

Cannon Lane School Newsletter

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Welcome back! I hope that you all had a healthy and relaxing Easter break. The summer term is always a busy one in school as we prepare for different music festivals and sports events, end of year assessments and the Year 6 residential visit to the Isle of Wight. We recently published a calendar of events for the summer term and this can be found on our school website.

London Mayoral Election

You will no doubt be aware that the **London Mayoral Election takes place on Thursday 5th May** and we have been informed by Harrow Council that Cannon Lane School will be used as a polling station. As the number of people voting in the London Mayoral Election is anticipated to be smaller than in General Elections, we have reached an agreement with the Council to keep the school open on this day (to avoid any inconvenience for working parents) and to use a downstairs classroom nearest to the front of school (3AM's classroom) for polling. The Council will be providing staff for this including a security guard who will be on site at all times to ensure that the correct procedures are followed. There will be no access into the school building for the general public other than into this one classroom. I will be working with Mrs Manazhy to provide an alternative room in school for 3AM on this day.

The school site will not be used as a polling station for the EU Referendum on Thursday 23rd June and the school will be open as normal on this day.

E-Safety

Next week children will be taking part in a number of lessons and assemblies to learn more about keeping safe online. This will involve all children in school and activities will be adapted according to the age of children. We are planning to run some afternoon and evening workshops for parents later this term to provide guidance on internet safety – we hope that you will find this useful. Further information will follow in due course.



Staffing Update

Mrs Edwards (one of our Assistant Headteachers) was recently appointed as Headteacher at Bourne Primary School in Hillingdon, starting in September 2016. Mrs Edwards has made a significant contribution to Cannon Lane School since joining us last year and I know that she will be missed by staff and pupils. I am sure that you will join me in wishing Mrs Edwards all the best in her first Headteacher position.

Book Fair

**BOOK
FAIR**
COMING SOON!

The school is holding a Book Fair on Monday 25th, Tuesday 26th and Wednesday 27th April. The fair will be held on each of these days from 3.15pm – 4.00pm in the downstairs hall. Please come and support this event as every book purchased will benefit the school. If you still have your £1 token from World Book Day, you will be able to use it at the Book Fair.

Consultation on Cannon Lane School's Sex and Relationships Education (SRE) Policy

Class teachers and school governors have recently been reviewing our school policy for sex and relationships education.

Sex and relationships education teaches children about the emotional, social and physical aspects of growing up, in the context of positive and respectful relationships. Some aspects of SRE are taught in science lessons, and others are taught as part of personal, social and health education (PSHE). In addition to this, there are discrete units of work which are taught to children as they progress through the school.

Our draft policy will be posted on the school website later this week (go to 'information / policies'). We would value your feedback on this and all comments will be considered by the governing body before the policy is approved. If you have any questions about this policy, please contact either myself or Mrs Mistry - we would be very happy to meet with you. Please send any comments to the school office (by letter or by email) by **Friday 6th May**. Thank you.

Cannon Lane Primary School – We are Writers (A book of poems)

Mrs Ford, (one of our Year 3 teachers), worked hard with the teachers and children last term to put together our very own book of poems. Every child from Year 1 – Year 6 has now become a published author with their entry being included in the book. An order form is attached to this newsletter which will enable parents and grandparents to buy copies of this book priced at £5.99. World Book Day tokens can also be used against this purchase. Hard copies of the order form are available from our reception desk on request. I am told that this book can only be purchased by advance order and **it will not be possible to order copies after Wednesday 27th April**. We hope that you will be able to support this.

Harrow Music Fair with Instrument Zoo Monday 25th April 2016



On 25th April from 4-7pm Harrow Music Service is holding a Music Fair at the Elliott Hall, Harrow Arts Centre. If you would like to know about the opportunities for instrumental lessons, choir singing, or playing in a group you are very welcome to attend.

The Fair will include music teachers to talk to, live music from young musicians and performing groups, information about music exams, displays and the chance for 'hands on' experience on musical instruments.

FREE ENTRY, COME ALONG AT ANY TIME, WE'D LIKE TO MEET YOU

With best wishes,

Mr A Phillips
Headteacher