PRINCE OF WALES



PRIMARY SCHOOL & CHILDREN'S CENTRE

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Dear Parents, Carers, Governors and Friends,

I am delighted to be able to send the newsletter in full colour; I hope you find that improves the reading experience especially when photos are included.

Next week our thoughts will be with Year 6 when they participate in the national test week. It is no coincidence that the Golden Rule we focus on is 'We Work Hard'. Please ensure children go to bed on time so that they are well rested on the day.

Thank you to 3D for their Class assembly where they demonstrated how they learned about the topic of Plants through a variety of subjects including poetry, music, science, drama and art. Well done!

Mr Jan M Bless Headteacher

Phonics Screening Test Workshop

This week we held two workshops for Key Stage 1 to inform parents about the Phonics screening test that will take place in June. This will be for all year 1 children and for some year 2 children who have not achieved the required pass mark. The test consists of 40 words, 20 real words and 20 alien or nonsense words. It is designed to assess children's phonic knowledge which is an important tool for their reading and writing skills. It will be administered individually and the results will be sent home at the end of the Summer Term.

The children are preparing for this test in class but please continue to hear them read on a daily basis and practice sounds and key words with them.

There are many websites that you can access to help your child to read alien words. We recommend www.phonicsplay.co.uk and www.leters-and-sounds.com. Both of these websites contain phonic games that the children can use to reinforce their phonic knowledge and reading skills.

Bina Thambiah Reading Recovery Teacher

Attendance this week

KS2 1C **99.58%** 2R 98.75%

3D 94.64% 4A **100.00%** 5F 96.25% 1M 96.55% 2S 96.66% 3F 97.84% 4K 96.12% 5G 95.41% 1N 94.19% 3W 92.59% 4U 97.84% 6B 99.58% 6H 98.33%

Well done to 1C & 4A for best attendance this week. School Target: 95%

Overall attendance since September: 94.8%



'Everyone Active Holiday Programme' - May Half Term

The sports development team are running some fun and active sessions over the May half term. From Tuesday 28th May until Friday 31st May you can attend sessions in Trampolining, Tennis, Horse riding, Archery and Dance.

For more information and to book your place please call the Sports Booking team on 0208 379 3762

School Travel Plan

On Friday 3rd May the upper school council, governors, the Friends of Prince of Wales and some staff met to have a school travel plan meeting which represented the children, staff, parents and school crossing patrol to make the surrounding area of the school safer. We discussed the problems that affect the school and residents and also suggested solutions that may be possible to reduce traffic in the school road. We think the meeting was a success and produced a good variety of ideas to contribute and to take back to school council.

Kia Reynolds (Chair of school council) and Amy Roberts (Secretary)

Currently we have a fantastic school council who are full of ideas to contribute and expand on current ideas. 23% of the children come to school by car and we need to reduce this down to 10%. If you live within a mile from the school we strongly urge you to walk to school instead of drive. The Friends of Prince of Wales will be actively encouraging safety around the local area. Starting with Walk to School Week from Monday 20th to Friday 24th May just before half term. Miss Neyland

Certificates - Golden Rule: We are Honest

This week's role models for being *honest* are:

Christian Hood 1C, Kaira Paupiah 1M, Leila Rivet-Leigertwood 1N, Renas Nam 2R, Kennedy Nwaokedi 2S, Baran Sevimli 3D, Deniz Timur 3F, Alex Principato 3W, Joseph Kiggundu 4A, Danielle Bevan 4K, Shraya Devchand 4U, Bianca Siminea 5F, Katie Best 5G, Amy Roberts 6B, Hazal Kisa 6H



School travel Plan meeting

Dates

13.05	Y6 National Test week
20.05	Assessment week
27.05 – 31.05	Half Term Break
12 07	End of Year Reports sen

12.07 End of Year Reports sent home

16.07 Parents' Evening

24.07 Staff Training (start Summer Break)

