

14<sup>th</sup> February 2014

### Head Teacher Award

Congratulations to Orange Class who all received a Head Teacher Award for their Penguin Extravaganza!

### Year 2 – Great Fire of London



Working from their own designs Year 2 have been putting the finishing touches to their London houses in Art & Design this week.

Straw and wooden sticks have been used for the roof – which has yet to be attached to the houses!



### Year 1 Visit the Victoria and Albert Museum of Childhood

There was great excitement yesterday as all three year 1 classes boarded the coach to the museum. To link with their topic for this half term they were looking at toys from the past. They had a great day – I'm sure they told you all about it as they were looking at toys that were popular when their parents were children!



### Reception Classes Making Music!

In reception this week we explored the different sounds of instruments. The children experimented to see how they could change the sound of the instruments.

We are playing the drums!



We are making soft and loud sounds!



### DIARY DATES

#### SPRING TERM 2014

#### HALF TERM

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

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

Fire Service – whole school assembly

Great Fire of London – Year 2

#### 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

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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#### 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

## Skipper of the Week

Charlotte – Yellow Class

276 skips in 2 minutes!

*Congratulations – you have beaten  
Mrs Walmsley!*

## Most Improved Skipper

Samuel – Yellow Class

From 48 skips to 152 skips in 2 minutes!

### Mr Wheeler – Yr 2 Gardening Club

Mr Wheeler will not be available to help with Gardening Club when it resumes later this year. We would like to say a big thank you to Mr Wheeler for all his practical help, knowledge and expertise over the past few years – we will all miss you! We know Mr Wheeler will be exceptionally difficult to replace but if you would be prepared to step up to the challenge please contact Mrs Foulsham, Mrs Walmsley or the school office. No experience necessary but an interest and enjoyment of gardening would be useful! All helpers will need to have, or apply for, a DBS check which can be arranged through school.

### Half Term Achievement Awards

The children receiving an award for this half term have been presented with a certificate in assembly and the list of names has been sent out with this newsletter – congratulations!

### Attendance

*Children who were in school everyday for this half term will be rewarded with a certificate in assembly after the half term break and their names will be published with the next newsletter.*

Attendance for week beginning 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2014. Late arrivals will be marked as unauthorised absence. *If you arrive late please sign your child in at the school office.*

ORANGE	93.4%	RED	89.0%
GREEN	90.3%	YELLOW	85.9%
PURPLE	95.9%	BLUE	91.1%
		White	88.8%

*Well Done Purple Class!*



## Penguin Extravaganza

We are hoping to be able to put video links of Orange class performing their Penguin Extravaganza on our website – check it out soon!

### Leavesden Green Community Hub – Half Term Activities

Leavesden Green Community Hub are running FREE half term activities. Book your place by calling Anne Sillwood on 01923 209186 or email [anne.sillwood@wcht.org.uk](mailto:anne.sillwood@wcht.org.uk). Details of activities as follows:-

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> February 10.00 am – 5.00 pm**

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> February 10.00 am – 1.00 pm**

**Age 5-11 yrs – Please bring a packed lunch**

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> February 10.00 – 2.00 pm**

**Scalextric Day**

**Arts & Crafts**

**Bounce & Giggle  
Soft Play**

*Under 11's must be supervised by an adult*

*Have an enjoyable half term break  
17<sup>th</sup> – 21 February 2014*

### DIARY DATES

#### 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)

#### Monday 23<sup>rd</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

#### Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June

Non Uniform Day – donate bottles,  
tins, tombola prizes or £1

#### Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June

Sept 2014 Intake Visit

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

Sept 2014 Intake Visit

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

Non Uniform Day – donate cakes,  
plants or £1

#### Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July

Summer Fair  
12.00 - 3.00 pm – All Welcome

### Letters Sent Out This Week

Great Fire of London Letter  
Year 2 only

Parent Consultation Letter &  
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