

Issue 25, Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2024

## REMINDER: SCHOOL FINISHES NEXT THURSDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> MARCH AT 1.30PM

Please ensure you collect your child on time at 1.30pm. Children will return after the holidays on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April

## **THIS WEEK:**

**YEAR TWO GREAT FIRE OF LONDON WORKSHOP:** The children had an amazing day yesterday, transported to the 1600's they took part in lots of activities such as embossing leather, weaving and baking bread all interspersed with drama re-enacting the day of the great fire. A huge thank you to the parent volunteers who came in all day, including those from other year groups; without your support this would not have been such a success – several children said "This is the best day ever!!!"

**YEAR ONE TRIP TO KEW GARDENS:** What lovely weather for the trip to Kew Gardens! They had a wonderful time exploring the gardens and found out all about lots of different plants – on their return they were pointing out the plants in school and telling us what they were! Again a huge thank you to the volunteers who came along, without parent support these trips and events would not be possible.

**EASTER ASSEMBLY & BONNETS:** The children came into school this morning in their Easter hats – there were some wonderful creations and really lifted the assembly held by Miss Sands. We talked about the story of Easter and the traditions around this Christian celebration. Thank you to all the Year 2 parents who joined us.

## **REMINDERS FOR NEXT WEEK:**

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> March @ 2.30-3pm & Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March @ 9.15 – 9.45am, Reception Year Spring Show: Parents of our reception children are invited to attend one show to see the reception year singing and dancing around the topic of Spring & Animals. We will also be holding a collection after the shows to raise money for extra resources in the reception year – this will be a bucket collection so please do bring some cash! We have big plans for resourcing and developing our children's learning environment!

Birthday Assembly for those who celebrate 24th March to 13th April will be held on Tues 26th March at 9.05am

**Clubs next week:** Art, Drumming and Chess will have their last sessions on Monday, Dance on Tuesday and Gymnastics on Wednesday. Booking for next term has opened, please see the Parentmail sent out on Wednesday for details of how to book places.

**MEASLES:** This highly contagious disease is on the rise again due to a poor uptake of vaccinations. The UKHSA are encouraging adults to check their MMR status, if you don't have evidence of having had two MMR vaccinations you should see your GP and ask about having them done.

**FUNTIME OVER EASTER HOLIDAYS:** As detailed in previous newsletters, Funtime will be running over the holidays. This will only be possible though if they have enough take up – if there are not enough families signed up in advance then they may need to cancel some (or all) days. If you would like your child to go to Funtime for any amount of days in the holidays, please book now by contacting Sharon on <a href="mailto:shaz.funtime@outlook.com">shaz.funtime@outlook.com</a> or telephoning 07506 030 037

**ORANGE PERFORMING ARTS HOLIDAY CLUB:** We also have OPA running an Easter Musical Theatre Camp in the second week of the holidays. Full details were sent out last week in the newsletter. To book a place go to <a href="https://www.opaacademy.com/camps">www.opaacademy.com/camps</a>

<u>DISCO FOR YEARS ONE & TWO, THURSDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> APRIL:</u> Flyers will be coming out early next week, along with details of how to purchase tickets and volunteer to help. Do look out for the flyer and Parentmail!

A full list of events for the summer term will be issued next week – we already have lots of exciting things lined up!

**GARDEN SUBURB LOTTERY:** The next draw is this Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2024, you could win £25,000! Only £1 per ticket. https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/garden-suburb-junior. You've got to be in it to win it – GOOD LUCK EVERYONE

For other ways to support the school go to our PTA Fundraising page on our website: <u>Garden Suburb Junior & Infant School - How we raise money (gardensuburbinfant.co.uk)</u>

## THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

Birthday Books: We are hoping to set up an Amazon Wish List for the Birthday books, which parents can buy for your child's class to share – we'll let you know when this is read!

We don't allow families to bring in sweets and treats so this a great alternative way to celebrate – whilst increasing the classroom library!

We wish everyone who celebrated their birthday this week (fall on or between 17<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> March) a very happy birthday:

Children in Reception Year: Can in Green Class

Children in Year One: Bethel & Orion in Turquoise

Children in Year Two: George in Purple

A very happy birthday also goes to Ms Cucu who celebrated this week.

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