



St John's Green Primary School

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Newsletter

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Diary Dates

Wednesday 14th October 9.00a.m.—10.15a.m.— Open Morning.

WB 12th October Harvest Week

Monday 26th—Friday 30th October—Half Term.

Wednesday 21st October 2.45p.m. Year 6 Kingswood Assembly to Year 5/6 parents/children.

Thursday 22nd October 6.00p.m.—Year 6 Residential Meeting for Year 5 parents (Kingswood) at Abbey Field.

Attendance

We conducted the register review this week of attendance for September. As I have mentioned before, all children with attendance of below 90% are now classified as Persistent Absentee (PA) children. Parents of PA children can be referred, by the Education Welfare Officers, for fixed penalty notices because their children are deemed to be missing a significant amount of schooling.

I have written to all parents where children have attendance below 90% and clarified that all attendance will be unauthorised until the child's attendance is above 95%. I have also written to all parents with attendance below 95%.

Please remember that as a school we are happy to administer medicines/calpol to support your children at school. Please just speak to a member of the office staff.

Harvest

Next week, we will be celebrating Harvest at School. We will also be collecting for the local work of the Salvation Army. If you can pop an extra few packets of tinned/dry food into your shopping and ask your children to bring them in, it would be very much appreciated in the local com-

Open Morning

Please remember that next Wednesday is our Open Morning at both sites. This is an opportunity for you as parents to come and see how the children learn during the morning. At both sites, please head to the lower hall for a brief chat from either myself or Mrs Bourne prior to heading to classes.

Sponsored Walk

Please keep collecting the sponsored walk money and hand in to either of the school offices by next Friday 15th October. The money will be going towards new laptops/ipads for the children.



Oddly, Oddly Onker

On Wednesday afternoon battle commenced as Mr Bates, following a sterling demonstration in Monday's assembly, officiated in our annual conker competition.

There can though, only ever be one winner and the final was a closely fought affair between Jacob Hicks and Sarah Mustafa. In the end, Sarah was to emerge triumphant and will be duly crowned St John's Green Conker Champion 2015 as soon as we've got the trophy engraved.

All children are welcome to carry on playing conkers at playtime/lunchtime to put the practise in, ready for next year.



Chair of Governors Report

Our Chair of Governors, Alan Short, has written his annual report for parents. This is on the website, in the 'Governance' section. All parents will also receive a paper copy tonight. Please do have a read through as it is an excellent summary of the different things that have happened in the school and our plans for the future.

At the end of the day, the most overwhelming key to a child's success is the positive involvement of parents.

Jane D.

Awards

Tigger Award (Trinovantes) - Isobel Gilson
Eeyore Award (Oysters) — Freddie Osborn-Hewes
Winnie the Pooh Award (Castle) - Kate Luney
Rory the Lion Award (Dutch) - Zak Natanael
Pluto Award (Iceni) - Samuel Anderson
Sully Award (Mercury) - Quinn Yates
Diddle Award (Claudius) - Riley Thompson
Scrappy Award (Eagles) - Hussein Nada
Bumble Award (Circus) - Olivia Richer
Simba Award (Roses) - Noah Horn
Stitch Award (Chariot) - Mila Turner
Hathi Award (Star) - Oscar Waltho
Mickey Award (Jumbo) - Maci-Blue Cook
Heads' Award — Circus, Eagles & Roses
Attendance — Jumbo
Spot— Wyatt Swain

Year 1 Visit to Hollytrees Museum

Our Year 1 children visited Hollytrees Museum this week as part of their history work, all linked to their theme this assessment period 'On Our Doorstep.'



In the morning, the children explored the house and were given activities: to make a cup and ball toy and puppets of the people who used to live there. After lunch, they had a talk about the house and what life was like during the Victorian era. The children were given rooms from the dolls house showing what Holly-



trees used to look like and were asked to find some items in the room, e.g. hairdryer. The children were then asked why couldn't they be found? There may have been a bit of dressing up thrown in



Maths Challenge

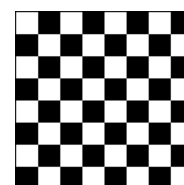
Last weeks solution

31	73	7
13	37	61
67	1	43

Interestingly, all the numbers are odd, and apart from the number 1, all the numbers are prime as well.

This weeks challenge.

How many squares are there on a chess board?



Answers on Mr Bates' door if you are at Town site and on Mr Green's door if you are at Abbey site.

The winning entry each week from each phase will get to choose a free book.

And Finally ...

Mr Bates does seem to take more than his fair share of hits as far as the 'And Finally' is concerned and this week is no exception. As he walked into the staffroom this morning he was introduced, by Mrs Fernandez, to a new member of staff as Miss Hodgson. Clearly Mr Bates is in touch with his feminine side.

Enjoy the weekend

Simon Billings

We are growing
our learning

