Betty Layward School

WEEKLY COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I can't believe we are at the end of our first term. Time flies when you are having fun. The reception children have settled in so well. I am so proud of them. It's a pleasure seeing them every day. Well done reception children. All our classes have done really well this term and we are proud of all of them. We look forward to a busy and great team next term.

Well done Peach class for a great assembly yesterday. It was a joy to watch. The children had learnt a lot of facts and presented their lines beautifully. Great work Peach class.

Grandparent week has been lovely. It's been great hearing different stories and accounts. The children have really enjoyed meeting all the grandparents. Thank you for supporting us with this. It's much appreciated.

Fingers crossed the playground work starts next week. We are so excited. Hopefully when you return after the holiday there will be some progress.

I wanted to thank you for all your support and kind words. We are lucky to be part of such a great community. I hope you all have a great week and see you next term. I also hope to see lots of you at the PTFA Annual General Meeting on the first Monday back (28th October) in the hall at 3.30pm – 4.30pm.

Please ensure your child brings a coat to school every day.

Have a great week.

Jessica Headteacher



Jessica drawn by Yasmin in Y1 Violet

News

TALK HOMEWORK

The theme this week is 'If I could be any musical instrument what would I be and why'

Awards

The winners of the best punctuality trophy for this week is Y5 Saffron with no late marks. The winners of the best attendance trophy for this week is Y6 Chilli. Whole school attendance from 3rd September until 17th October 2019 is 96.4%.



Picture of our Star of the Week Children

Sports News



On Wednesday 16th October, the girls football team took part in a 7-a-side football tournament at Mabley Green. Our first game was against St James and St John's and we won 3-0. Our second game was against Parkwood which we drew 1-1. After that we played Woodberry Down and we won 2-0 and our final group game was against Queensbridge which we drew 0-0. Altogether it mean't that we finished top of our group and most importantly qualified for the quarter finals against St Paul's with St Michael's which we won 1-0. Then in the semi-finals we played against Gayhurst and drew 0-0 which mean't that it went to a penalty shoot out which we lost. Overall we came 3rd out of a possible 20 schools from across Hackney.

Well done to the following girls: Poppy, Willow, Ruby-May, Tilly, Hannah, Manon, Sarah, Pippa, Savannah and Laurie. And a special thank you to Tara Ives (Hannah's mum) who supported us to and from the venue.

By Poppy Downie (4 Fuschia) and Hannah Merritt (6 Ruby)

Delivering Our Vision

Curious – The whole school learning about the Jewish festival of Sukkot in assembly.

Creative – Y2 making string puppets in Design and Technology.

Ambitious – Y2 Peach's class assembly on habitats. A brilliant performance.

Respectful - the Y6 children listening to the talk by Hedi Argent from the Holocaust Trust.

Happy - the children welcoming their grandparents to school.

Next Week's Menu

Week 2 of our New Autumn Term Menu

Monday

Mild Quorn Rogan Josh (none)

Tarka Dahl with Spinach and lentils (Mk)

Wholegrain rice, Steamed carrots, Roasted spiced cauliflower

Jalousie tart with mincemeat (Mk,G)

Tuesday

Chicken Enchiladas in a rich tomato sauce (Mu, Mk, G)

Spinach, potato and chickpea curry with rice (none) Savour rice, buttered sweetcorn (Mk), Saute leeks Jalousie Tart (MK, G)

Wednesday

Roast beef (none) with Yorkshire pudding (G, Mk, E) and gravy

Mixed bean and vegetable burrito (Mu, Mk, G) Fluffy roasted potatoes, broccoli florets, buttered sweetcorn (Mk)

Cut fruit yoghurt (Mk, So)

Thursday

Chinese turkey stir fry with vegetables and noodles (G. F.)

Spanish frittata with onion, spinach and cheddar (Mk, E)

Steamed new potatoes, roasted courgette, steamed green beans

Sugar free orange and poppy seed drizzle cake (G, E, Mk)

Friday

Cheesy tuna and sweetcorn pasta bake (Mk, F, G) Cheese and tomato margherita pizza (G, Mk, E) Oven baked chips, garden peas, grilled tomatoes Warm sultana flapjack (G, Mk)

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.

PIFA

Happy half term PTFA'ers! A few PTFA matters for you to ponder over the half term break...

PTFA AGM - Monday 28 October 2019

We are running this AGM at a new time of 3.30pm in the hope that lots of parents and carers who do pick up can attend. It's almost impossible to find a time that suits everyone - if you are unable to attend this AGM but would like to raise an issue please do email Sarah

(<u>sarah.bolton10@gmail.com</u>) and we will make sure it's raised. Minutes of the meeting will be circulated to parents/carers via class reps shortly after the meeting for those who are unable to attend.

To make the meeting as accessible as possible we will have a crèche. The crèche will be in the library for an hour, the children can watch a film, read or draw.

PTFA Bids

Hopefully you have all seen the email with a short application form for anyone wanting to submit a bid for PTFA funds fo pay for projects or buy equipment to benefit the school community. Previous successful bids include a new sound system for the hall, new gym equipment and equipment for the area outside the reception classes.

You can submit a bid via email to Jessica by 4pm on Wednesday 23rd October and they will be discussed at the AGM on Monday 28th October. If you do submit a bid, it would be great if you are able to attend the AGM to discuss it.

BL Quiz

The infamous BL Quiz night has been confirmed for Friday 15th November so book you babysitters now to avoid disappointment!

For this to happen we need Quizmasters! If you have an interesting, random, kooky and/or fun ideas for a round of questions and are ready for the spotlight please get in touch with Quiz organiser Jenny - j.soderstrom@live.com Tickets will become available nearer the time.