

# NOT THE News on the Nineteenth

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**April 2010**

## Sports Relief

Thank you to the School Council and Mrs. McKenna for organising events for Sports Relief. We raised a fantastic £1045.64. Many thanks for your generosity.

## May Fayre 16th May

The May Fayre is fast approaching - have you pledged your support yet?

Particular help is needed on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> in the morning to assemble stalls. Please call Gill Sutcliffe on 01707 874388.

### Raffle prizes / cakes

Any donations of raffle prizes and cakes for the May Fayre will be greatly received. Raffle prizes should go to Gill Sutcliffe and cakes can go to the village hall on the day.



### Non uniform Day

14<sup>th</sup> May in exchange for a bottle for the May Fayre.



### **French Club**

Le Club Francais is a national French Club where children are taught French in groups through games, songs and varied activities. If you are interested in your child starting French after half term, please telephone Sue Stratford on 01707 251632 .

### **Street Dance Club**

An eight week course for KS2 children will be held in village hall 3.30pm - 4.30pm each Friday. There is no cost for this activity. If you would your child to attend please complete the slip at the end of this newsletter and return to the school office. We would ask that all children who wish to attend this activity attend all sessions.



### **Gifted and talented**

It's been a busy time for our gifted and talented children with Jeevan, Harry P and Harry L attending an Art session at Green Lanes School. Demi and Harry McHattie attended an archaeological dig at The Ryde School and some Year 6's will be attending A Mission to Mars workshop at Countess Anne School.

### **Sats**

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> - Friday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2010 will see Year 6 take their Sats tests.

Year 3-5 will also be doing assessments during this week.

Please ensure your children attend school during this week and keep up the good practice of making sure your children have a good nights sleep



and a good breakfast. Thank you.

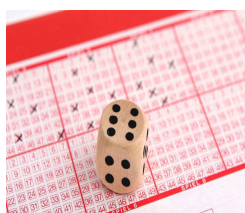
### Bonus Ball

The Lucky gidders this term were:

Julie Millwood

Mrs Morphew

Terri Mangan



The Summer term will be two lots of 6 weeks - remember you have to be in it to win it!! See Sarah Walk for your numbers now.

### Karate

The Karate club is an independent club run by an outside provider. Initially we took children across to the village hall. From this week the club leader will collect children from the school and Mrs. Gaiteri will supervise the crossing of the road.

### Snack time

Key stage 2 children may purchase one healthy snack each day from the snack club, or alternatively bring in a healthy snack from home. Foundation and Key stage 1 children are provided with a healthy snack each day, free of charge.

Children must not buy multiple snacks as this ruins their appetite for lunch.

### Thank you

Many thanks to Mr Morris for his invaluable input into RE week which was focussing on Judaism. Mr Morris said that he was impressed with the children's questions.

## SPORTS DAY

In conjunction with a whole school topic on the football world cup we will be hosting a world cup sports day on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2010. Activities will take place over the whole day with the traditional events taking place after lunch. Parents are invited to picnic with their children at lunchtime on the village green - weather permitting - reserve date 30<sup>th</sup> June. Children normally having school meals will be provided with a packed lunch on this day. Nursery children are welcome to stay with parents and their race is scheduled for directly after lunch. Children will be notified of their colours on the 7<sup>th</sup> June 2010 when their country's team is drawn from the hat. This information will also be posted on the schools website.

### Attendance

The children who received attendance certificates at the Easter service in the church were those children who have had 100% attendance for the whole school year. The following children also received certificates later in the day in recognition of 100% attendance for the Spring Term. They are: Daniel Smith and Lauren Hatch from Adventurers, Raveena Bhullah, Amelia Celimon, Ryan Darby, Vahishta Jila, Olivia Morey, Erin Morris, Millie Northfield, Toby Owen, James Smith and Max Tomlinson from Explorers. Joshua Brown, Amber Darby, Andreas Harkos, Harry Lykourgou, Demi Millwood and Madeline Perry from Pioneers. Ryan Celimon,

### Woodland Area

As you may have noticed during the Easter break, new fencing has been installed around the pond and woodland area. This provides greater safety for all but especially our Foundation children who now have their own woodland area. If you

Rae-Ann Leo, Amber Pryor, Liam Stone and Lucy Waddup.

are able to help us complete this project there are several small jobs on our wish list in the porch.

## Tolmers Camp

Children from Year 4,5 & 6 will be attending Tolmers Camp in July. We are currently finalising details with the camp and hope to have a letter home by the weekend. The trip will take place during the week commencing 12<sup>th</sup> July 2010.



## School Organisation

Headteacher -	Mrs Gaiteri
School Secretary -	Michelle Wolstencroft
<b>Adventurers Teacher</b> (Nursery & Reception) -	Mrs McKenna
Nursery Nurse -	Mrs Stubbs
Teaching Assistant	Mrs Hastings
<b>Explorers Teacher</b> (Year 1 and Year 2) -	Mrs Bower
HLTA	Mrs Vicary
Teaching Assistant -	Mrs Messer
Teaching Assistant	Mrs Kubik
<b>Pioneers Teacher</b> (Year 3 and Year 4) -	Mrs Rocca
Teaching Assistant -	Mrs. Munt
Learning Support Assistants -	Mrs Wright & Mrs Johnston
<b>Discoverers Teacher</b> - (Year 5 and Year 6) -	Miss Bullen
Teaching Assistant -	Mrs Crowsley
Learning Support Assistant -	Mrs Kubik
Special Educational Needs Teacher -	Miss Bryant
Mid-day Supervisor -	Mrs Foster
Mid-day Supervisor -	Mrs Munt
Mid-day Supervisor	Mrs Hastings

## SCHOOL HOLIDAY DATES

New amendments have been made in green.

20 <sup>th</sup> April 2010	Children return to school
23 <sup>RD</sup> April 2010	Street Dance Club village hall
24 <sup>th</sup> April 2010	FTS Meeting 2pm Conservatory

22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2010	African Football tournament Y5/6
25 <sup>th</sup> May 2010	HENs Theatre Company in school
26 <sup>th</sup> May 2010	Year 4/5 to Queenswood to see Charlottes Web
31 <sup>st</sup> May -4 <sup>th</sup> June 2010	Summer Half Term
7 <sup>th</sup> June 2010	Children return to school
9 <sup>th</sup> June 2010	Whole school World Cup Walk
11 <sup>th</sup> June 2010	Discoverers Cake Sale
14 <sup>th</sup> June 2010	G & T Year 6 to Bishops Hatfield School - World War 2
21 <sup>st</sup> June 2010	Governors Meeting
22 <sup>nd</sup> June 2010	Sports Day
25 <sup>th</sup> June 2010	Gifted and talented Creative Workshop at DeHavilland School
29 <sup>th</sup> June 2010	Y5/6 - Author in to talk to children
30 <sup>th</sup> June 2010	Reserve sports day
2 <sup>nd</sup> July 2010	Adventurers and Explorers Cake Sale
8 <sup>th</sup> July 2010	Budget up day
16 <sup>th</sup> July	THE BIG BANG EASTERN STEM SHOWCASE DAY DUXFORD MUSEUM
22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2010	School concert
23 <sup>rd</sup> July 2010	Finish school @ 1.15pm
1 <sup>st</sup> September 2010	Inset Day
2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2010	Children return to school
20 <sup>th</sup> September 2010	Governors Meeting
19 <sup>th</sup> October 2010	BAG2SCHOOL
25 <sup>th</sup> - 29 <sup>th</sup> October 2010	Autumn half term.
15 <sup>th</sup> November 2010	Governors meeting
6 <sup>th</sup> December 2010	O2 Concert
17 <sup>th</sup> December 2010	Finish school @ 1.15pm
20 <sup>th</sup> December-3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2011	Christmas Holiday
21 <sup>st</sup> Feb - 25 <sup>th</sup> Feb 2011	Half term holiday
8 <sup>th</sup> April 2011	Finish school @ 1.15pm
11 - 25 <sup>th</sup> April 2011	Easter holiday
26 <sup>th</sup> April 2011	Children return to school
2nd May 2011	May Day Bank holiday

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## Street Dance

I would like (insert name(s)) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ to attend street dancing.

