

-----17<sup>th</sup> January 2014-----

### Reception – Winter Wonderland

As part of their winter wonderland topic reception have been looking at ice and snow this week.



They made artificial snow, paper snowflakes and froze water to make ice.

Using their senses they thought of words to describe how ice looked and felt and the sensations when they ate it in the form of ice lollies!



Using resources found in the classroom and recycling materials found in school Red class made a penguin for the polar explorer role play area.

### Year 1 – Forces

Year 1 have been looking at forces this week. They have made windmills and bears from card and split pins to see the effects that different forces can have on an object.



All the children particularly enjoyed making cheese straws. They pushed, pulled and twisted the dough into shapes and observed the effects of the different forces – then cooked and ate them!



### Year 2 – ICT – Can Buildings Speak?

To further develop their investigations into shape and patterns in buildings year 2 have been using the netbooks to recreate the rubbings they took last week using the computer programme Colour Magic.

Next week year 2 will be visiting St. Albans Cathedral to look at and record the space, shape and materials used in the building.



### DIARY DATES

#### SPRING TERM 2014

##### Friday 24<sup>th</sup> January

Green Class Assembly – 2.30 pm  
Families welcome

##### Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January

Full Governing Body Meeting 7.00

##### Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January

Yellow Class Assembly – 2.30 pm  
Families welcome

##### Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February

Blue Class Assembly – 2.30 pm  
Families Welcome

##### Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February

Purple Class Assembly – 2.30 pm  
Families Welcome

#### HALF TERM

17<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> February 2014

##### Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March

Parent Consultations 3.30-5.30pm

##### Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March

Parent Consultations 6.00-8.00pm

##### Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March

World Book Day

Dress up as your favourite book character

##### Monday 10<sup>th</sup> March

Verse Speaking Competition

##### Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March

Maths Carousel

##### Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March

Red Nose Day – Wear your Red Nose - £1.00 to Charity

##### Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March

Verse Speaking Final  
(Parents of finalists invited)

##### Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March

Non Uniform Day for donation of bottles, tins, tombola prizes or £1

##### Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March

Multiskills Competition – Year 1

##### Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March

Governors Meeting  
(Governing Body only)

##### Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March

Non Uniform Day for donation of Easter egg or £1

##### Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April

Easter Fair – 2.00 – 4.00 pm  
All Welcome

##### Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April

End of Spring Term

**TERM ENDS at 1.30 pm**

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## Skip 2B Fit

How many skips can you do in 2 minutes – have you improved your score since last week – do let us know! We have a limited stock of skipping ropes in school which we are selling for £5 so all the family can join in!

Visit Skip2BFit website [www.skip2bfit.com](http://www.skip2bfit.com) for games and fun 2 min music tracks to download.

## Spare Clothes

Our spare clothes cupboard is running low – especially for boys trousers (age 6-7 in particular). If your child borrows clothes please wash and return them as soon as possible, whilst the weather is wet and muddy we need a good supply! If you have any good quality items you are able to donate please send them in or leave at the school office. Thank you.

## Volunteer Induction Meeting – 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2014 – 2.30pm

There is a volunteer induction meeting on the above date for parents and carers who would like to help the children with their learning in school. If you are interested please return the reply slip from the letter sent out earlier this week or telephone the school office to let us know you will be attending.

We will need volunteer helpers for swimming in the summer term and a swimming helper meeting will be held nearer the time. If you are able to help with swimming you will need to attend the meeting even if you have helped with swimming before.

## Attendance

Attendance for week beginning 6<sup>th</sup> January 2014. Late arrivals will be marked as unauthorised absence. *If you arrive late please sign your child in at the school office.*

ORANGE		97.0%	RED		99.2%
GREEN		94.6%	YELLOW		96.0%
PURPLE	87.9%	BLUE	97.8%	White	96.5%

**Excellent Red Class!**

## School Fund Contributions Spring 2014

Thank you to those families who have paid their contribution for this school year. If you haven't made your spring term contribution you can send it to school via the school post boxes, cash in a named envelope, cheques payable to Kingsway Infant School or by debit/credit card on WisePay. Contributions are used to fund resources for science, art, cooking etc. Thank you for your support.

## Special Education Needs

If you have a child with special education needs in a mainstream school you may wish to join a local support group. There is a meeting on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February from 9.45 – 11.15 at Colnbrook School and the focus this term is:- Understanding the Recent Diagnosis for my Child. They are a small friendly group where you can ask questions whilst enjoying a cup of tea! Please let them know if you going so they have enough seats and biscuits! Telephone 0208 428 1281

## School Meals

Please remember school meals must be paid for in advance. You can pay with cash, cheque or a debit/credit card on WisePay.

The cost of meals for spring term 2014 is:-

7 <sup>th</sup> January – 14 <sup>th</sup> February - £59.45	24 <sup>th</sup> February – 4 <sup>th</sup> April - £61.50
6 x Friday fun lunch - £12.30	6 x Friday fun lunch - £12.30

**Reminder – please do not ride scooters or cycles within school grounds**

## DIARY DATES

**Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April**  
**Staff INSET Day – School closed for children**

**Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April**

Term Starts for Children  
St. George's Day – Dress Up as Knight, Princess, Castle, Dragon etc.

**Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> April**

History Carousel

**Friday 25<sup>th</sup> April**

History Hat Competition  
Parade in the playground at 8.55

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May**

White Class Assembly – 2.30pm  
Families welcome

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May**

Red Class Assembly – 2.30pm  
Families Welcome

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> May**

Orange Class Assembly – 2.30pm  
Families welcome

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> May**

Reception

Stockwood Museum Visit

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> May**

Year 1 Whipsnade Zoo Visit

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> May**

African Art Day

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> May**

Dress Up Day – Wednesday Wig Day - Clic Sargeant Charity

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> May**

African Dance Workshops

**HALF TERM**

**26<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> May 2014**

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> June**

Swimming starts every Tuesday and Thursday

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2013**

9.30 am & 7.00 pm

New Parents Meeting for

September 2015 intake

**16<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> June**

National Yr 1 Phonics Test Week

(Yr 2's will be tested if they did not achieve pass mark last year)

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June**

KS1 Shakespeare Workshops

A Midsummers Night Dream

**23<sup>rd</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> June**

Science Week

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June

Science Carousel

## Letters

### Sent Out This Week

Volunteer Induction Meeting

Year 1 & 2

Game On - Ball Sports

Year 2

Game On – Football

CSE February Half Term Courses

Game On Football

Evening Session

Year 2 Recorder Club