

## NEWSLETTER MAY 2015

### <u>Y6 SATS week</u>

Y6 have had a very busy week, working so hard to do their very best so that they can start off their secondary school life in the right abilities groups. We are all so proud of how hard they have worked. Thanks to all of the parents who have supported and worked with their children so that they had a chance to shine.

Thanks to all members of staff who have worked tirelessly to guide and support the pupils in their care.

## Sponsorship event

In the absence of a PTA at New Hall we have had a very generous offer from Summer and Mason Galbraith's dad. Rob, has set himself the challenge of climbing Kilimanjaro in the Autumn of next year. On 6 October 2016 Rob will spend 10 days in Tanzania, then 6 days climbing to the correct altitude followed by 2 days running back down Kilimanjaro. This will be Robs toughest challenge yet.

In preparation for his climbing challenge Rob has successfully climbed Snowdon and is now set to climb Scafell Pike and Ben Nevis.

In the process he is hoping to raise money for both New Hall and Macmillan. Please could you help?

Information on how you can show your support will follow shortly.



#### <u>Get into Grammar School Workshops</u> <u>for Year 5 boys</u>

Bishop Vesey's Grammar School is running two free Get into Grammar School workshops. These two hour workshops are designed to be fun, interactive, challenging and inspirational. Each workshop will support the development of the skills your Gifted and talented boys have in English and Maths. The workshops are being held at Bishop Vesey's Grammar School, Lichfield Road, Sutton Coldfield B74 2NH:

Saturday 6 June from 10.00-12.00 pm



#### TRIP TO PIZZA EXPRESS

The children in Reception recently visited Pizza Express to make pizzas. We have been reading 'The Little Red Hen' and made bread the week before, we then changed the story to 'The Little Red Hen makes pizza'. The children chatted to the chef about what ingredients are used in the dough, what the different kinds of chillies are called and talked about favourite pizza toppings. The children then made their own cheese and tomato pizzas and took them home to share with their families. Mrs Carpenter and Mrs Barham would like to say well done to all the children as their behaviour was excellent while they were out of school.

#### TRIP TO BUDDHIST CENTRE

On Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> April, years 3 and 4 went to visit the Kadampa Meditation Centre in Erdington. Whilst there, we participated in meditation, and learnt the important aspects of the Buddhist faith. Team Toomer, Qayyum and Huxley were also given the opportunity to discuss the various offerings that Buddhists make, and were invited to learn about the different Buddhas and what each of them represent. The visit ended with children having the opportunity to offer a sweet or a flower for the Buddhas, and say a prayer for a loved one. Children and staff thoroughly enjoyed the experience, and it has encouraged all those that attended to develop their awareness of another religion, and to gain a new cultural experience. Year 3/4 would like to thank parents that also attended.



#### MARIE CURIE

To raise money for Marie Curie Cancer Care Lower juniors and Reception grew and sold daffodils and the whole school



had the opportunity to take part in a raffle.

The lucky winners of the raffle were: Team Wood: Danny, Prabh, Harry and Robert Team Palmer: Kai and Sunny Team Barham: Lydia, Amari and Isha Team Huxley: Sophie Baggott Team Toomer: Rehan, Anoushka and Mahder Team Qayyum: Anaborhi

# Well done everyone as we raised a fantastic total of £245.50.



#### STARBURST—Thursday 23 April

Nursery - Cee-Jai Team Barham - Lydia Team Carpenter - Maisie Team Wood - Ahmed Team Davis - Mollie Team Talliss - Sarim Team Qayyum - Mia Team Toomer - Lincoln Team Huxley - Ben Team Palmer - Emily Team Hall - D J

#### STARBURST—Thursday 30 April

Nursery - Riley Team Barham - Rhys Team Carpenter - Trip to Pizza Express Team Wood - Poppy Team Davis - Dontae Team Talliss - Kylie Team Qayyum - Billie-Jo Team Toomer - Callum Team Huxley - Evie Team Palmer - Zainab Team Hall - Tanya

#### STARBURST—Thursday 7 May

Nursery - Ryan Team Barham - Trip to Pizza Express Team Carpenter - Logan Team Wood - Chloe Team Davis - Lily Team Talliss - Alex Team Qayyum - Poppy Team Toomer - Miles Team Huxley - Olivia Team Palmer - Hannah Team Hall - Filip

#### STARBURST—Thursday 14 May

Nursery - Mild Team Barham - Amari Team Carpenter - Mayla Team Wood - Prabh Team Davis - Harry Team Talliss - Luis Team Qayyum - Lacey Team Toomer - Sian Team Huxley - Alfie Team Palmer - Alex

#### REMINDER

If your child is successful at a sport/event outside of school, please let us know so that we can celebrate their success



#### SCHOOL DINNERS

**<u>Reminder</u>** -Price of School dinners are  $\pounds 2.05$  per child per day,  $\pounds 10.25$  per week. All lunch money needs to be handed into class in a sealed envelope. If you have any queries please contact the School office

## LOST PROPERTY



Missing any items of your child's uniform?

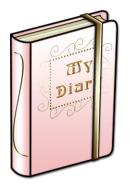
Parents please come and have a look in our Lost Property as it is over flowing with lost items. Anything left in Lost Property after Friday 22 May will be taken to the local Charity shop. Thank you.

## <u>SMOKING</u>

To promote a child healthy environment can you please refrain from smoking outside the school gates. Thank you

#### PARKING

The area in front of the gates leading to the staff carpark is increasingly being used as a dropping off and collecting point. The entrance to the car park needs to be kept clear at all times. Thank you for your cooperation.



#### **DIARY DATES**

- 20 May KS2 Grandparent lunch
- 21 May Nursery Assembly
- 25 May Half Term School Closed
- 1 June School Open
- 9 June Class photos
- 18 June Reception Assembly
- 29 June Inset Day School Closed
- 30 June School Open