

JUBILEE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

May 2009



WELCOME BACK

I hope you all had a good holiday; plenty of rest, plenty of reading and plenty of fun!

DID YOU HAVE YOUR SAY?



Thank you **SO** much to all of you that let us know what you thought about school. We were so thrilled that the responses were overwhelmingly positive. It means that we are on track most of the time! I have replied, personally, to all those parents who put their name on the form (about 17% of you). There is a display by the main reception showing the results of the survey and Josh has compiled a brilliant film showing some of the clips from the diary room! We have already started to make changes to the school. We are updating the Jungle Gym and replenishing the play equipment. The toilets have

been deep cleaned and we are going to put in air fresheners and liquid soap. The most popular choices of topics will be added into the curriculum next year – and if there's no room there then we will add them the following year.

Thank you all very much; your positive attitudes are one of the reasons why working at Jubilee is so enjoyable!

MAKE 'EM LAUGH... MAKE 'EM LAUGH!

A Have Your Say Day suggestion was to have a monthly joke from you! So if you have any **good** jokes (very funny ones) write them down and give them to Nick Cannon.

If I choose your joke it will appear in the newsletter! Laughter is SO important...come on, who can make me laugh!?



DID YOU PICK YOUR NOSE AT JUBILEE?!

And talking of laughter...on Red Nose Day the whole country managed to raise over 59 million pounds for different charities across the world!!! **At Jubilee we helped this total by raising nearly £600!** This was from selling red noses, wearing something red and from year 6 organising and running their own cake stall. Well done; you are all so kind!

BEING CREATIVE

Have a look at the Arts Beyond the Classroom blog to see the work that the children and parents have been doing in collaboration with Lauriston Primary School. There are some amazing videos and comments; hopefully we will be able to continue the programme next year: www.artsbeyond.org

LONDON FOR FREE! Make use of this wonderful capital city during the Credit Crunch



If you are under 26, you can get **free** theatre tickets at participating theatres from the Arts Council. Look at www.anightlessordinary.org.uk. If (like me) you are over 26 (only just!) you can get free theatre tickets by completing questionnaires and clicking on websites: www.myfreerewards.co.uk

There are also tickets for free preview screenings for new films through www.seefilmfirst.com and www.freecinematickets.co.uk

AND YOU CAN GET FIT FOR FREE TOO!

Swimming is now free for 60s & over and **under 18's** from 1 April 2009. To swim for free simply apply online at www.gll.org/freeswimming to obtain your membership card for a one off £1.00 charge.

And they say there's no such thing as a free lunch...

HOME/SCHOOL PARTNERSHIPS

Our staff training this term is focused around home and school partnerships. We are **extremely** keen to ensure that we are working as well as we possibly can *with* our parents, and that together we are supporting the best possible learning for all of our children. As ever, we welcome all your thoughts and ideas about how you would like to be more involved in school life and engaged with your children's learning. Phase leaders and class teachers will be writing to you soon with lots of new ideas, so watch this space! Thank you for all that you are already doing to contribute to our Jubilee community.

FRIENDS OF JUBILEE: Your School Needs You!

Getting involved with your child's school life is one of the most beneficial things you can do to help them make progress. With this in mind, please come to the Friends of Jubilee Meeting on **Wednesday 6th May in the community centre at 3.30pm**. Refreshments and childcare will be on offer. This is your chance to become part of our community and help make a difference! It's a really good way to make friends and be a part of school life: **you are who we need!**



JUBILEE'S GOT TALENT!

Onur (Year 4) was asked to speak at the Turkish embassy last week as part of the National Children's Festival and Gurkaran (Year 2) went to Downing Street, with Peter, to show the prime minister how brilliant we are at Reading Recovery! What amazingly influential children there are at Jubilee!

BOOK WEEK...



Book Week was a great success - thank you for all your effort in dressing up. Some wonderful costumes from Willy Wonka to Cleopatra!

Winners of the book week reading photo comp:

	KS1	KS2
Cosiest Reader	Molly Foster	Caius Williams
Most Unusual Reader	Erin Carey	Yahya Ahmed

TRIPS FROM SCHOOL: SEASIDE SPECIAL

We are having a School Summer Trip to the seaside (from Year 1 – Year 6)! We had one a few years ago and it was such a success we want to repeat the experience; **but** it costs a **lot** of money, so it is vital that we get as many of your £5 contributions as possible. The trip will be on **Thursday 25th June** (fingers crossed for good weather!). We will need volunteers to come with us but will be sending out more information nearer the time – pop it in your diaries now!



And talking of money...

Any outstanding lunch money needs to be paid to Jill in the office as soon as possible.



TEST WEEK

Most of the school will be doing some sort of tests during the week **May 11th – 15th**. At least then all testing is out of the way at the same time and the school remains quiet for those doing the Government SATS papers. Please make sure that your children get plenty of sleep – as they would normally (but doubly so!) - and are in school during this week.

HOT WEATHER

Just a reminder that as the temperature increases the children may need to have hats and water bottles with them in school. It is really important to drink water throughout the day so please make sure that your child has a labelled water bottle that is taken home and washed/refilled. It is unhygienic to leave them at school and have the children to refilling them without being cleaned first.

ECO NEWS - GETTING NEW FOR OLD!

We are having a clothes recycling bin in school so that if any lost/misplaced school uniform is not claimed within 2 weeks it will be placed in the recycling bin: so please keep an eye on your children's uniform and PE Kit and coats and gloves and...

PLEASE label everything clearly with your child's name!

Fancy chucking out your old jewellery? Please give us anything that is **broken or you no longer wear**. It will be recycled for cash and the school will receive money which will be put towards buying solar panels for our roof. *Everyone who participates will be entered in a draw to win an MP 3 player!*

The envelopes MUST be returned by May 4th: Check first...we don't want your smartest sparklers!



MUGA FOR HIRE

The MUGA is available for hire in the evenings from Monday to Friday from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

For more information contact Mark Conn on 0208 806 5446

FRIDAY ASSEMBLIES: 10.15 – 10.40

Parents/Carers are invited to attend our Friday Celebration Assembly. This is a great opportunity to celebrate the achievements of our children and staff. Awards are presented and each week a different class performs their assembly for the school. Keep asking your child when their assembly will be:

Friday 1 st May	Red Class	Chris Burton & Lee Anne Benjamin
Friday 8 th May	Silver Class	Melissa Davies Oliveck and Crayton Napoleon
Friday 15 th May	Orange Class	Linda Salveson & Seda Gok
Friday 22 nd May	Nursery	Sarah, Helen, Katya & Donna

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 4 th May	BANK HOLIDAY	
11 th -15 th May	SATS week Key Stage 2	
25 th May – 31 st May	HALF TERM	
Thursday 2 nd July	Sports Day	a.m: years 1, 2 & 3/ p.m: yrs 4, 5 & / Early Years to be decided
Friday 17 th July	End of Term	

Always remember you can get an overview of what's happening through the school website; www.jubilee.hackney.sch.uk or check the parents' notice board: we are always interested in your views; there is a new parental involvement policy in the office, so check with Jill or Kerry if you'd like to see it.