# DOWNSELL PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER 28

**5TH MAY 2017** 

#### Dear Parents/Carers,

Last Friday evening it was pleasing to see so many parents/carers present to watch our Year 3 children perform their version of A Midsummer Night's Dream. The children performed spectacularly well and need to be commended for their confidence when performing.

Please take some time to look at our school website for regular updates regarding planned activities and how you can be more involved with your child's learning.

I hope you have a restful weekend and look forward to seeing you at school.

Mr Chetty

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# **KS2 SATS**

Year 6 children will be taking their national curriculum tests (SATs) over the next week. We will be providing free breakfast for them every morning from 8:10 and would like to ask the parents/carers to ensure that the children arrive to school on time and well rested.

Good luck everyone!



Film Night Friday 12th May 3:30—5:45 pm

# **Afterschool clubs**

# Registration re-opened

Although the clubs started a couple of weeks ago and the registration was already closed, many parents approached us asking if their children could still join a club. We have re-opened the registration now and you can go online and sign up if your child still wishes to join a club. However some clubs are full and you will not see them on the Pay+ shop.

We have also opened the Talent (Dancing) club on Wednesdays for Year 1 & 2 children.

## **Dates for the diary:**

#### Breakfast club

Every morning from 7:30

#### Year 6 SATs

Mon 8<sup>th</sup> – Thu 11<sup>th</sup> May

#### **Film Night**

Fri 12<sup>th</sup> May 15:30

#### **Year 2 SATs**

Mon 15<sup>th</sup> May

#### **Empty classroom day**

(Outdoor learning) Thu 18<sup>th</sup> May

## Non-uniform day

Fri 26<sup>th</sup> May

#### Half term holiday

Mon 29<sup>th</sup> May – Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> June

#### **Year 6 Residential**

Mon 5th—Wed 7th June

## <u>Year 1 Parents' Phonics Workshop</u> - the split 'e'

Thank you to all parents, carers and children who came to our most recent phonics workshop.

Well done to the children for showing your parents how we learn the 'split e' sound!

You can view this newsletter in full colour on our school website: www.downsellprimary.org/

#### WINNER! - 4th Plinth Schools Award 2017

Last Thursday 27th May, a very excited Atiya (class Malaysia) took a trip to City Hall in London with her extremely proud parents and Ann our Art Co-ordinator. She was there to receive her award as the borough winner for Waltham Forest in the 4th Plinth Schools Competition.

Children across London were tasked with producing their own ideas for the 4th Plinth in Trafalgar Square. Atiya's simple design was produced with a strong message. Atiya felt that, in life, it's often the big things that are the main focus e.g Big Ben but small things are just as important - SMALL BEN! She has shown that despite what others may think and with determination and faith in your own personality you can achieve your potential.

She received a prize of art materials and a certificate from Justine Simons, the Deputy Mayor for Culture and Creative Industries and the artist David Shrigley.

All winning artwork is on display in City Hall until 30- June -2017.



#### **Uniform orders**

Please remember, when you order uniforms online in our Pay+ Shop, it normally takes 48 hours before you can collect your order from the school office.

We have some uncollected items in the school, if you have ordered anything can you please come to collect it. Thank you.

# **School dinners**

Can you please pay any outstanding amounts on your child/ children dinner account. If you would like to use a computer in the school, you are welcome to do so.

## **Book Fair**

Thank you everyone who visited our book fair this week. It was good to see how interested children were in books and how many children made a purchase. We are pleased to see that our children like reading and you, parents/carers, support them. Thank you.

# **Attendance**

We are pleased to see that many children have improved their attendance. We know that there is still room for improvement and we can work together to achieve this.

The Educational Welfare Officer is working closely with the school to further improve attendance.

To help us in this matter please try and book appointments outside school hours. If this is not possible and you have to take your child to the hospital or GP e.t.c. please bring them to school first and collect them later so they miss as little learning time as possible.

Please also remember to call the school in the morning if your child is unwell.

Thank you.



#### Homework - Gentle reminder

Homework is sent out every Thursday and should be returned on Tuesday. If we receive your child's homework on Wednesday, they will be marked as returning homework 'late'. Any late homework will not be marked as staff have allocated time to mark homework, however we will still give out the next piece of homework. If there are exceptional reasons please talk with your child's teacher.

Thank you.

# And these are our Bravo, Achievement and Golden Award Winners for last and this week. Congratulation to all!

Class	Child's Name		
	BRAVO CARDS	ACHIEVEMENT CARDS	GOLDEN AWARDS
Italy	Basma	Milena	Hajar
Scotland	Marcel	Zaseena	Charlie
Greece	Ehan, Rayan, Salina	Rebecca, Silas, Inaaya Robyn, Andrei	Jayshay, Cristina, Hifsa Salina, Edward, Ayaan
Jamaica	Damian, Linnlatt	Mia, Jawad, Ruqayyah	Umaiza
India	Kene, Tia, Vlad-Mihai Alishba, Nikita	Shuraim, Muhammed Suhayb	Hassan
Morocco	Roxanne	Cayden, Tanya, Roxanne Ismail, Vrunda	Amna
Kosovo	Moinuddin, Ricardo Imane, Sonia, Sara	Ahmad, Fatima Diola, Serena	
Brazil	Neha, Nabeel	Ariana, Rehman	Kacey
New Zealand	Ritica Murshad	Maryam	Marwan
Gibraltar	Jahmara, Tristin Shane, Kara		
Ireland	Bushra, Lahima Ahad, Reehan	Malachi, Reehan	
Norway	Ben, Amna, Firdaus	Sayo, Jathushika Julian, Kyran	
UAE	Abdul Rahman, Haseeb	Dylan, Maryama	Ubaidullah
Pakistan	Eduardo	Lewis	
France	Vithusika	Khadija	Leandro, Madison-Leigh
Malaysia	Haris, Hamid, Aneesha Hadeeqa, Josiana		Eden
Egypt	Elitsa	Kajus	
America	Rohaan, Anisha	Muhammad	Shahzaib, Rohaan
China	Jenniffer, Zahir	Joshua, Hadya, Vikki	Ali
South Africa	Maya	Fatima, Bisma, Sachin	Sumayyah
Spain	Lina, Yusra	Haroon, Safeena	Keneth

New pen licence holders:

Mariana - Gibraltar

Beatrice-Maria - UAE

Reaz & Tosin - Egypt

Olaitan & Ayesha - China

Lina - Spain

Film Night
Friday 12th May
3:30—5:45 pm

# Films to watch:

The Croodu

The Jungle Book—PG
Please pay in advance in the school office, £2.50 per child.