

Spring Term 1 Newsletter Friday 7th February 2020

Dear Parent/Carer,

I hope that you are all very well. This week has been another brilliant and exciting one at Downsell. There were two sports trips, the Year 2 and 5 children were visited by the London Fire Brigade Education Team and we ended the week with Film Club.

As ever, I am very proud of our children and how fantastic their behaviours and attitudes have been across the school so far this term

I look forward to seeing you all next week.

Mr Chetty, Headteacher

Reporting Absences

Parents/carers are responsible for informing the school of any absence by calling the school office. When leaving a message on the absence line, please select option 1 and confirm your child's full name, class and the reason for the absence. Absence must be reported daily.

School Uniform and Lost Property

The children should always come to school each day wearing their full school uniform which includes black shoes. No trainers or hoodies should be worn. If your child has lost a coat, jumper or any other school uniform item please check the lost property which is located in the school office reception. Labelling your child's items with their name and class will help to prevent items going missing.

Keeping Safe After School

The school is not insured for children to use any playground apparatus after school. It is therefore recommended that parents/carers encourage the children not to climb on any equipment in the playground after school. Thank you for helping us to keep your child safe in school. To add to this, please ensure that your child does not use their bike or scooter to ride around the school playground after school times.

Joke of the Week

Q. What does a cow do for fun?

A. Goes to the mooo-vies.



Half-Term Reminder

Please note Downsell Primary School will be closed for the half term during the week of Monday 17th February – Friday 21st February 2020. School will re-open to all staff and children on Monday 24th February 2020.

Sports News

It has been another busy week of sports at Downsell. A group of 9 children from Year 2 went to the Tri-Golf festival for Waltham Forest and had a wonderful time having a go at a new sport. It was great to hear about their experiences when they got back! We have also had children go and try Kurling at Leytonstone Sports Centre. Well done to those involved.

After School Care Provision

There are still spaces available at our after school care provision. This runs from the end of the school day until 7pm, every day. The price is £10 per session. This includes a healthy tea time snack and fresh fruit. There are lots of activities the children can take part in at the provision. This includes board games, small play and arts and crafts.

Non-uniform Day

We will be having a non-uniform day on Friday 14th February 2020. The suggested donation amount is £1. All money raised will go to the charity Children with Cancer UK.

Year 5: Swimming – Class Wembley

Class Wembley are enjoying swimming lessons. The children in the training pool have been developing water confidence. They can now float and blow bubbles in the water. The more experienced swimmers have been learning breast stroke.

Party Bags

As a healthy school we would like to encourage the children to eat healthily and therefore would discourage parents from bringing in sweets to celebrate their child's birthday. Children are welcome to bring in one educational material to share with the class such as a book in order to celebrate their birthday.

Year Group News:

What your child will learn next week

Nursery

Once upon a time – story and nursery rhyme

Fiveness of 5

characters

Looking: fruit salad

Reception

Shared text monkey puzzle – describe a setting

Maths – halving

PSED – working together

Year 1

Maths - Addition using number bonds

Addition crossing the tens barrier & subtraction

Year 2

Maths - 2D & 3D shapes

English – Writing instruction text

Science – Investigating growth of plants

Year 3

English - writing an information text about rainforest animals.

Maths - identifying area and perimeter.

Science - designing and creating our own musical instrument.

Year 4

Maths - Looking at different types of angles

English - Grammar & looking at Charlie and the Chocolate factory - Writing a diary entry

Science - Simple circuit quizzes

Year 5

Maths - Percentages

English – Narrative (cosmic)

Science - Movement of the moon

Year 6

Maths – Measurement (area, perimeter and time)

English – Explanation text about recycling paper

Science – Micro organisms

Awards:

Class	Child's Name			
	BRAVO CARDS	ACHIEVEMENT CARDS	GOLDEN AWARDS	PEN LICENSE
02	Eva,A		Takia	
Buckingham Palace	Hawa	Malak	Ibrahim	
London Eye	Joanna	Samuel, Anaya, Payton	Amina,Haya	
Big Ben			Bilal,Zara, Kyiera	
The Shard			Abdullah	
Uluru	Anna	Ali, Moin, Fatimah	Erik	
Angel Falls	Michael,Leonardo	Emily,Anja,Menaal Darius	Emily	
Atlantis	Kevin,David Callum x2,Sarib		Arifa	
Burj Khalifa	Aaliyah	Maria,Alexandru	Fatima	
Atomium	Miran,Tamarind	Tomiwa,Robyn Yasmin,Zariah	Zariah	
Niagara Falls			Vicky	
Bosphorus Bridge	Teeyano,Aya,Edward,Hifsa Iman	Edward.Magda,Jan,Alexia,Stefani Maesha,Salina,Ehan	Inaaya	
Colosseum	Shuraim,Asad		Aliaa	
Giza			Aisha	
Giant's				
Causeway Statue of Liberty	Neo	Shayan	Talia	
Portcullis			Yusuf	
House Wembley			Mihaela	
White Cliffs of Dover	Bushra,Bushra Alisha x3,Reehan, Falak,Bushra,Mursal		Owais	Alisha
Stonehenge	Amna, Jathushika Firdaus, Maram, Shannon Sebastian, Sayo	Samia,Firdaus	Julian	
Acropolis	Jahmara, Mahim Tristin, Timi, Yasmin	Rayane,Tristin	Timi	