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News & What's coming up

E-Safety Sessions – Thursday 20th April 2017

As you will have seen in the news recently, E-Safety is a concern we should all be aware of to help keep our children safe online.



In conjunction with EST E Safety, we will be running a day of E-Safety sessions for children in Year 1 through to Year 6. This will be followed by a parent E-Safety session where, with the help of the PTA, we will be holding a pyjama party for children whose parents are attending the E-Safety session. We see this as an important opportunity to all better understand e-safety and we hope as many of you as possible will attend. Parents have a crucial role to play as children often have unsupervised and unfiltered access to apps, sites and games whilst at home or with friends.

A film suitable for all ages will be shown and refreshments will be provided for both parents and children. This will be a free event and will be funded by the PTA. More details to follow.

Healthy Packed Lunches

Could we please remind you that we are a healthy eating school and ask that you follow the guidelines below if you are providing your child with a packed lunch. Packed lunches should consist of:

- Sandwich with a meat or vegetarian filling or an alternative (e.g. pasta, rice, couscous, noodles)
- One portion of fruit and/or one portion of vegetable or salad
- A dairy food, such as semi-skimmed or skimmed milk, cheese, yoghurt or fromage frais
- Water, still or sparkling, fruit juice, semi-skimmed or skimmed milk, yoghurt or milk drinks and smoothies
- Snacks such as crisps should only be provided occasionally. Instead, include seeds, chopped vegetables and chopped fruit (with no added salt, sugar or fat). Savoury crackers or breadsticks served with fruit, vegetables or dairy food are also a good choice
- Please do not send in sweets (e.g. Mars bars, Dairy Milk, Haribos or similar types of sweets). Cakes and biscuits are allowed but these should be part of a balanced meal.

A balanced diet is a healthy diet. Please avoid too much processed sugar and be aware of the sugar content of products. The guidelines for the amount of sugar for children is between 19g and 24g per day. A fruit winder contains 6g and a penguin 10g!!

We are a nut free school so can peanut butter be avoided as we do have children with severe nut allergies.

Also, please remind children not to share or accept food from other children due to allergies.

We have no refrigeration facilities and sometimes our corridors are warm so an insulated lunch bag is ideal and perhaps a small ice pack if necessary.

Note for Year 4 parents - Do you have any old business shirts you could donate as art aprons?

What's on next week

Tuesday 24th January

9-10: SEN Coffee morning with Mrs Skinner – Library
7.45: PTA meeting – Rainbow Room (enter via side gates by hall)

Thursday 26th January

Year 1 trip to Bethnal Green Toy Museum

Future dates for your diary

The dates below are for information only – full details of events will be sent via a separate letter or mentioned in this newsletter.

Wednesday 1st February – 9am Parents Forum Coffee morning – everyone welcome

Tuesday 7th February – Open evening 4-7pm

Thursday 9th February – Open evening 5.30-8.30pm

Monday 13th February-Friday 17th February – Half Term

Thursday 2nd March – 2.15: Year 5 Guitar Sharing Session (Junior Hall)

Tuesday 7th March (am) – Cross Country Competition

Monday 27th March (pm) – Infant Music Festival at the Paddocks

Thursday 20th April – E-Safety sessions (see above)

Homework Reminders

Don't forget to read at least 4 times a week and do your Times Table Rockstars and practice your spellings.

Year 6 – My Maths– due Wednesday. Learning Log – due Monday

Year 5 – My Maths, reading comprehension, find some facts about your chosen plant for ICT

Year 4 – Times Table Books

Year 3 – In homework books

Year 2 – Online Maths, Phonics and handwriting

Year 1 – Maths paper and phonics book

Don't Forget!

Year 1 – Please ensure payment and forms for trip to Bethnal Green Toy Museum are returned by Tuesday

Don't Forget



Cold Weather

Please ensure that all children wear a coat to school even if they come in a car as most days they will be out at play and lunchtimes.

Do you want to train to be a Teacher?

Learn more about Primary and Secondary teacher training opportunities available through the Benfleet Teaching School Alliance. Their next Information and Recruitment Event is on **Monday 20th February from 11.15am until 1.30pm** at The King John School, Shipwrights Drive, Benfleet Essex SS7 1RO. You will need a degree 2:2 or above to be accepted but anyone can attend to gain advice on how to get on a course and the appropriate degree route.

This event will include a short presentation about the various routes into teaching and how the teacher training programme works, a chance to hear from past and present trainees in this year's cohort describing their experiences and an opportunity to ask any questions you may have. There will also be a tour of the school and an opportunity to observe lessons. The ITT Coordinator will be available to discuss the questions you may have regarding the application process, funding and bursaries. To request a place at this event please email mhoward@theappletonschool.org (Please state your subject specialism for secondary teaching)

Star of the Week

Well done to the following children who are Stars of the Week

Yr6 Gold class – Amber-Leigh
 Yr6 Green class – Max
 Yr5 White class – Eliza
 Yr5 Silver class – Henry
 Yr4 Red class – Reese
 Yr4 Bronze class – Dexter
 Yr3 Aqua class – Connie & Olivia
 Yr3 Purple class – Isabelle
 Yr2 Lime class – Lilly-Mae
 Yr2 Ruby class – Poppy
 Yr1 Blue class – Jorgie
 Yr1 Yellow class – Lacey
 EY Jade class – Katie
 EY Amber class – Henry
 Rainbow Room – Bobby, Silver Class
 Well done and keep up the good work.



Reading

Well done to all classes who had the following number of children who read **at home** at least 4 times this week and were entered into the Reading Record Reward Pot:

Gold – 28
 Green – 29
 White – 20
 Silver – 22
 Red – 29
 Bronze – 22
 Aqua – 28
 Purple – 23
 Lime – 21
 Ruby – 22
 Blue – 22
 Yellow – 23
 Jade – 24
 Amber – 17



Rock Heroes this week

Well done to the following children who are Times Table Rockstar Rock Heroes this week

Gold class – Billy (Mrs Watson's Maths set)
 Green class – Archie (Miss Farrell's Maths set)
 White class – Tye
 Silver class – Toby
 Red class – Mia L-G
 Bronze class – Gracie
 Aqua class – James
 Purple class – Sophia
 Well done and keep up the good work.



Attendance – w/e Friday 20th January

The **Key Stage 1** class with the best attendance is **Jade Class**. Their attendance was **99.3%**

The **Key Stage 2** class with the best attendance is **Green Class**. Their attendance was **99.3%**

Other Key Stage 1 attendance is as follows:

Ruby Class – 98%
 Blue Class – 96.8%
 Amber Class – 96.7%
 Lime Class – 96%
 Yellow Class – 93%

Other Key Stage 2 attendance is as follows:

Bronze Class – 99%
 Purple Class – 98.3%
 Silver Class – 98%
 Gold Class – 97.3%
 Aqua Class – 96.2%
 Red Class – 96%
 White Class – 94%

Letters sent home this week

Year 6 – Assessment meeting letter – Meeting on 31st January at 2.30pm

PTA News

PTA Meeting – Tuesday 24th January

There is a PTA meeting on 24th January at 7.45pm in the Rainbow Room. If you would like to see what the PTA have planned for the rest of the school year or if you are interested in joining/helping the PTA then please feel free to come along. Please email Hayley Wright hwright72@sky.com if you wish to attend. Please enter via the side gate by the hall.

Costumes & Uniform

If anyone has any spare nativity or other themed costumes that they no longer require, the PTA would be very grateful if you could pass them on. The aim is to have costumes available for future themed days that parents can hire for a small fee.

We would also like to collect any school uniform that may be too small for your children. We are looking at having a second hand uniform shop.

If you have any items, please leave them in a bag marked "PTA" at the School office. Further details will follow in the New Year.

House Points

House points are awarded to KS2 children for good behaviour, good work, helping others, being kind and good manners.

Points earned this week

Drake	22
Raleigh	21
Wellington	20
Nelson	17

Menu for next week

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Pasta Day- Tomato or Cheese sauce	Roast Gammon	All Day Breakfast Sausage/Bacon/Scrambled Egg	Savoury Mince (Optional Dumplings)	Fish Fingers
	Quorn Fillet	Quorn Sausage	Quorn Mince	Jacket Potato with Cheese and Beans
Sweetcorn / Salad Bar	Roast Potatoes	Hash Brown	Creamy Mashed Potatoes	Chips
Crusty Bread	Seasonal Vegetables / Yorkshire Puddings	Beans	Seasonal Vegetables	Beans / Salad Bar Crusty Bread
Chocolate Cake With Chocolate Sauce	Fruit Pots	Cookie	Apple Crumble with Custard	Jelly