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Maths writers ...



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Please remember that next week is Half Term and the school is closed. The second half of the Summer Term starts on Monday 3rd June.

FGB Meeting 22/5/2024

The Governing Body met on Wednesday 22nd May to discuss all things St. John's Green and to hear from Mr Billings, Mrs Bullivant and Mrs Skinner about how our children and the school is doing.

We were excited to learn that the One Square Mile exhibition will be going up on a temporary basis in the small hall at the Abbey Field site before it moves on for a longer period of time to The Minorities on the High Street. **There will be an opportunity for families to see the exhibition at the school on the 7th June between 4pm and 6pm.** Please do put this in your diaries and come and enjoy the hard work and creativity that the whole school community has put into this excellent project.

Well done to the children who undertook their SATs recently, the Governor's who came in to observe were very impressed with what they saw.

We were very pleased to hear about the excellent time had by all on the Year 4 trip to Danbury. As well as the aerial rope walk, trekking and orienteering, there were also camp fires, singing and night time walks in the woods. The children get so much from this experience and the school continue to make sure that it is available at the best price we can have it so as many children as possible can take part.

Lastly we were sad to say goodbye to our current Chair of Governor's Geoff Beales. Geoff said how proud he was to have been a part of this school community and we all thank him for his involvement.

Elisa Vasquez-Walters

One Square Mile Exhibition

Parents at the AF site may have noticed a transformation in the small hall over the last week.

Mrs. Skinner, with the support of Miss. Clarke and Mr. Kelly have turned this room into an exhibition of some of the work the children have been completing as part of the One Square Mile work.

This exhibition is a warm up for the main exhibition which will take place at The Minorities in September.

There is an open invite to all parents who would like a look at some of the children's work and our mini exhibition for Friday 7th June from 4.00p.m.—6.00p.m.

Entry will be via the side gate on the footpath between Abbey Fields and the Mersea Road.

Term Dates

Monday 27th May—Friday 31st May—Half Term

Friday 28th June has been confirmed as a NPD—and the school will be closed.

Friday 19th July—Last Day of Summer Term

Tuesday 2nd September—First Day of Autumn Term

Diary Dates

EYFS—Forest Schools; Monday 3rd June, Monday 10th June, Monday 17th June, Monday 24th June

Friday 7th June—Non Uniform day for children who completed science project.

Friday 5th July—PTA Summer Fair. 5.00p.m.—7.00p.m. @ AF.

Assembly Theme for WB: 3/6/2024—How do we Keep Safe Online?

Rights Respecting Schools

Article 17 (access to information from the media) Every child has the right to reliable information from a variety of sources, and governments should encourage the media to provide information that children can understand. Governments must help protect children from materials that could harm them.

The **Big** Question for the Spring Term Assessment Period — How do I make Good Decisions?

Our Jigsaw Theme for this Half Term—Changing Me!

PSHE

Parents have been sent an email today which details the content of the Personal, Social, Health, Emotional (PSHE) content for the second half of the Summer Term.

The Jigsaw topic is Changing Me and the units focus on how the children are growing and changing in preparation for the next steps in their lives. For the older children there will be lessons about puberty, growing older and also for our oldest children (in Year 5 and 6), lessons that will cover non-statutory (age-appropriate) sex education. As this learning is non-statutory, it is for you to decide whether you want your child to participate in these lessons with their peers. If, after reading the information in the attachment, you would prefer to withdraw your child then please reply to this email to inform us of your choice. This is only necessary for parents of children in Year 5 and Year 6 as no other year groups will be covering this subject.

Mrs. Smith will be available at an open evening on Tuesday 4th June from 3.05pm at AF to discuss any concerns and share our teaching resources with you. If you have any questions or concerns, please do come along to find out more about what the children are learning.

Handwriting Competition

Once again I am delighted to let you know of the Handwriting Competition run by Mr. McMeekan from the Rotary Club.

On page 2 of the newsletter is the poem that children need to write out in their finest handwriting. Children in KS2 also need to give the details about the author.

All entries need to be handed into either school office by Wednesday 12th June.



Year 1 Romans v Year 2 Celts!

Today in school we had our Year 1 children dressed up as Romans and our Year 2 children dressed up as Celts and very wisely we decided to keep them at their separate sites....

Boudicca was Queen of the Iceni tribe, a group of Celts who lived north of Colchester. When the Romans first conquered Britain, they left the Iceni's alone.

But when Boudicca's husband died, everything changed.

They took the Iceni's land, whipped Boudicca and attacked her daughters. Forcing her to take revenge.

Boudicca led the Iceni's on a raid on Colchester. They set fire to the city and went to burn down St Albans and London. At first, they didn't face much opposition. But soon the Romans were able to put up an impressive fight and take charge again.

So a brilliant day for both our Year groups and no repeat of AD 60!



Congratulations



Congratulations to Kenzie who entered a McDonald's drawing competition and won the stand of toys!

Obviously, some fantastic drawing. Well done Kenzie.

Year 5—Kingswood

Please remember that the final Kingswood (Year 6 residential) payment is due on Friday 7th June £70.

Congratulations



A huge well done this week to Matilda in Year 6 who has demonstrated motivation and resilience in her karate endeavours. At the weekend, she competed in a local karate competition where she won 2 gold and 2 bronze medals. She also recently competed in the karate 'Worlds' competition in Malta during which she won bronze in her age group - an amazing achievement. In October, she will once again represent her club in the European competitions in Poland, for which we all wish her the best of luck.

Your Green Day total in support of The Mental Health Foundation raised £533.30. Thankyou

Thank you to everyone who was able to come along to our Shared Supper last night—we will hold another one in the Autumn Term.

Awards

STAR— Urwa (MM), CHARIOT— Henry (MM), JUMBO— Lyla (RREX).

EAGLES— Henrik (MM), ROSES— Victor (RREX), CIRCUS— Cahit (MLM) & Kiara (MM).

MERCURY— Hickson (RREX), CLAUDIUS— Ralph (MLM), ROMANS— Isaac (CC).

DUTCH— Yihan (MM), ICENI— Amelia (RROX), PAXMAN— Anastasia (MM).

CASTLE— Edward (MM), GARRISON— Keira (MM), CAVALIER— Jason (RREX).

OYSTERS— Joseph (MLM), RAEDWALD— Haatim (MM), MAGNETS— Tami (RREX).

TRINOVANTES— Nahide (MM), CYMBELINE— James (MLM), LATHES— Pashton (MLM).

ATTENDANCE— Castle.

HUB—Heath (MM).

Rotary Handwriting Competition 2024

EYFS and KEY STAGE 1:

Twinkle, twinkle, little star
How I wonder what you are,
Up above the world so high,
Like a Diamond in the Sky

KEY STAGE 2 continue:

Jane and Anne Taylor wrote this poem over 200
years ago.

There is now a statue of the two of them in our
High Street, near where they lived, in West
Stockwell Street

All entries should be handed in to The Office by
Wednesday 12 June

Remember to put your Name, Class and Year

Good luck! Enjoy!

Ian McMeekan