PRINCE OF WALES



PRIMARY SCHOOL & CHILDREN'S CENTRE



NEWSLETTER 13th February 2015

Listening Excellence Attitude Respect Negotiate Enjoy Responsible Support

Dear Parents, Governors and Friends,

OFSTED inspected the Chidren's Centre Daycare provision on Thursday. We look forward to the report that will be published in about 4 weeks. We have also been informed that the CC community provision is being inspected next Monday to Wednesday.

The Year 5 residential visit to FairPlay House this week went as we expected. The Centre staff were full of praise at the way our pupils tackled new challenges and got stuck in. They have done us proud. Many thanks to the staff who gave up their own time to look after them.

The LEARNERS mottos are beginning to come in. Please continue sending in your ideas.

This short half term has already come to an end. We hope that you and your children have a good break.

If you celebrate Chinese New Year on Friday 19th February: Gong Xi Fat Chai.

Mr Jan M Bless - Headteacher



Would you like to **join our team of dedicated Reading Support Staff?** Are you able to commit to two hours each day to help improve children's reading across the school? Training will be provided. If you are interested please collect an application form from the school office and return by Friday 27th February. If you would like further details please speak to Ms Paddon.

Our Values for this month are CURIOSITY

Through school assemblies and class discussions, the children are exploring their curiosity about extra-curricular sports, clubs or teams. As half term approaches, the children are thinking about the role of having a 'hobby' outside of school. The children considered what they would like to do as a hobby. How can they start to develop that hobby during half term? The children have thought about how having a hobby outside of school can be a healthy balance to academic work. Their curiosity about their chosen club/sport/hobby will also teach them about the values of creativity and good sportsmanship too.

Mrs Stylli - PSHE, P4C and Values Co-ordinator

Values for this Month: CURIOSITY

These children received a certificate for demonstrating curiosity at Prince of Wales this week, well done: Scarlett 1A, Yusuf 1K, Asia-Sierra 1S, Mei-Lien 2M, Hasan 2Ri, Toni 2Ru, Malique 3D, Samir 3F, Artin 3G, Elijah 4H, Sara 4S, Polat 5G, Emir 5L, Havin 5N, Yasangi 6A, Myah 6B and Denis 6H.

Our school admin staff are there to help with your queries. However, please be advised that the school foyer is not a place where you can wait for children at the end of the day or until a practice or a club has finished. We also ask that no food is consumed there.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Attendance this week

Years 1,2,3 Family

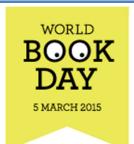
Years 4,5,6 Families

1A 88.33% 2M 93.67% 3D 94.00% 4H 97.24% 5G 91.11% 6A 93.45% 1K 88.00% 2Ri 88.97% 3F 92.67% 4S 93.67% 5L 99.26% * 6B 96.43% 1S 95.56% 2Ru 97.00%* 3G 97.00%* 5N 95.56% 6H 92.91%

> Well done to **2Ru**, **3G** & **5L** for best attendance this week. School Target: 95.5%

Overall attendance since September: 94.28%





World Book Day - March 5

This year World Book Day will be celebrated on Thursday 5 March. We are inviting all of the children to come dressed as a character from a book they have read.

Please discuss this with your child over half term and start thinking about your costume.

Seeing one another dressed as book characters will create an interest in familiar and new characters. Hopefully it will encourage children to read more and enjoy their books.

Reception children will participate in a workshop about the Magic Wallpaper and there will be a Book Swap for children in year 1-6. It is an opportunity to sort through books you have finished with and would like to swap for new books.

Year 3 have all visited the new library in Ordnance Road. Have you been there yet with your children?

Enjoy your reading over the holidays.

<u>06.02 – 11.02 Awards</u>



 1st
 4S
 10 class awards

 2nd
 6H
 6 class awards

 3rd
 4H
 4 class awards

Pupils with most points this week:

4 S	Emily Srikantha	7290points
4H	Darnell Bailey	6758 points
4H	Jemima Diabua	5412 points
4H	Emin Dari	3813 points
3D	Dhenuka Laventhira	3923 points
5L	Abigail Esalo Etombo	3381 points
6H	Lleyton Niangoni	3100 points



STARS AWARD 2014

Following our success last year, we gained another Gold Award for Sustainable Travel: Active Responsible Safe in recognition our many initiatives and achievements. We thank Barbara Neyland for continuing to champion this in our school community.

Debating

For the past two weeks Prince of Wales Year 5 children had the honour of representing the school in the Gillbert iDebate that was hosted at Honilands Primary School. They were debating the motion "This House believes that 12 year olds should be allowed to vote", and the debate involved children from primary schools across the borough. The debate was initially open to our year 6 pupils, but due to a very full schedule the year 6 children were not able to participate. So in an effort to enrich, encourage and stretch our learners here at POW we gained the permission to involve our year 5's, who rose to the challenge magnificently! The level of debate was very high, and children had the opportunity to express their thoughts and challenge the opinions of the other children and adults who were in attendance.

The debate facilitator John Gilbert spoke very highly about the confidence, level of pupil speaking and engagement of our year 5 children on a number of occasions. Our year 5's represented their school and their families in

exemplary fashion.

A proud day for us all.

Robert Campbell – Lead Learning Mentor

Dates for your diary Values for Month of January: Curiosity

MATHLETICS

Monday 16th – Friday 20th February Monday 23rd February

Thursday 5th March

Monday 30th March – Friday 10th April

Monday 13th April Wednesday 15th April Monday 4th May 2015 Monday 11th – Friday 15th May

Monday 25th – Friday 29th May

Monday 1st June Tuesday 2nd June

Friday 24th July

Spring Half Term Holidays – school closed 1 week

Start Spring 2 term - school open

World Book Day – dress up as a book character

Easter Holidays – school closed Start Summer 1 Term – school open Individual and Sibling School Photos May Bank Holiday – school closed

Y6 Test week

Summer Half Term Holidays

Staff Training Day - school closed

Start Summer 2 term

End of 2014-2015 Academic Year – school closes at 1:30 pm



Reading Eggs Usage:

1st 2Ri 1409 2nd 1S 1367 3rd 3G 1210

Reading Eggspress:

1st 6B 2099 2nd 6A 1863 3rd 4H 1792

Next time: who has made the most progress in usage?