

CALSHOT PRIMARY SCHOOL

Calshot Road
Great Barr
Birmingham
B42 2BY
Tel: 0121 675 1059
Fax: 0121 675 0430
E mail: enquiry@calshot.bham.sch.uk



Head Teacher: Mr M. Wingrove
Deputy Head Teacher: Miss C. Atterbury

March 11th

NEWSLETTER

www.calshot.bham.sch.uk

At Calshot Primary School we are always **AIMING HIGH!**

Red Nose Day

I want to apologise as I reported in last week's newsletter that Red Nose Day was this week, but it isn't, it is next **Friday 18th March**. Next week children can come to school wearing their own clothes. If they can, we ask that they donate 50 pence towards Comic Relief. Children can also wear their red noses which are now on sale at various outlets. On the day, there will be a cake sale in the Dining Hall at playtime. If families can donate any cakes (bought or homemade), please bring them into school on **Thursday 17th March**, any cakes brought in this week will be saved until next week.

International Women's Day

On Monday children took part in 'International Women's Day', where they found out about women who inspire us and have had an impact in promoting gender equality. Thank you to Mrs Taylor for organising this informative day!

'I like wearing purple on International Women's Day because it means 'Visionary Thinking.' - Rayya (1J)

'On International Women's Day we learnt about Kathrine Johnson. Our class made posters about Katherine and her achievements. Katherine Johnson was a mathematic who worked for NASA. As a woman she had to convince her bosses to let her work at NASA as it was run by boys.' - Abbi (4T)

'In assembly we heard about Amelia Earhart, she was a very brave pilot. She took hot chocolate with her on the plane!' - Ocean (1B)

'We learnt about Katherine Johnson, She was a good mathematician and because of her outstanding skills astronauts landed on the moon. She also won six honorary medals.' - Kai (4J)

'On International Women's Day we celebrate the achievements of women through-out the world.' - Harmann (1J)

'International Women's Day celebrates the important women from around the world. We learnt about Katherine Johnson who helped NASA win the space race.' - Rayyan (4T)

'We learnt about Mary Anning, a fossil hunter. She was hit by lightning as a baby and lived!' - Demarhi (1B)

'On International Women's Day we learnt about Kathrine Johnson. If it wasn't for her Neil Armstrong wouldn't have been able to land on the moon!' - Belkys (4J)

Year 4 Local Walk

On Wednesday the children in Year 4 went on a local walk to explore our local history and to see first-hand where Calshot and the neighbourhood originates from. They looked at the history of William Booth and the influence of the Lunar Society in the midlands. I want to thank Mrs Jones and Mrs Taylor for arranging this very informative trip, I enjoyed it very much too!

'We saw lots of interesting moonstones that had pictures of Matthew Boulton and other members of the Lunar Society on them. We went on an interesting walk and took lots of pictures as we had fun at the park.' - Will (4T)

'Year Four went on a walk to Booth's Farm ruin. We then went to the nature reserve and the moonstones at Asda. We have learnt about Birmingham, The Lunar Society and William Booth.' - Tia (4J)

'At the start we were given maps so we could find our way to the moonstones. On our nature walk we went on a hunt to find clues on trees and bushes. Then we walked through the nature reserve to Asda to see the moonstones with people who started the Lunar Society on them.' - Raeyah (4T)

'We went to see the nature reserve. It was fun as we got to explore and find out about Booth's Farm Road.' - Ayaan (4J)

Year 6 INSPIRE Workshop

On Thursday Year Six had their INSPIRE workshop that informs parents of the preparations their children can make towards their SAT tests in May. I was very pleased to see the parents all having a go at one of the tests themselves, although I've heard they had to have some help from the children. A huge thank you to all the parents who were able to attend and the teachers that organised this very informative workshop.

'The INSPIRE workshop was fun! I liked doing work with my mum, we learnt new things. Mr Colling and Miss Harris explained about SATs.' - Amrit (6C)

'At our SATs INSPIRE workshop we worked with our parents on past SATs papers. It was really fun working with them as we got to see how well they could do with the tests!' - Omarion (6C)

Easter Preparations - Advance Notice

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 going to take part in a sponsored hop for the John Taylor Hospice. Children will bring in £1 and be able to take part in a hopping challenge. Easter bunny ears will be provided! A letter that explains the event will come out shortly.

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 **Tuesday 5th April**. 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 7th April** and announced in assembly on Friday morning (the day we break up for Easter).

Grand Easter Egg Raffle!

Once again, this year, we will be holding our Grand Easter Egg Raffle! There will be three separate raffles: Early Years (Nursery and Reception), KS1 (Year 1 and Year 2) and KS2 (Year 3 to Year 6). At this moment in time, we are simply asking parents to donate Easter Eggs for the raffle. Please pass on eggs directly to your child's class teacher, so that they can be allocated to the relevant raffle. Thank you for your support!

School Fund

This week £17.20 was collected in School Fund this week! May I take this opportunity to thank all the parents who have paid.

Mr. M. Wingrove

(Head Teacher)

