

Betty Layward School

WEEKLY COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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Our Week

No 370, Friday 23rd February 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you had a good half term. It's lovely to see everyone back. We have some great things coming up - it's Wow day on Monday and 1st March it's world book day. Children can dress up as any book character and the theme is 'Unlikely Heroes'. I'm really looking forward to seeing all the costumes. I'm also really looking forward to seeing all the classes mixed up and working together. It's lovely that they get the opportunity to work across all year groups.

Please remember it's Parent's evening on Thursday 8th March. More details are included in this newsletter and school closes at 1:45pm. We encourage your child to attend the meeting with you as it's important that they hear what their teacher is telling you.

We have had some entries to the Variety show. We are looking forward to seeing it. It's a great opportunity for children to show off their talents and develop their confidence by performing in front of others.

Sports Relief is on 23rd March and all the children will be doing the mile run and a new sports activity during that week. We are looking forward to it.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes

Jessica
Headteacher



Jessica drawn by Lottie in Year 1 Violet

News

PARENTS EVENING:

On Thursday 8th March we will be having our Spring Term Parents Evening. School will finish at 1:45pm that day, and there will be no clubs (ACC will still be running from 1:45pm). The meetings last a maximum of ten minutes, starting from 2:00pm until 7:30pm. A crèche is available for younger children, but we encourage children to be in the meetings with their teachers and parents. A reminder that we only have time for one meeting per child on the day. To book a place please visit:

<https://www.schoolinterviews.co.uk/code>

CODE: 7pm38

Bookings will open at 5:00pm on Monday 26th February and close at 5:00pm Tuesday 6th March.

We look forward to seeing you there.

 Reception-Year 6
PARENTS EVENING

Thursday 8th March 2018 2:00pm
(School Closes 1:45pm)

You can book interviews at times that suit your family best.
Go to <https://www.schoolinterviews.co.uk/code> and follow these simple instructions:

1. Enter your details
2. Choose teachers
3. Choose times

The school event code is: 7pm38

BOOKINGS OPEN: 5:00pm Monday 26th February
BOOKINGS CLOSE: 5:00pm Tuesday 6th March
Due to time constraints, only one appointment is possible per student - if additional meetings are necessary, please arrange another date with your child's teacher.

Science Competition Winners



On Wednesday 21st February 2018, Martina, Leo S, Jack and Freja from year 6 attended a science competition at Forest School. The children completed 3 experiments that focused on chemistry, electricity and biology. At the end of the competition, there was an awards ceremony - and the Betty Layward team won first place! There were 23 schools in total in the competition, and this was the first time BL has entered. All of the school community are incredibly proud of the achievements of these four young scientists! **Jason Stuart - Year 6 Teacher**

Curious- the Nursery children printing with Kelly.
Creative - Tommy and Stan and their Year 3 Arctic eBooks (see the website).
Ambitious - the Year 6 children winning the Science competition this week. Well done. Great work.
Respectful- the children's manners around the school; holding the door open and saying good morning.
Happy- the Reception children playing in their new doctor's surgery.

Awards

The winners of the best punctuality trophy for this week are Year 4 Fuchsia and Year 4 Cerise with no late marks.
 The winner of the best attendance trophy for this week is Year 2 Apricot.
 Whole school attendance from 4 September until 23rd February 2018 is 96.7%.



Picture of our Star of the Week children

Next Week's Menu

Monday

Mild tandoori chicken with mint yoghurt and mango chutney (Su, Mk, Mu)
 Chunky vegetable with halloumi filled pitta (G, Mk, Mu)
 Sweetcorn & Green beans
 Eves pudding with custard (G, Mk, E)

Tuesday

Chinese turkey stir fry with noodles (G, E)
 Quorn and vegetable stir fry with noodles (G, E, So)
 Carrots, Chinese leaf with chilli and soy sauce (So)
 Spiced carrot cake with orange cream cheese frosting (G, E, Mk)

Wednesday

Roasted beef with Yorkshire pudding and gravy (G)
 Leek and parmesan risotto (Ce, Mk, Su)
 Roasted potatoes, spring cabbage & broccoli
 Apricot pie with cream (G, Mk)

Thursday

BBQ chicken pizza (Ce, So, Mk, G)
 Cheese and tomato pizza (G, Mk)
 Carrots & green beans
 Flapjack (G, Mk)

Friday

Baked fish fingers (G, F)
 Chunky tomato and basil wholemeal pasta (G, Su, Ce)
 Baked oven chips, baked beans and peas
 Double chocolate sponge and custard (G, E, Mk)
(Please refer to the menu for the allergy key)

CLASS ASSEMBLIES

Thursday 1/3 at 9.15 – Year 6 Chilli Class Assembly
 Thursday 8/3 at 9.15am – Year 5 Buttercup Class Assembly
 Thursday 22/3 at 9.15am – Year 4 Cerise Class Assembly
 Thursday 29/3 at 9.15am – Year 1 Violet Class Assembly
 Thursday 3/5 at 9.15am – Reception Aqua Class Assembly
 Thursday 24/5 at 9.15am – Reception Ocean Class Assembly

Welcome back PTFAers,

We hope you all had a lovely break and are ready to the last bit of the cold term!

We look forward to working together with you and if you have any new ideas for contributing to PTFA events or fund-raising activities please forward them to Helen (aitech.pea@blueyonder.co.uk) or Marta (martaalonsopola@gmail.com).

JUMBLE SALE - 17th March

The jumble sale is taking place on March 17th (11.00-1.30), so please do save the date. If you have toys, clothes, books, etc that you would like to donate, you can bring these in from Monday 12 March. At the moment, we're looking for volunteers to help sort the donations on Friday 16 March. If you would like to get involved or have any questions, please get in touch with Fleur and Jenny on fleurburnett@yahoo.co.uk / j.soderstrom@live.com.

More info will follow next week!

BAKE FOR BOOKS

Warm up those ovens... the remaining cake sale dates are:
 Fri 2 March Nursery & Y4 Fri 23 March

Every penny from the sales since September has been put aside to buy new books for both classroom reading and for our school library – The PTFA funds recently invested in new library books and reading books for KS2, so thanks everybody for your sweet efforts!

THE GIVING MACHINE

This is pure profit, people, please check it out! We have accrued £66 from just a few people making their online purchases via this platform and there is a lot more potential here. Simply register on the site and click through to your preferred retailer to shop as normal. Doesn't cost you a penny but does raise money for our children:

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

SPORTS NEWS



On Wednesday 31st January 2018, the Betty Layward cross country team competed in the Hackney Cross Country League, race 3 at Hackney Downs Park. It didn't take us that long to get there as the race started at 2pm. There were about 200 children there and over 15 schools taking part. Even though the weather was really cold, Betty Layward did really well especially with Martina coming 1st and Rosa coming 2nd in the Girls race.

By Kaiyan Awojobi- Perina (5 Buttercup) (photo on the left)

On Thursday 15th February 2018, 8 girls from the Betty Layward football team went on an exciting trip to Wembley stadium due to the fact that they won a tough tournament at Mabley Green. It was a fantastic experience that we will never forget, enjoyed by both adults and children. During the tour of the stadium we saw the changing rooms and t-shirts bearing the names of successful players. Also we went pitch-side and sat in the royal box.

A special thanks to year 6 chilli class teacher Jason, for kindly taking us to Wembley in his spare time. Another special thanks is for the Hackney Sports Unit. Last but certainly not least Simon who has helped us to reach success, you are all heroes.

Thank you from all the girls in the football team. By Elsa Downie, Immy McCabe (5 Buttercup) & Ava Marter (6 Chilli) (photo on the right)

On Thursday 22nd February 2018, Betty Layward took part in a boys football tournament at Queensbridge Sports Centre. We played 4 matches, twice against St Mary's and Benthall, drawing all of our games 0-0. We all played our best and we had lots of fun. **By Atticus Endean and Daniel Linehan (6 Chilli)**