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PRIMARY SCHOOL & CHILDREN'S CENTRE



NEWSLETTER 23rd November 2012

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Dear Parents, Carers, Governors and Friends,

During this anti-bullying week children had the opportunity to think about how we use our LEARNERS values to stop bullying; how we are all responsible for ourselves and what to do to help others. Children are encouraged to report any incidents of behaviour to an adult in school so that issues can be resolved quickly and effectively. If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to raise them with a member of staff.

I was pleased to see that the reading workshop today was well attended by many parents. Reading with your child, daily if possible, and having quality time with your child to talk about the book is an essential part of their learning. I look forward to this moment in the evening with my own children. My daughter who is in Year 6 is currently reading Watership Down, a challenging book that encourages us to think carefully about complicated words and the plot of the story. We often have to find the meaning by 'reading between the lines'.

Mr Jan M Bless Headteacher

Friendship

Being friendly is the most important value children learn and which they should demonstrate throughout their lives. It has been the focus this week at school. We understand that friendship can be a challenge between some children, however <u>friendliness</u> is the first rule in any interaction between children and adults at all times.

Mohammed Ali expressed this value when he said: "Friendship... is not something you learn in school. But if you haven't learned the meaning of friendship, you really haven't learned anything."

I hope that our children see friendly behaviour all around them as demonstrated by family and friends especially in situations when this value is challenged. Responding appropriately in front of your child helps them learn this skill sooner and builds resilience to choose to be friendly each and every time.

Next week we will look at Equality.

Children in Need

Nursery and Reception classes raised £141.40 for Children in Need last week. The children enjoyed their pyjama-antics. Thank you for your generous donations and joining in.

Tuesday 20th November we had a 'Glow in the Dark Disco' which we all really enjoyed. The music was fabulous, the prices for the sweets and bracelets were really good, but most of all we would like to say a huge thank you to Miss Neyland for organising the glow in the dark disco.

By Nina and Shraya - 4U

Attendance w/c 19th November

 KS1
 KS2

 1C 98.27%
 2R 95.00%
 3D 97.58%
 4A 98.21%
 5F 94.13%

 1M 92.66%
 2S **98.66%**
 3F 94.66%
 4K 93.92%
 5G 96.78%

 1N 95.33%
 3W 94.64%
 4U 92.33%
 6B **98.66%**

 6H 96.00%

Whole School Attendance: 95.78% An improvement of 0.53%

School Target: 95% Well done to 2S & 6B for best attendance this week.

Tag Rugby

On Thursday 22nd 8 Y6 children went to a tag rugby match at Lea Valley High School. We competed against Eastfield and Chesterfield A and B teams. We won against Eastfield and the B-team. Our passing was a strength and we finished these with 6 tries in total. It was a real team effort. Well done to Chesterfield A-team, who we aim to beat next time when we have improved our skills and tactics. Thank you to Mr Wallace for arranging the training and matches.

Harry, Darren and Toni

Island Brains

Tutoring Programme in the Island

In an effort to help children study after school, we're happy to announce our inaugural Island Brains club. We're aware that students face challenges every day in the classroom, and it's tough being the parents making sure they finish and understand the homework given by their teachers. These challenges are real, and can't be overcome without action. Don't worry, we are here to help. It's that simple.

It's with this in mind that we've recruited the finest tutoring specialists, to kick off this program. They have many years of experience between them, their specialties residing in English and Math. All our tutors are qualified and CRB checked.

Come in for a free academic assessment and planning.

Address: Enfield Island Village Community Centre, 40-42 Island Centre Way, EN3 6GS



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Maths & English



What do your child's school levels mean?

It is quite confusing to understand how well your child is doing at school. What is age expected? Is my child making enough progress in reading, writing and maths? Come on Tuesday 4th December to find out more (time to be confirmed). We will also explain the new style report cards that children will take home prior to the Parents' Evening the following week on Tuesday 11th December when you get the opportunity for a one to one meeting with your child's teacher.

Dates

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

11.12 Parents evening for all classes

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)