

JUBILEE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

October 2009



One month gone already...where does the time go?

COMING IN – THE GOOD AND THE BAD

First, the Good: thank you **so** much to all of you that came in to meet the teachers at our early parents evening – what a success! It was lovely to find out so much about your children (listening is great for us!) – so, many thanks...

And the bad? Just a reminder to everybody...please **do not walk through the building in the morning**, please walk around the school and come through the main entrance. This is mainly for security reasons, we **do need** to know who is coming into school and when...but that aside the corridors get very congested which makes it difficult for us all to get to classes.

And if you are late, don't try to sneak through by years 4 and 5, please come to the main entrance! Thank you – moan over!

SCIENCE WEEK

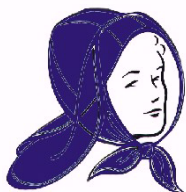
And whilst we're on the subject of coming in; we would like to invite you to our first Open Evening of the year on **Thursday 15th October** between **3.40pm and 5pm** – a chance for you to come in and have a look at the classrooms and the work we have been doing so far. And as a special event, because it's Science Week that week, there will be different demonstrations in class of science activities.



PARENT CHALLENGE: Where did you get that hat?

We would like you to design a hat to stop you getting wet when it rains. Think about the size, the shape and the materials you'll use (and the decoration). And you must start from scratch...you can't just wear your favourite rain hood! We will test them out with real water on **Thursday 15th October at 4pm** in the outside theatre – unless wet!

So why not combine a look at your child's class with a chance to show off your skills for design and show how cool you are about not caring if you get wet! We will provide towels! And prizes for the best!



JUBILEE'S GOT (GREEN) TALENT

Our Eco-warriors, along with Amanda, have been nominated For the 'Green Hero's ' Awards by the Learning Trust and will be attending the award ceremony on Oct 5th. What a brilliant success – well done all of you! This term as one of their many recycling projects they will be working on creating a green sculpture – using newspapers. And speaking of recycling...we still need lots of cereal boxes – **please bring them in on Fridays only!**



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



This month's joke, which made me and Irene howl with laughter, comes from Isaac Libotte in Silver Class:

Knock, Knock

Who's there?

Nana

Nana who?

Nana your business

Can you beat that? Please send your jokes to Nick Cannon as soon as possible. There will be house points for the ones that make me laugh the most and extra ones for those that are in the newsletter.

IT'S A BUNNY OLD WORLD

Ricky and Lola are really settling in well and love being cuddled. It is wonderful to see so many of you getting involved. PLEASE remember: no extra feeding and no touching the cage or sticking fingers through the bars! Check out how **they** feel about school by reading their Bunny Blog on the school website.



BLOGGING

And speaking of blogs: Both Year 6 classes have class blogs. We welcome contributions and comments from children throughout the school and will be keeping parents informed about our topics. Later on in the term children will be writing blog posts themselves for others to comment on.

The addresses are:

www.brownclassbloggers.wordpress.com and: www.bronzeclash.wordpress.com



CHATTERBOOKS READING CLUB

If you're aged 8 and above and love books, the Chatterbooks Reading Group at Stamford Hill Library offers a chance to talk about your favourite books and discover new ones, make friends and have fun. For more information call into the library or speak to Calum Docherty on 020 8356 1630

FREEART FUN

The Victoria and Albert Museum are holding some fantastic creative activities for families in October...check out www.vam.ac.uk/families. There will be Art workshops in half term and some wonderful multi cultural events from India, Africa and the Caribbean.

BLACK HISTORY: Growing Up Black 2 October - 23 January 2010

Hackney Museum is thrilled to announce that the celebrated photographer Dennis Morris has generously donated over 100 of his early photographs. These personal and important pictures provide a real insight into Black British Culture in the 1960s and 70s



HARVEST: Thursday 15th October

Each year we ask for your help at this time of year to think of people less fortunate than ourselves. This year we are asking you for donations of tinned food and dried goods. The 12th Hackney Scouts will package up all your donations and deliver them to local needy families. Please bring in your donations on the morning of Thursday 15th for our assembly. Thank you.

MONEY, MONEY, MONEY!

Please remember to pay your Dinner Money on Mondays. I know it can be hard getting the money together first thing on Monday morning- but getting a big bill is a bigger shock! **Its £8/week or £1.60/day for school lunches.**



LABEL IT OT LOSE IT!

We have bought some bigger bins for lost property which are situated in between Silver and Grey Classes **BUT** this does not mean that they need filling up! PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE write your child's name in **every** piece of school clothing and bags; they are expensive! We will clear out the bins regularly – also please check at the end of the day that your child has what they came to school with (you know better than us and sometimes you child whether they had a coat etc when they started out from home!)



MORRISONS VOUCHERS

We are now collecting Morrisons 'Lets Grow' vouchers: we need lots and lots so we can order lovely new gardening equipment for our school. Start collecting and bring to Amanda/Jill in the office please.

MY BACKPACK ON MY BACK

Many thanks to all those who have brought in backpacks for the Backpack Project; we are still carrying on with the project. This is a simple way of helping children from poor families in countries get to school. Just a reminder - the charity is looking for backpacks (good condition second-hand is fine) filled with the following items: notepad, pencils/pens and other stationery, towel, shorts/skirt, t-shirt or dress, flip flops/sandals, small ball, soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, spoon. Don't worry if you don't have everything on the list, even the bag - just collect what you can.

Please don't put in any extra toys or treats, as this causes problems with customs.

If you can donate a bag or some of these items, or would like more information, please talk to Melissa in Gold Class



GOVERNOR NEWS: A word from our Gabrielle our Chair of Governors

A new school year and our routine business is underway. The Finance and Staffing Committee met last week; the school budget is on track but we do face a tighter funding environment as a result of the general economic position. We need everyone to do their best to pay for clubs and dinner money promptly.

The Teaching and Learning Committee meet next week. They will review the School Improvement Plan, which sets the overall priorities for the next year and will also consider the 2009 end of year results which help us to evaluate how well our pupils are doing against national averages.

We have a vacancy for a parent governor (Lesley Selwyn will be sending a letter home). Parents/carers who can commit to the role, please nominate yourselves!

ASSEMBLIES

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 2 nd October	Purple Class	Fatima Eshina
Friday 9 th October	Green Class	Jenny Thompson
Thursday 15 th October	Harvest Assembly	
Friday 16 th October	Science Week Assembly	
Thursday 22 nd October	Black History Assembly	

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 15 th October	Open Evening and Hat Competition @ 3.30
Half Term	Monday 26 October to Friday 30 October 2009