

Head Teacher Award

Congratulations to Ben in Blue Class who received a Head Teacher Award this week for his literacy work.



Reception – Art

Reception have been learning about seasonal changes this term. They are looking at Autumn and all the changes that happen in this season. They have been around the school grounds collecting autumn foliage and using inspiration from the artist Andy Goldsworthy made patterns with their collections. Photographs of the patterns are displayed on the wall above and below the tree.

To make the Autumn tree shown in the picture they chose two autumn colours, made a handprint in each colour and then mixed the two colours together to make a further hand print.

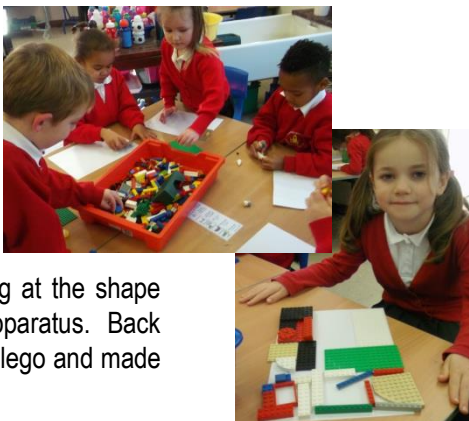
Achievement Pyramid

1st in Reception
to 100 Smartcard Stickers
 Louis – Red Class
Well Done!

Year 1 – Geography

This week in geography year 1 have been looking at the local area and buildings. They talked about their route to and from school and drew a map.

The classes walked around the school looking at the shape and layout of the buildings, playground and apparatus. Back in the classroom each table collected a box of lego and made a map of the school from their observations.



Year 2 – SAM Learning

Yesterday the year 2 children were shown how to use Sam Learning. This is an online service we have bought into that covers a range of subjects. You can access sam learning from a computer anywhere with internet access.

The children were all very excited, especially when choosing their avatars! Ask your child to show you the website – information and full details of how to log on has been sent home with your child.

DIARY DATES

Monday 25th November

Year 2 Play Buddy Training

Monday 25th November

Blue Class Parent Consultations
 3.30 – 8.00 pm

Wednesday 27th November

Help Your Child with Phonics,
 Reading & Writing
 2.15-3.00 pm or 6.00-7.00 pm

Thursday 28th November

Blue Class Parent Consultations
 3.30 – 5.30 pm

Friday 29th November

Christmas Fair 2-4pm

Thursday 5th December

Reception Christmas Show
 9.30 Dress Rehearsal – under
 5's/families welcome

2.00 Show – Ticket & Adults Only

Monday 9th December

Yr1 & Yr2 Christmas Show Dress
 Rehearsal 2.00 pm– under
 5's/families welcome

Wednesday 11th December

Yr1 & Yr2 Christmas Show
 2.00pm & 6.00pm – Ticket & Adults
 only

Thursday 12th December

2.40 Childrens Nativity Assembly
 With Jane Robson from Kingswood
 Baptist Church

Monday 16th December

'Mother Goose' Drama Workshop –
 Year 2 only
 'Mother Goose' visiting Pantomime
 – Whole School

Anti-Bullying Poster Competition

Well done to all the children who worked hard and sent in posters for the Anti-bullying Competition. The names of the lucky winners are below and all the posters are displayed on the wall in the dining room. Congratulations to -

ORANGE	Cassie	RED	Arjun
GREEN	Aditya	YELLOW	Stanley
PURPLE	Millie	BLUE	Ayaan
		White	Anya

*****Reception - Christmas Performance Costumes*****

Please would you send all costumes for the Christmas performance to school as soon as possible and by next Thursday, 28th November 2013, at the very latest. If you have any difficulties with sourcing the costume for your child please speak to your child's teacher.

Help Your Child with Maths

If you were not able to get to one of the meetings this week but would like one of the information booklets that were given out please contact Mrs Toombs or the school office for a copy.

Christmas Art Competition

Our school is taking part in a Christmas art competition. A letter has been sent out this week giving details. There is a prize for the winning entrant and a prize of £100 for their school. Please return all entries by Wednesday 4th December – good luck.

Your Journey to School

We are lucky enough to be located in the centre of a friendly residential area built many years ago when cars were few and far between and parents had time to take a stroll to school and back each day. How times have changed! As many parents now work and live further away the journey to school and back is often made by car and parking spaces are at a premium! Please consider our neighbours in Ross Crescent, North Approach, Meadow Road and Briar Road when parking. They also need to get out to drop off or collect their own children or make their journey to work and back so please leave access to driveways to enable them to do this. Thank you for your co-operation.

Christmas Fair – Friday 29th November 2013 – 2.00 pm 4.00 pm

All families are welcome to come to our Christmas Fair next Friday. It starts at 2.00 pm and each class will be running a stall. There will be Tombola, Santa's Grotto, Tattoo, Name the Reindeer, Jewellery, Lucky Dip, Jazzy Jars, Cakes and lots more!

Attendance

Attendance for week beginning 11th November 2013. Late arrivals will be marked as unauthorised absence. Although we like to see all the children in school everyday if your child is suffering from sickness and diarrhoea please keep them away from school for 48hrs after the last episode of sickness or diarrhoea.

If you arrive late please sign your child in at the school office.

ORANGE	93.9%	RED	95.3%
GREEN	95.7%	YELLOW	99.0%
PURPLE	98.6%	BLUE	95.4%
		White	96.1%

Excellent Yellow Class!



Children in Need

Thank you for your support and donations. We collected £385.69!

PLEASE ACCEPT OUR APOLOGIES FOR THE POOR PRINTING QUALITY THIS WEEK - WE HAVE PROBLEMS WITH OUR PHOTO COPIER!

DIARY DATES (cont'd)

Tuesday 17th December
P'zazz, Choir & Recorder Assembly
2.40 pm Parents of groups invited

Wednesday 18th December

Christmas Disco 5-6pm

Rec, Yr1 & Yr2

Thursday 19th December

Christmas Dinner & Class Parties

Friday 20th December

TERM ENDS 1.30 pm

SPRING TERM 2014

Monday 6th January 2014

Inset Day – School closed for children

Tuesday 7th January

Term starts for children

Thursday 23rd January

Yr2 Visit to St. Albans Cathedral

Friday 24th January

Green Class Assembly – 2.30 pm

Families welcome

Wednesday 29th January

Full Governing Body Meeting 7.00

Friday 31st January

Yellow Class Assembly – 2.30 pm

Families welcome

Friday 7th February

Blue Class Assembly – 2.30 pm

Families Welcome

Thursday 13th February

Yr1 Visit V&A Museum

Friday 14th February

Purple Class Assembly – 2.30 pm

Families Welcome

HALF TERM

17th – 21st February 2014

Monday 3rd March

Parent Consultations 3.30-5.30pm

Wednesday 5th March

Parent Consultations 6.00-8.00pm

Letters Sent Out This Week

Snow Procedures

Non Uniform Day Reminder

Art Competition

Yr 1 Visit to v&A Museum

Reception – Christmas

Performance Tickets

Year 2 – SAM Learning

Hotshoe Photography Leaflet

Parentmail Registration

(for parents who haven't registered)