# **Betty Layward School**

## WEEKLY COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

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#### No 441, Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been a busy week with a lot going on this week. We had Apricot class assembly on Thursday. It was great. The children retold the story of the Great Fire of London with passion and enthusiasm. They said their lines with confidence and demonstrated excellent acting skills. Apricot class, you should be very proud. We are very proud of you.

The instrumental concert on Thursday was fantastic. We heard the children play a range of instruments with such confidence. It was a pleasure to be in the audience and I was so impressed by their talent. Well done to all the children who took part. It was a joy to listen to you

Simon has worked very hard this week with our cross country runners, our girls football 5-a-side team and a Panathlon Boccia competition. Well done everyone who took part and a big thank you to Simon for his enthusiasm, commitment and hard work.

When you ring in to let us know your child is unwell please can you give us a reason, eg sickness, tonsillitis etc. If you leave a message please give a reason on there too. We have to record these as part of our absence procedure. Thank you for supporting us with this.

Have a lovely weekend.

**Iessica** Headteacher



Jessica drawn by Naomi in Y1 Lavender

#### News

#### **TALK HOMEWORK**

'If you could read in an extreme place where would it be and why?'

There were no classes with 100% puncutuality.

The winner of the best attendance trophy for this week is Y6

Whole school attendance from 3<sup>rd</sup> September until 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2020 is 94.6%



Picture of our Star of the Week children. BETTY LAYWARD WINNERS OF GINGERBREAD COMPETITON



Congratulations to Maxine and Rena from our lovely kitchen who won the Gingerbread House Christmas Competiton beating off all the contenders of the other primary schools under the Accent Catering umbrella. Well done! (picture above)

#### School Council

Every 2 weeks 2 school council members from each class meet to discuss the school and relevant ideas. The school council members get a badge, and a folder to record the class ideas and notes for the school council meetings.

At the moment our main project is to help the school's environment and use less waste. Our first way to bring this plan into action is to put signs on the bins around the school and outside. The signs will clearly state which bin it is and what to/not to put in it. We will also monitor the litter, looking at patterns so if there is a lot of one type of litter then we can tell everyone not to drop it. Hopefully, with these plans in place we can help the school help climate emergency. By Harry Y5

#### **Delivering Our Vision**

**Curious** – The children learning about road safety in the assembly.

**Creative** – Year 2 Apricot's version of the Great Fire of London.

**Ambitious** – The children's performances in the instrumental concert.

**Respectful** – KS1 learning and discussing ideas about being kind.

**Happy** – The children in school council receiving their new school council badges.

#### Next Week's Menu

#### Week 1 of our Spring Term Menu

Monday

Carrot and Lentil soup (G)

Pasta with tomato sauce (E,G) (G)

Buttered sweetcorn & Leeks

Lemon Blondie (Mk,E,G)

Tuesday

Cheesy tuna & sweetcorn pasta bake(MK,F,G)

Macaroni cheese with a crispy topping

(So,Mk,E,G)

Crispy potato wedges, Coleslaw (Mu,Mk,E)

Steamed green beans

Sugar free Banana cake (Mk,G,)

Wednesday

Roast Norfolk turkey, sage and onion stuffing and

gravy(Mk,E,G)

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,G)

Baked gnocchi in a tomato and pepper sauce

(Mk,E,G)

Steamed rice, Courgettes & Carrots

Sugar free Date and coconut Flapjack (Mk,G)

MSC cod baked fish fingers served with lemon and homemade tartare sauce

(Mu,Mk,F,E,G)

Roasted pepper, onion and cheddar wholemeal quiche

Baked oven chips, Baked beans & Garden peas Chocolate marble cake with Vanilla custard

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 PTFAers!

#### Hackney Half Marathon Schools' Challenge

Look out for an email sent today about the half marathon. All children in years one to six will be running a mile a week until they have completed a half marathon and all are welcome to run their final celebratory mile on the official Hackney Half Marathon course on Saturday 16th May. If your child would like to take part in this event, please register them by Friday 7th February, using the link in the email sent out by Jessica today. Last year we raised over £12,000 for Project Playground and this year we're encouraging children to seek sponsorship to raise money to buy some new computers for the school! If you have any questions, feel free to email Sarah Bolton -

PTFA

sarah.bolton10@gmail.com

#### **Upcoming Bake for Books Cake Sales**

Friday 7th February - Nursery and Year 5, Friday 28th February -Year 1 and Year 4 & Friday 13th March - Year 2 and Year 3

#### SPORTS NEWS









On Wednesday 29th January 2020, 5 children from Betty Layward took part in a Boccia competition at Queensbridge Sports Centre. We played against Southwold, St Pauls with St Michael, Ickburgh School and The Garden School. We won 2 of our games. In the end we all had fun!!

Well done to Carolina, Mikha, Faye, Micaiah and Kieran and a special thank you to Rob (Finn's Father) for helping out on the day. By Micaiah Williams (6 Chilli)

On Thursday 30th January 2020, the Betty Layward cross country team took part in race 3, at Hackney Downs Park. The course was 1.4km and it was very wet and slippery which caused a few of us to slip as we were running. There were a lot of schools there but the Betty Layward cross country team did well and we are looking forward to the next race, next Thursday.

Well done everyone and a special thank you to Andy (Ruby Mays Father), Rob (Finn's Father) and Matty (Henry's Father) and all the other parents/ carers who came down to support us!! By Hannah Merritt (6 Chilli) and Rebecca Elfield (5 Saffron)

On Thursday 30th January 2020, The Betty Layward Girls football team took part in a 5-a-side tournament at Queensbridge Sports Centre. We played against Mandeville and St John The Baptist twice and we won all of our games which meant we finished top of the league with Sarah the top gaol scorer.

Well done to the following Girls: Rebecca, Ruby May, Hannah, Tilly, Sarah, Manon and Savannah. By Sarah Nzuzi Farrell (6 Chilli) and Savannah Gillen (5 Saffron)

On Wednesday 15th January 2020, The Betty Layward Girls football team took part in a 7-a-side Girls football competition however we had to play our third round play off for the previous competition against William Pattern which we won on penalties with Rebecca making an outstanding winning save. We then went on to play each school there. They were Gayhurst, William Pattern and Gainsborough. We won all of our games finishing top of the league!

Well done to the following Girls: Rebecca, Hannah, Ruby May, Tilly, Manon, Laurie, Savannah, Sarah and Willow and a special thank you to Andy (Ruby May Father) who help us out on the day. By Hannah Merritt (6 Chilli)