

# Betty Layward School

## WEEKLY COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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### Our Week

No 407, Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you had a lovely half term. It's lovely seeing all the children back. We have a busy term coming up and an extra busy week next week with Wow day and World Book Day. Please do not go out of your way to spend money on costumes. Creative home items will do. We will look forward to seeing the children dressed as a book character. Also, could children bring in their favourite picture book for World Book Day. Thank you for supporting us with this.

I am so impressed with the enthusiasm and generosity around project playground. It is amazing. We have raised over £4000 in a very short time. Manon and Rosie in Year 5 raised £19.60 by selling lemonade in their Street, please see photograph opposite. I know we can do this. The children are really keen to raise money for it too and we are asking them to start collecting 20ps. We ask that the children collect 20ps at home for maybe doing jobs etc. We then announce a day around June time when we ask the children to bring them in and the class with the most 20ps wins £20 to spend as they choose. This is an easy and great fundraising opportunity and all proceeds will be going to project playground. Thank you to those of you who have donated and please pass our thanks on if a family member or a friend donated too. It is much appreciated. Thank you to those of you who are running the Hackney Half Marathon in aid of this too. We are very grateful. It is such a privilege to work alongside such committed and dedicated parents and carers. Thank you.

The weather has got warmer (this might not last though) and we ask that all children bring a water bottle to school. We will be trying to get rid of plastic cups in the classroom so it is essential they bring one to school. Thank you for supporting this.

As you know we have started talk homework. Please discuss this over the weekend at home. The theme this week is 'if you had one wish it would be.....'

Have a lovely weekend and please remember it's the jumble sale next weekend. I look forward to seeing you there.

Jessica  
Headteacher



Jessica drawn by Juno in Reception Aqua

### News

## Donna - Winner of the School Crossing Patrol Officer of the Year



I would like to say a great big thank you to all the children who gave me so many wonderful messages which I received when I was presented with the SCPO of the Year Award last week.

**Donna Thorpe, SCPO**

## PROJECT PLAYGROUND FUNDRAISING



Manon and Rosie from Year 5 raised money during half term for Project Playground

### Awards

The winners of the best punctuality trophy for this week is Y5 Buttercup with no late marks.

The winner of the best attendance trophy for this week is Year 2 Apricot with 100% attendance.

Whole school attendance from 3 September until 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019 is 96.3%.



Picture of our Star of the Week Children

**Curious** – Y5 exploring Kew Gardens during their trip today.

**Creative** – Year 4 working with the Young Dissenters Music Project.

**Ambitious** – Y5 competing in the Dodgeball competition.

**Respectful** – Our Y6 class ambassadors showing our prospective parents around the school.

**Happy** – The children returning to school after the half term holiday.

## Next Week's Menu

### Week 2 Menu

#### Monday

Beef Pasta Bolognaise  
(G,Ce) with homemade focaccia (G,Mk,So)  
Vegetarian Bolognese(G)  
Leeks and green beans, Apricot Pie (G,Mk,E)

#### Tuesday

Chicken Curry with Rice (Mu,So)  
Vegetable Curry with Rice(Su,Mu)  
Carrots and peas, Sugar Free Pineapple upside down cake (G,E,Mk)

#### Wednesday

Roast Beef with Yorkshire Pudding and gravy (G) with roasted potatoes  
Leek and parmesan risotto (Ce,Mk,Su), Spring cabbage and cauliflower, Fresh cut fruit

#### Thursday

Mild cajun chicken fillets (Mu,Ce,Su) with steamed rice  
Vegetable Pasta Bake (G), Broccoli and sweetcorn  
Sugar free Carrot cake (G,E,Mk)

#### Friday

Baked fish fingers (G,F) served with baked oven chips  
Mixed Vegetable Wraps (G,Mk), Baked beans and Peas  
Double chocolate sponge and custard (G,E,Mk)

## SPORTS NEWS



On Wednesday 27th February Ethan, Osas, Marcel, Orla, Miciah, Lincoln, Manon and Tilly went to compete at Britannia Leisure Centre in a Year 5 Dodgeball competition. We beat Rushmore and the Olive School twice, which made us qualify for the next round. Osas got the most catches with a grand total of 8. We got knocked out in the quarter finals against St John and St James but we had a lot of fun!

**By Ethan Magniez- Pouget and Osas Vincent (Year 5 Saffron)**

Happy March PTFA-ers, Spring energies are here with lots going on,

**JUMBLE SALE - SATURDAY 9 MARCH - 11am to 1pm**

The Jumble sale is almost here and we need your help :) Firstly; Donations can be brought in from Monday 4th of March. Spot the big white bags by the entrance! We will also need hands for:

Set up on Friday 8th: 3.30 - 7pm —> Anytime within this slot is super helpful and note that **we have a creche for BL kids in the library from 3.30 to 6pm.**

Set up on Saturday 9th: 9.00 - 11.00

We ask all parents and carers to donate towards the **cake sale**. Baked goods can be brought in the day before or in the morning and dropped with Maxine in reception

The white board is up for you to sign so please donate some of your time so everyone can enjoy grabbing some bargains!

This year there will also be a very special fundraising stall with focus on Project Playground and The Giving Machine. It will be headed up by fabulous year one parents Jen and Anne. If you can help fundraise for PP in any way, have suggestions, tips or leads, please visit the stall or reach out via email on: [bettylaywardPP@gmail.com](mailto:bettylaywardPP@gmail.com)

### PROJECT PLAYGROUND - Hackney Half Marathon on Sunday 19 May

If any of you would be willing to raise sponsorship for Project Playground by running the Hackney Half, then please do consider running with Team Betty Layward. The more people we have running for Project Playground, the more money we can raise! Please email [sarah.bolton10@gmail.com](mailto:sarah.bolton10@gmail.com) if you're interested.

We already have eight elite athletes limbering up to raise money for Project Playground, and if you'd like to sponsor them you can do so here- <https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/Team/ProjectPlaygroundHackneyHalf>

**PARTY LIKE A MOTHER**- hold 29 March in your diaries for a night out in aid of Project Playground.

### PTFA GAINS ON YOUR SHOPPING – sign up to the Giving Machine and/ or Amazon Smile

Together just a few of us raised a significant amount via the Giving Machine in the lead up to the winter festivities. There's not many names showing up though (individual spending is not publicised)! Please support the school in this easy way through 2019:

Register with Giving Machine via [http://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk/beneficiary.php?ben\\_id=62956](http://www.thegivingmachine.co.uk/beneficiary.php?ben_id=62956) Shop through the site at many outlets and our PTFA will receive money back. You can also download a widget for your desktop that will remind you to use this channel.

We're also registered with the Amazon Smile charity donation system. Simply go to [www.smile.amazon.co.uk](http://www.smile.amazon.co.uk) in your web browser, search for 'Betty Layward School PTFA' and select it. From then on 0.5% of net purchases you make will be donated to the PTFA.