

# Betty Layward School

## WEEKLY COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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### Our Week

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a good start to the new year and the new term. The Wow days were great and the children seemed to really enjoy them. Year 5 visited the Science Museum and were fantastically behaved when the fire alarm went off and they had to evacuate the building. Year 2 were also fantastic when they tried hard to get to the zoo on Monday. The tube strike meant buses were too full and the children had to turn back. When I chatted to them they understood and are really looking forward to going another time.

We are now having a longer assembly on Mondays. Reception to Year 6 will be coming together every Monday morning with myself, Mel McHugh and Barney. We will have time to discuss any whole school topics and do lots of music and singing. Children can also present a child led assembly if they wish to during this time. It's a great way to start the week.

Please can I remind you that we don't have dogs on the school site or tied to any gates/fences as we have some children who are frightened of them and we don't want them worrying about coming to school. Thank you for supporting us with this.

The weather has turned cold so we are encouraging children to bring warm coats to school. Please could you ensure they are labelled. We are reminding the children to be responsible for their own items so they do not need to enter the building to go back and collect anything. Thank you.

Thank you for supporting the topic homework. I am very impressed with the fantastic work the children have produced. They are also very enthusiastic to talk about their work. It's lovely to see them so proud.

Have a great weekend and keep warm.

Jessica  
Headteacher



(Jessica drawn by Kayden in Year 2 Apricot)

### News

#### OLÉ! STAFF ENJOYING A SPANISH LESSON



Teaching staff became students this week learning and practising Spanish. Find out how well we did by encouraging your child/children to test them with their own Spanish! Maybe they could start with *Hola, ¿qué tal?* Or *Buenos días, ¿cómo estás?*

### Awards

The winner of the best punctuality trophy for this week is:  
Year 3 Jade

The winner of the best attendance trophy for this week is:  
Year 5 Saffron

Whole school attendance from 5 September until 13<sup>th</sup> January is 96.3%

#### STARS OF THE WEEK



**Curious:** Year 6 were curious to solve the crime on WOW day

**Creative:** Year 5 created stop motion films from their space art

**Ambitious:** Making igloos from marshmallows in Year 3

**Respectful:** KS2 learning to be good citizens

**Happy:** Being kind to each other made us all smile in our KS2 assembly

### Next Week's Menu

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

#### Monday

Beef curry

Vegetable and Chickpea curry

Jacket potato with choice of fillings

Fresh fruit platter or yoghurt

#### Tuesday

Lentil soup with a bread roll

Jacket potato with choice of fillings

Chocolate cake with chocolate custard

#### Wednesday

Beef Bolognese with spaghetti

Quorn Bolognese

Jacket potatoes with tuna

Pineapple cake

Wholemeal bread

Fresh fruit salad

#### Thursday

Fish Fingers

Mashed potatoes

Veggie Burger

Strawberry & banana smoothie

With shortbread biscuit

Broccoli & Leeks

Fresh fruit platter

#### Friday

Fajita Friday

Tortilla, chicken, salsa, salad and cheese

Coleslaw

Jacket Potatoes

Fresh fruit platter

**A salad bar & fresh fruit selection is available every day**

**Food in 'red' is gluten free.**

Please use the link below to see the full menu:

<http://bettylayward.hackney.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2014/09/Betty-Layward-Primary-School-Lunch-Menu-Autumn-2-2016.pdf>

### DATES FOR CLASS ASSEMBLIES FOR 2016-17

Year 3 Emerald Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> January at 9.15am

Year 2 Peach Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January at 10.20am

Year 1 Violet Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> February at 10.20am

Year 5 Saffron Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March at 9.15am

Year 4 Fuchsia Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> March at 9.15am

Year 1 Lavender Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March at 10.20am

Reception Ocean Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May at 10.20am

Reception Aqua Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May at 10.20am

Happy New Year PTFA ers

Hope you're all well and have had a fantastic and relaxing Christmas break.

There will be loads going on this year including a Jumble Sale, Summer Fair, Cake Sales and of course our amazing BBQ. All dates will be confirmed over the next few weeks. If you fancy helping organize and run any of these ace events please do let us know, we can't run them with you!

We are all part of the PTFA, and if you'd like to create and organise a new event, please do email

[adam.roland@heavyweightsports.co.uk](mailto:adam.roland@heavyweightsports.co.uk) or catch us in the school yard and we can help you plan it, mobilise troops and give you loads of support.

### PTFA AGM

We hold at least one PTFA meet each term, these meets help us plan events, discuss new fundraising events and look at new opportunities. We'll confirm when the next meet is over the next week or so, everyone is welcome to attend!

### 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](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, Summer Fairs, BBQ's and other useful info including whether Hamsters are good pets, please do join and enjoy.

Wrap up warm, have a great weekend and again Happy New Year.