

Betty Layward School

WEEKLY COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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Our Week

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for attending Parent's evening. It was lovely to see so many of you there. We are so proud of the children and how well they are doing. I hope you enjoyed the school lunch tasting too. We are lucky to have such delicious lunches and it's a pleasure seeing the children try new foods.

Our current year 4 took part in the Steve McQueen project last year when they were in year 3. This project has now been launched at the Tate Britain. There is a variety of publicity about this and if you click on the link below there is a map showing locations of all the publicity billboards.

<https://www.artangel.org.uk/year-3-project/>

The billboards are on the street as well as on some train and tube platforms. There is also the hashtag #Year3Project on Instagram where you can find different photos. We have booked for our year 4 classes to go and see it next year. More information is available here -

<https://www.tate.org.uk/whats-on/tate-britain/exhibition/steve-mcqueen-year-3>

Please remember we have our new photographer in next week. He will be in on Wednesday and Thursday and will be taking individual photos of all the children.

Year 6 went to Hampstead Heath this week to find out more about evolution and adaptation. The children became scientists, observing how different plants and leaves have adapted to the environment by identifying their features.

The quiz night sold out in record time. We do know there will be a few tickets that will be sold again on Monday. We will reopen the site again at 5pm on Monday. We are really looking forward to it.

Please ensure you have all our Christmas dates in your diary. We would also really appreciate volunteers for the Winter Fair on 7th December so please sign up if you can.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

Jessica
Headteacher



Jessica drawn by Cicely in Y6 Ruby

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TALK HOMEWORK

The theme this week is 'If you could do a kind gesture to anyone or anything what would it be and why?'

Awards

The winners of the best punctuality trophy for this week is Y5 Saffron.

The winners of the best attendance trophy for this week is Reception Aqua.

Whole school attendance from 3rd September until 7th November 2019 is 94.8%.



Picture of our Star of the Week Children

Donations urgently needed for Winter Toy Appeal



Each year the Winter Toy Appeal collects new toys for children experiencing extreme poverty in North London.

Please support the appeal - you can drop toys at Askew Eyewear or at Location Location opposite the school or buy via the wishlist at www.toyappealwishlist.com

Last year's appeal reached over 4,000 children, including every child in temporary accommodation in Hackney and many more - the toys are given out to children in most need via schools, social workers, refuges, food banks and migrant centres. The last day to give is December 7th. New toys only please and no clothes.

The appeal is run by the Local Buyers Club and Location Location. For more info visit www.wintertoyappeal.com

Curious – the reception children exploring and experimenting with porridge oats.

Creative – all the wow days across the school.

Ambitious - The project homework the children completed this term. Well done.

Respectful – the children saying please and thank you at lunchtime.

Happy - Parents/Carers, children and teachers at parents evening.

Next Week's Menu**Week 1 of our Autumn Term Menu****Monday – World Vegan Day**

Vegan Thai red curry

Vegan oat and chickpea dumpling in a tomato sauce (G)

Brown rice, Broccoli, Sweetcorn

Vegan Lemon Cake (G)

Tuesday

Mexican beef chilli con carne (Mu)

Vegetable quesadilla with sour cream and cheese (Mk, Mu, G)

Steamed rice, Cajun spiced roasted carrots, steamed green beans

Sugar free flapjack (G, Mk, Su)

Wednesday

Roast Norfolk turkey, sage and onion stuffing and gravy (G, Mk)

Chinese noodles with sweet and sour stir fried vegetables (So, E, G)

Fluffy roasted potatoes, Steamed broccoli,

Roasted root vegetables

Cut fruit yoghurt (Mk, So)

Thursday

Cajun chicken in a peri peri sauce (Mu)

Baked gnocchi in a tomato pepper sauce (Mk, E, G)

Steamed rice, Garden peas, Carrots

Sugar free pineapple and carrot cake (G)

Friday

MSC cod baked fish fingers (F, G, Mu) served with lemon and homemade tartare sauce (E, Mk)

Roasted pepper, onion and cheddar wholemeal quiche (Mk, E, G)

Baked oven chips, baked beans, courgettes

Queen of puddings with custard (So, Mk, E, G)

Salad bar, jacket potatoes, fresh bread and a selection of homemade cold dessert and yoghurts are also available daily

Packed Lunches:

Please do not include any sweets, crisps or chocolate bars as part of your child's packed lunch.

DUE TO NUT ALLERGIES DO NOT SEND NUT PRODUCTS INTO SCHOOL (INCLUDING PESTO) - WE ARE A NUT-FREE SCHOOL. Drinking water will be provided for all the children in the dining hall.

Happy Friday PTFA'ers! Diaries out because we've got some important dates for you...

The legendary BL Quiz Night - Friday 15 November

Quiz Night is now SOLD OUT! Unpaid and cancelled tickets will go online on Monday 5pm.

If you're not much of a quizzer, but you'd like to experience this legendary night, we still need people to help mark the rounds. Please shout if you're up for it.

PTFA Christmas cards

The children have spent the week designing their Christmas cards for you to send out to family and friends. Pack of Christmas cards and mugs with your child's design on will be available to order in the next couple of weeks so please look out for proofs in book bags.

Winter Fair

The Winter Fair will be held on Saturday 7 December, from 12.30pm to 3pm. Please put the date in your diary and keep your eyes peeled for more info!

And finally ... a huge thank you...

.. to all of you, for your continued fundraising for the PTFA. Your hard work has enabled us to buy some much needed new equipment for the school including a fabulous new stage, new maths and ICT resources, a portable CD player for the PE department and some outdoor equipment for the reception classes. The school are very grateful and the children will obviously benefit enormously, so massive thanks to everyone.