

Friday 19th July 2013

Message from the Head

What a fantastic year it has been. The children have thoroughly enjoyed the introduction of the new International Primary Curriculum and have benefitted from some fantastic learning experiences and really interesting trips. It is always sad to say goodbye; we wish everyone who is leaving us great success on the next step of their journey and hope that they will all keep in touch through our new website and our school twitter account. We are having an extensive refurbishment of KS2 and all our toilets over the summer. Hopefully the school will be spic and span and ready for the children to return on 4th September. Please check the website on 2nd September to make sure! Have a wonderful summer. Enjoy your brilliant children and keep encouraging them to read and practise their tables. Remember to check the local papers for exciting local events, like the **Camden Square Festival on 21st July—this coming Sunday**, and all the other free events which take place across London in the summer. **Enjoy, relax, have lots of fun and keep safe.**

Summary of 2013 Pupil survey

At the end of last half term we carried out our annual pupil survey. We do this every year to help us with setting priorities and monitor pupils' views and attitudes towards school work and school life.

Changes since the previous survey:

The pupil questionnaire now includes reception classes for the first time. 2011/12 had 214 responses= 89% (no reception) 2013 survey had 278 responses = 90% (including reception). The neutral, 50:50, option was dropped from the vote this year for being too unclear.

As were the additional comments section (on reflection, this was a mistake and will be reinstated next year).

Positive Responses:

There seems to be a rise in areas through last year's neutral views being translated almost completely to positives in:

- pupil's engagement
- academic guidance, knowing when work is good, how to improve, what to do when stuck
- the children's perception about parental views about the school
- homework

Negative Responses:

There is clearly more work to be done for the small percentage of pupils who feel only negative about:

- academic guidance, for when they are stuck or how to improve
- working with a partner
- working alone
- children being helped to be kind

We are speaking directly with a few children who have expressed particular concerns and are looking at ways to improve things for them.

Skipathon

Thank you for your generosity in raising £614 for the Heart Foundation in our recent Skipathon. I would like to mention Zaynab in 2F who raised a staggering £110.20 all by herself.

Dates for your calendar

2nd-3rd September	Inset Days—no children
4th September	Children back for Autumn Term
21st-25th October	Year 6 School Journey
28th Oct– 1st Nov	Half Term Holiday Week
20th December	End of Autumn Term—Christmas Holidays
6th January	Spring Term Starts

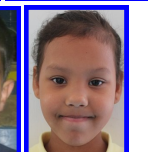
Golden Book for the Year!

These children have shown outstanding attitude and effort throughout this academic year and have been chosen by their teachers for a special mention in this years 'Golden Book for the Year'. Well done to them all.



Year 1
Bradley & Mischa

Year 2
Sophie & Naji



Year 3
Zakhi & Mia

Year 4
Farah & Vivian



Year 5
Akram & Lydia

Year 6
Aishah & Merrill



Sports Day Results

Scores have been checked and verified and we can now announce the overall winners of the team events from Sports Day last week. KS2 winners were the Yellow team, KS1 winners were the Red team and overall, winning by a margin of 11 points was the Red. Well done to all the children who made the day such a success.



This week's merit winners...

Silver—100 Merits

Ali—4A
Dominik—4S
Veron—6G



Emerald 250 Merits

Hafiza — 6M
Faith—6M



Ruby 300 Merits

Noor—6M



School Picnic



This week we made the most of the amazing weather and had a special whole school picnic in the playground. The children really enjoyed eating their lunch outside and especially running through the sprinkler to cool down!



Year 6 Special...

We say goodbye to our year 6 children as they close the book on their Primary School career. They have worked tirelessly this year to achieve to the best of their ability while at the same time being able to enjoy themselves and their learning. We are immensely proud of them all and know they really worked their socks off! We will miss them, but as well as being a sad time to say goodbye we know we will see many of them again as they come to visit and to pick up little brothers and sisters—they never really leave us behind! We look forward to hearing all the wonderful things we know they will go on to and hope they will look back on their time with us fondly as well will.



...at the beach!

The annual end of year trip to Joss Bay in Kent for year 6 happened last Friday. Although the sun beat down in London there was a bit more cloud cover on the coast which gave the children some respite from the sun. The opportunity to jump around in the waves was taken by everyone. Klei and Elona almost grew fins they were in the water so long! It was a great day and fabulous way to celebrate coming towards the end



...leavers disco



end of year show: Oliver!

This week saw Year 6 perform their end of year show to children, staff and parents in 3 separate shows. All were fantastic and we were very proud of them all. Special mention should go to Klei who relished the role of the evil Bill Sikes! The character couldn't have been further from what Klei is like in real life—a career in acting ahead perhaps? We should also mention the other lead parts: Oliver, played by Merrill, Fagin played by Faiza, the Artful Dodger played by Amal, Mr Brownlow played by Kareem, Nancy played by Ellie and Nancy played by Mya. They all gave stellar performances supported by a great cast who sang and acted with gusto throughout. Well done to Monica, Ella, Rachel, and Jo for helping to make it all happen.

