Betty Layward School

WEEKLY COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

What a brilliant start to the week with our Wow Day. Thank you for supporting us with this. It was a great day. I am also been really impressed by all the children's projects and how hard they have worked. Thank you for supporting these at home.

Anne Canning, the Acting Group Director of Children, Adults and Community Health for Hackney, visited us this week and our class ambassadors greeted her and told her what they were learning. She was very impressed with how engaged our children are with their learning and how happy they are. They are constantly impressing me.

It is Children in Need next Friday and we had a suggestion from one of our pupils on how to raise money for such a good cause. Please can all children (and adults if you volunteering or helping) wear woolly hats for the day. We will have Children in Need donation bowls out and you may donate as much or as little as you like. We look forward to seeing everyone in their woolly hats.

We hope you are finding our new board outside helpful. We will update it every Monday with what is happening that week.

Please remember the Quiz night next Friday. Thanks to the PTFA for organising, what I hear, is a great evening. I am also looking forward to the Winter Fair on Saturday 10th December. If you are able to help please let one of us know. It can only happen if we have enough volunteers and it would be great to see you there. Have a great weekend.

Jessica Headteacher





Picture of Year 5 attending the London Buddhist Centre

News

Recently we applied for the Sainsbury's School Games Programme Award. We are very pleased to share that Betty Layward has retained the GOLD Award for the second year in a row! This reflects the provision of PE, school sport and competition in the school and validates the PE taught at Betty Layward is of a high standard. OfSTED can use the Mark award as part of their inspection framework, in the future. Thank you to everyone involved in PE, especially Simon Khodabukus who is incredibly committed to his role and ensures the children at Betty Layward compete in so many competitions! Salwa Ghanem, PE Coordinator.

Awards

The winner of the best punctuality trophy for this week are:Year 3 The winner of the best attendance trophy for this week is: Year 6 Chilli

Whole school attendance from 5 September until 11th November is 97.1%



picture of our Stars of the Week

SPORTS NEWS



Last weekend I went to represent London Gymnastics at the Men's Artistic National Elite Grade Final in Birmingham. There were nine teams from around the UK and London came third earning us a bronze medal. We did six pieces which were high bar, parallel bars, rings, floor, vault and pommel horse. We also did physical and artistic preparation programs as well. I am very proud of myself and my team. Now I am back to training at North East London Gymnastics club also known as the Cube. By Sasha Dobrynin- Lait (4 Cerise)

Delivering Our Vision

Curious: Year 5 on their trip to the London

Buddhist Centre

Creative: The children starting to create our new

scooter mural

Ambitious: Children contribution to assemblies Respectful: Our 2 minute silence at 11am today

Happy: Children getting golds for good

behaviour

Next Week's Menu

All meat served at Betty Layward in school dinners is halal. Monday

BBQ Chicken

Sweet potato and chickpea curry

Rice, corn on the cob

Victoria vanilla sponge with strawberry jam

Yoghurt

Tuesday

Beef sausages with red onion gravy

Veggie sausages

Mashed potato, carrot and peas

Fresh fruit platter or yoghurt

Wednesday

Chicken with aubergine and olives in a tomato sauce

Lentil and butternut squash tagine

Cous cous

Jacket potato half

Green beans

Fresh fruit salad and Yoghurt

Thursday

Beef and red pepper stir fry

Vegetable stir fry

Noodles

Mixed chef salad

Jacket potato with baked beans or tuna

Oat cookies

Friday

Fish and Chip Friday

Breaded cod & chips

Vegetarian pizza on whole meal base

New potato salad

Mushy peas

Jacket potato with cheese and tuna

Cinnamon rice pudding

DATES FOR CLASS ASSEMBLIES FOR 2016-17

Year 5 Buttercup Thursday 17th November at 9.15am

Year 4 Cerise Thursday 1st December at 9.15am

Year 2 Apricot Thursday 8th December at 10.20am

Year 6 Ruby Thursday 15th December at 9.15am

Year 3 Emerald Thursday 19th January at 9.15am

Year 2 Peach Thursday 26^{th} January at 10.20am

Year 1 Violet Thursday 9th February at 10.20am

Year 5 Saffron Thursday 9th March at 9.15am

Year 4 Fuchsia Thursday 23rd March at 9.15am

Year 1 Lavender Thursday 30^{th} March at 10.20am

Reception Ocean Thursday 4th May at 10.20am

Reception Aqua Thursday 25th May at 10.20am

Flu Nasal Spray for Years 1, 2 & 3

Vaccination UK will be attending school on Friday 18th November to give flu nasal spray for Years 1, 2 & 3

Parent Workshops for Years 1-6

Parent workshop on Wednesday November 23rd 3:30-4:15 on Addition and Subtraction through Primary school: how we teach for mastery

Parent workshop on Thursday December 8th 3:30-4:15 - Multiplication and Division through Primary school on how we teach for mastery



Greeting PTFAers

Hope you all had a superb half term

QUIZ NIGHT 18th November 7.30 -10.30

The night of the year is almost here! A fantastic fun night for parents and teachers.

Get your teams together or join a team on the night. It is a great night and real BL experience!

Massive thanks to Quiz Queens extraordinaire Janey, Alie and Jaqui for being ace organsiers! Tickets now are Sold Out! But if you want to get on the reserve list, please email janeyseymour@hotmail.com

WINTER FAIR 10th December 12.30 – 3pm

Thanks to everyone that came to the Winter Fair meeting earlier in the week. It will be an ace Xmas extravaganza. If you can help out with the planning or if you fancy running a specific stall or activity please do let us know.

The more people to get actively involved in the planning and running of this brilliant event. The better the fair! So if you fancy being an ace Winter Fair General or Yuletide Lieutenant please do let us know and email us

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Dates for your diary

Winter Fair 10th December

Quiz Night 18th November

Cake Sale DATES

Fri 18th Nov - Y2 and Y6

Fri 2nd Dec - Nursery and Y3

The Giving Machine

The Giving Machine helps us raise money for our school. Anybody who shops on-line can help us raise money for Betty Layward simply by registering and then clicking through to their preferred retailer via The Giving Machine and shopping as normal. Doesn't cost a penny but raises money for the PTFA and our school.

Here's the link so please do give it a go.

http://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk/beneficiary.php?ben_id=62956

PTFA Facebook Page

The PTFA has its own Facebook page. To keep up to speed with PTFA events, cake sales, Fairs, BBQ's and other useful info including whether hamsters or rats are good pets, please do join and enjoy.

For more info on the PTFA and what we do, check out our section on the school website or catch any of us in the yard

Have a fantastic weekend.

Adam and Andy

Mindfulness

Children have so many opportunities to use electronics which is great but it can have it downsides. Encouraging and engaging in exercise with your child can be a good way to counteract the effects of the screen and share some time together. When they understand that you take time to care for your body and stay healthy it encourages them as well.... For the next few weeks we will share a stretch for you to try out together. Enjoy!

Stretch of the Week!

Planking

Put your elbows on the floor, lift your knees off the floor and raise up on the tips of your toes, and keep your back straight and your abs tight in a line. Hold that position as long as you can. 30 seconds is pretty good if your kids can hold it that long.