yapmamız gereken tek şey yaptığı hatayı ve yarattığı sonuçları görüp, bunlardan ders alıp doğruyu bulmasına yardımcı olmaktır. Bunu yaptığımız takdirde çocuklarımız herkesin hata yapabileceğini ama önemli olan şeyin o hatalardan ders almak olduğunu öğrenmiş olurlar.

Okulumuzda hergün farklı bir olayla karşılaşırız, tıpkı hayatımızın her alanında olduğu gibi. Bana göre bir çocuğun şahit olabileceği en kötü sahnelerden biri ebeveynlerinin çocuklarının hatalarını kapatmak için kavga etmeleridir. Bu çocuklarda ciddi kişilik bozukluklarına neden olur. Burada çocuğa verilen tek mesaj, "*hatalıda olsan sen her zaman haklısın*" olur. Unutmayın bizler çocuklarımızın rehberleri ve yaşadıkları hayat tarzları ve tecrüleride onların yönlerini belirleyen haritalıdır. Onlara iyi birer rehber olup hayatlarında ulaşmak istedikleri yere en doğru şekilde ulaşabilmeleri için yardımcı olalım. Unutmayın, herkesin yaşadığı hayat kişiliğinin kalıbıdır. Biz onlara ne verirsek onu alırlar. Bu yüzden ne verdiğimiz dikkat edelim.

Ms Songul Pirbudak

## Building Works Updates

3 Form school expansion - Please come along on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November to view the design plans on display at the school from 3.30pm to 6.30pm. We ask you to consider whether the proposed changes will enhance opportunities for your children's learning and ask you to comment on these. We have also asked for a useful parents and community room to be added next to the kitchen and dining hall. Again your views on the practical use of this space is important regarding waiting to collect children after a club or educational visit as well as attending a training session there or simply meeting with other parents after dropping off children. From 19<sup>th</sup> November the entrance from Salisbury Road into the playground will no longer be through the Children Centre car park, but walk past the school office towards the school kitchen instead. There you will take your children through the old KS1 entrance. This will be clearly signposted for you. The reason for this temporary change is the exciting construction of a brand new multifunctional sports area that includes football, basketball and short tennis facilities.

## Dates

**13.11 Maths Makes Sense parents training**  
**14.11 3 Form Expansion Design Plans on display**  
20.11 School Disco for EYFS, Y3 and 4  
27.11 School Disco for Y1, 2, 5 and 6  
04.12 Parents' Information Evening:  
Children's levels and report cards explained;  
Food Tasting - New school menu  
21.12 – 04.01.2013 Christmas Break  
07.01 Staff training (School closed)  
08.01 Start Spring Term  
18.02 – 22.02 Half Term Break  
29.03 – 12.04 Easter Break  
06.05 May Bank Holiday  
27.05 – 31.05 Half term Break  
24.07 Staff training (start Summer Break)