

NEWPORT NEWS - February 2016

Achievements

Every Friday in achievement assembly one child from each class is chosen to receive a certificate for working hard all week.

If your child completes a reading card they will receive a certificate and it will also be placed in a prize draw. Three cards each week will be chosen and whoever's card is drawn they will receive a special prize.

For those children who choose healthy options at lunchtime are given a healthy heart token. The classes with the most tokens each week will get to choose a healthy treat, this can be anything from smoothies to fruit platters.



A big well done to all our hardworking children who continue to impress us with their behaviour and strong work ethic. Teachers will be choosing 1 child from each class to have a special treat with Miss Hill.

Early Words Together

We would like to say a big thank you and well done to the following parents and children

Agne Keriene and Gabija Keraite

Abimbola Akinola and Adedire and Darasimi Alajiki

Demi and Alfie Robinson

Mrs Foulger and Bunama Ceesay

These have all completed the Early Words Together sessions led by Mrs Winterbottom over the last 5 weeks.

Attendance & Punctuality

A big well done to those parents/carers and children who are trying to boost our attendance by coming to school on time every day. We are planning special treats at the end of each week awarded to those children who have attended school on time every day.

Reminders / Dates for Diary

Booster classes for Y6 children continue on a Wednesday and a Thursday. It is very important that all children attend these for SATs preparation. Booster classes finish at 4:15pm.

Y6 Parents/Carers—Please continue to work with your child through their revision books in preparation for SATs in May.

Thank you to all parents/carers who are supporting their children with homework, spellings and reading. It makes a big difference to your child's learning.

Y3R will be holding a parents/carers hour on Tuesday 1st March at 9:00am. Please come along and support your child.

As the weather is so unpredictable at the moment, please ensure your child brings a coat to school everyday.

Please be aware PCSO Debbie McClelland will be patrolling the parking outside of school on a regular basis. Anyone parked inappropriately on the yellow zig zag lines could face an on the spot fine. This is to ensure our children's safety.

DO NOT PARK IN A DISABLED BAY IF YOU ARE NOT A BLUE BADGE HOLDER



Please do not walk through the school car park with your child.

This is very dangerous!!!

Please ensure you use the footpath.



Class Activities

Nursery have been exploring the topic "Around the World". Barnaby Bear has been to England, India, Africa, China, Portugal and Czech Republic. The children thoroughly enjoyed learning about other cultures and especially trying new foods from these countries. Next term, linked to their transport topic, Nursery will be visiting the Bus Station. They will be looking at the different types of buses, the numbers we can spot and other features of the bus station.

Y1/2 have the topic Lights, Big have



been enjoying of "Bright City". They learned all

about Thomas Farriner and the Great Fire of London. When they come back after half term their topic will be Super Heroes, so, on Thursday 25th February, they are going to Middlesbrough Fire Station on Park Road South to meet some real heroes and learn about Fire Safety.

Y5/6 have been working with the Royal Shakespeare Company exploring a Midsummer Night's Dream. They have taken part in some excellent drama sessions in school.



Y6 continue to work very, very hard in preparation for their SATs in May. They took some time out on Shrove Tuesday to enjoy pancakes, however, teachers still managed to teach ratio and proportion with the pancake mix.



Other News

On Thursday 11th February to celebrate the end of their topic, Bright Lights, Big City, Year 1/2 invited Parents/Carers to share some delicious cakes they baked themselves, just like Thomas Farriner baked over 350 years ago on Pudding Lane. It's a good job they didn't fall asleep and leave the oven on like he did.

KS1 were visited by our school health team on 3rd February. They spoke to us about the importance of brushing our teeth and not eating a lot of sugar.



This half term we launched our non-fiction writing competition. Look out for winners on our next newsletter!

Upper KS2 are looking forward to a French afternoon of tasks and snacks after Mrs Tatham from Acklam Grange school has been coming into school teaching them French.

We will be celebrating World Book Day on 3rd March. Children can come to school dressed as their favourite book character. KS1 will be visiting Middlesbrough Library and some of KS2 children will get the chance to go to WHSmith to use their book token.



Her Majesty the Queen

Y1/2 had a very special visitor.



They invited the Queen of England to come for Afternoon Tea on 12th January 2016 and she came! (Well, perhaps it was not the Queen but she was very Royal and knew lots about the Royal Family)

They all enjoyed their cream tea too!