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NEWSLETTER

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Black History Celebrations

On Monday, we celebrated Black History Day. We discussed and researched about black role models that have made a difference and helped try to shape a fairer society for everyone. I would like to thank Miss Harris (Y2) for organising the day.

'We should treat everyone the same because we are all equal.' - Zhangjie (2T)

'This week we have been learning about Black History, it was fun! Year Four looked at Martin Luther King Junior. He fought for equal rights and made a very famous speech.' - Ella (4J)

'Black History Day was fun! We talked about how everyone should be treated the same.' - Esha (2H)

'For Black History, Year Four have been learning about Martin Luther King Jr. He inspired black people to stand up for their rights and also enabled black people to be able to sit on buses.' - Cole (4M)

'We learnt about Serena Williams; she is an inspiration. You shouldn't treat people differently because of their skin colour.' - Amelia (2T)

'This week we have been learning about Black History. We made a picture about Martin Luther King Jr for a competition. Martin was a good person who fought for black people's rights.' - Vinny (4J)

'We learnt about Serena Williams who is a famous tennis player. I enjoyed making my poster.' - Erik (2H)

'Today we learnt about Martin Luther King Jr. As part of our activity, we got to find out all about him and draw a poster. Mr Mitchell will then decide which one is the best to go on a display.' - Mia (4M)

Terrible Tudors

On Tuesday, Year Five treated us to their wonderful class assembly all about the Tudors. The children performed brilliantly, the singing was exceptional and Henry VIII was a joy to behold. I know there were a lot of very proud parents in the audience too. A big thank you to the teachers who organised everything behind the scenes, I know how much work goes on to make sure a production like this goes so smoothly. Well Done Year Five!

'On Tuesday we did our Tudor play in front of our parents. I was the main role King Henry VIII, I had to get dressed up in fancy clothes and wear a pillow. Everyone laughed, but it was funny!' - Shiloh (5S)

'Our assembly was an amazing experience, I enjoyed learning all the fun facts. I loved my role and the songs were really catchy.' - Sienna (5W)

'Our play was all about the 'Terrible Tudors'. Our play showed us what happened in history and why King Henry had so many wives. We answered the mystery of why the ship 'Mary Rose' sank and how Catherine Parr outlived the king.' - Leiyah (5S)

'Our class assembly was really fun! I learnt a lot and it was a good experience to learn all the actions and lines. We couldn't have done it without the help of all the teachers.' - Aryan (5W)

Spooky Disco Day

On Monday 23rd October is 'Spooky Disco Day'. Children from Year One to Six can bring in £2.00 to gain entrance to the disco and dress in non-school uniform. Children in Nursery and Reception can bring in a £1.00 and dress in non-uniform, unfortunately we can't offer the after school disco for them. More information will be sent out from the Friends of Calshot PTA team.

School Dinners

I want to make parents aware that pre-ordered paid meals must be cancelled if your child is not in school. Dolce kitchen have informed us that you will be charged for the meal otherwise. If the meal is not cancelled, the kitchen will presume the child is in school and prepare the meal as usual, which incurs the cost.

Dolce have informed us that as of now any child that has an outstanding debt will not be able to have a school dinner. In the past we have enabled an emergency meal to be provided but this has now been rescinded by the company. Parents need to provide a packed lunch, until the debt is paid. If a family qualifies for a free school meal this won't be affected.

Year 6 Parents - Secondary School Places

We have been asked by Birmingham Admissions to remind Year 6 parents they must make an application for secondary schools. Applications for secondary schools can be made online by visiting the Birmingham City Council website www.birmingham.gov.uk/schooladmissions and the deadline for applications is **31st October 2023**. If you require assistance, please ring the Admissions and Appeals Department on 0121 303 1888. If you live outside of Birmingham, you have to apply directly to the Local Authority that you live in.

Reception and Nursery Open Days

The Reception and Nursery Open Days for prospective pupils for September 2024 are being held on **Wednesday 15th November 2023 (9:30am - 10:30am)** and **Thursday 16th November 2023 (4:30pm - 5:30pm)**. Please ring the school to confirm your attendance.

Council proposal to change 40mph roads to 30mph

Birmingham City Council is asking for parent's views on proposals to reduce the speed limit to 30mph on most roads that currently have a speed limit of 40mph. The aim is to reduce speed, improve road safety and

encourage active travel, such as walking and cycling, following concerns about dangerous and antisocial behaviour from some drivers.

The proposed roads are shown in the link below.

https://www.birmingham.gov.uk/news/article/1397/reducing_speed_and_improving_road_safety?utm_content=&utm_medium=email&utm_name=&utm_source=govdelivery&utm_term=

School Fund

This week £29.50 was collected in School Fund this week, which is superb! May I take this opportunity to thank all the parents who have paid. It does mean we can buy those 'extra' things for the children.

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