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NEWSLETTER

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Easter Celebrations

To celebrate Easter there will be a couple of special events taking place in school. Children in Reception and KS1 (Years 1 and 2) are invited to make an Easter bonnet at home, which can be brought into school on Friday 7th April. The children will parade their Easter bonnets in the hall at 2:30pm on this day and their parents are invited to attend this extravaganza!

Children in KS2 (Years 3 to 6) are invited to exercise their creative skills and decorate a hard-boiled egg. Children are asked to bring their decorated eggs into school from Wednesday 5th April onwards. All entries will be displayed in the main reception area and there will be a 1st, 2nd and 3rd prize for each year group, which will be decided after school on Thursday 6th April and announced in assembly on Friday morning (the day we break up for Easter).

Year 5 Assembly

'Firstly, we started to get nervous about acting in front of all the parents. However, despite our nerves we persevered and tried hard. After a while the nerves had gone and we started to shine. In addition to this, we sang our hearts out! However, when it was Davina's turn to dance she got scared, but we still enjoyed it!' - Isabelle (5B)

'The play was really fun and I enjoyed it! The part I liked most was when they danced around Ryan. I had to bang the drums really loudly. At the end we sang some songs and it was fun. We also shouted "hooray" when the woodcutters walked out of the rainforest.

The play was based on the Great Kapok Tree.' - Jay (5P)

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the family members who came along to support our Year 5 children.

Year 5 - Botanical Gardens

'Last Thursday, Year 5 went to the humid, serene Botanical Gardens. First, we went to a classroom which was colourful and a lady called Ruth taught us about all the natural adaptation that we get from the beautiful rainforest. Before long, we were able to hold some stick insects and a chameleon. Also, we saw how a chameleon can flick its tongue out and roll it back in. Later we rolled down a humungous, steep hill! It was sooo much fun.' - Sahej and Tehya (5P)

'First at the Botanical Gardens, we stepped into a scorching, humid room with hundreds of plants. Also, we saw a massive, colourful peacock and a variety of fish. In the afternoon, Year 5 saw a colour changing creature called a chameleon and it stuck its massive tongue out and ate an insect. My favourite part of the day was seeing a long snake slither slowly over the teacher's arm.' - Tristan

The staff at the Botanical Gardens mentioned to Mrs Patterson that they were extremely impressed by the children's general knowledge about rainforests, which is a result of our thematic curriculum and their enthusiasm; they never fail to impress!

Cop Swaps

As many of you will be aware, some of the children in Years 4 to 6 have been collecting Cop Swap Cards since September. Earlier in the week, children who had taken part in the scheme were gathered in the dining room and we were visited by the police. The winner of the Gold Card was selected and the lucky person was.....Blake in Year 5! Next Friday afternoon, Blake will visit Soho House in Handsworth and get to sit in a police car, try on a police uniform, meet police dogs, explore forensics and much more! Well done to all the children who collected the cards.

School Fund

This week £53.00 was collected in School Fund. May I take this opportunity to thank all the parents who have paid, some of whom have paid for the whole half term, as this means we can buy those 'extra' things for the children.

A parent parking message from 4M: 'Leave space, it's not a race!'

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