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NEWSLETTER

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At Calshot Primary School we are always AIMING HIGH!

Welcome back, it has been a wonderful week in school. The children have returned with huge smiles on their faces and are really excited to be in class learning and amongst their friends. I hope everyone enjoyed their Easter Holiday and managed to get some time outdoors and took the opportunity to see friends and family. I know some families were able to celebrate Vaisakhi last week, I want to wish them a happy spring harvest. Some families will be celebrating Eid next week, I hope everyone has fun and I look forward to hearing about it when the children return.

Bunny Hop!

Before we broke up for Easter, children in KS1 and Early Years took part in a sponsored bunny hop to raise money for John Taylor Hospice in Erdington and I am over the moon to tell you that you raised a fabulous £460.20 so far. There is still money being sent in and I will tell you the grand total once it's all been counted. A truly remarkable amount of money for a very worthy cause, you should be really proud of yourselves. Well Done!

Year 2 Sutton Park Trip

On the Friday we broke up, the children in Year Two went on a trip to Sutton Park to explore the wildlife as part of their Science curriculum topic. I want to thank the class teachers for arranging this educational visit.

'We looked for signs of spring by doing a nature hunt. We saw birds and blossoms on the trees. We also found lots of mini-beasts.' - Romaine (2H)

'We went on a mini-beast hunt. I found a wasp, a slug and a worm. It was fun!' - Natan (2T)

'We learnt about the history of Sutton Park. King Henry VIII gave it to the people of Sutton as a gift.' - Barbara (2H)

'I liked seeing the ducks on the lake. We had a lovely walk through the woods looking for mini-beasts.' - April (2T)

Year 1 INSPIRE

On Thursday, Year One had their INSPIRE workshop that informed parents of the work the children do in Maths. I was very pleased to see the parents all having a go at some of the calculations (even the difficult ones!). A huge thank you to all the parents who were able to attend and the teachers that organised them.

'I worked with mummy and my sister Scarlett. I loved all of it!' - Amelie (1B)

'My mummy came to help me do a bit of my maths and the rest I did myself. It was good!' - Scarlett (1J)

'My mum worked with me and it was fun. I liked doing all the maths in there.' - Avi (1B)

Y5/6 Girls Football Team

Congratulations to the Year 5 and 6 Girls football team as they continue to go from strength to strength. On Wednesday, the girls won the tournament and became the England Schools' FA U11 7-a-side Schools' Cup 2022 County Winners. Thank you to Miss Trude and Mrs Webb for arranging and supporting the girls.

St George Assembly

'On Monday Miss Atterbury told us about Saint George and how he killed the dragon. Saint George was part of the Roman Army but was not happy how they treated Christians.' - Jaylen (4T)

'Saint George had a sword and defeated a dragon. He is the Patron Saint for England.' - Lechae (4T)

Reception Offer Day Update

Reception National Offer Day was on 19th April 2022. Parents should have been notified via email about September Reception places. We do not allocate places ourselves, Birmingham Local Authority do, we are not able to accept places nor can we hold places for children that didn't apply. Birmingham LA received a total of 16,735 applications for children resident in the city. Birmingham Admissions Team have asked that we remind parents of the importance of applying online for their child's Reception place by visiting www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions. They can also call 0121 303 1888 and speak to a member of the team for further advice. In the meantime, the School Admissions Team will continue to process late applications up until 31 July 2022 to ensure children have a Reception class place for September 2022.

Voting Day

Next week we are **closed** on Thursday 5th May as the school is being used as a polling station. Teachers will instead set work for children to complete either online or on paper.

Mrs Julie Hodgkiss

It is with deep sadness that I have to inform you that Mrs Julie Hodgkiss passed away during the Easter Holiday. She had been very poorly for some time and our thoughts and prayers are with her family and friends. Julie has been a Teaching Assistant at Calshot School for many years and has played a huge part in helping hundreds of children learn and grow. Many families know and have grown up with her, she is much loved for the time and generosity she has given to us all. She will be greatly missed!

School Fund

This week £27.40 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 reminder that Monday 2nd May is a Bank Holiday, school will be closed.

Mr. M. Wingrove

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