

Cannon Lane School Newsletter

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Retirement

After 17 years of hard work at Cannon Lane School our Deputy Headteacher, Mrs Richmond will be retiring at the end of this term. Mrs Richmond has been a great support to so many children, parents and members of staff over the years and we will be very sorry to say goodbye. I'm sure you will join me in wishing Mrs Richmond the very best for the future. In addition to this, Mrs Longhurst, our school administrator will retire at the beginning of September after 27 years at Cannon Lane. She has been such a kind and helpful presence in our school office and she will be greatly missed. If parents would like to contribute to a gift for Mrs Richmond and / or Mrs Longhurst, please send your contribution into the school office in a clearly marked envelope. Thank you.

Staff Leavers

As we approach the end of the school year, we are sorry to say goodbye to a number of teachers as they move on to new opportunities in the future. Cannon Lane is a very big school now with more than one hundred staff and whilst we are sad to say goodbye to valued colleagues, it is inevitable that this will happen from time to time.

Miss Patel and Miss Cochrane two of our Reception teachers are moving to new schools to take on different challenges. Mrs Allen and Miss Morton are leaving Cannon Lane after many years of hard work and dedication. Both have achieved a promotion and we wish them all the best for the future. Miss Soma will be moving on to a school in Hillingdon where she will be taking on the role of Phase Leader. Mrs Bishop will be taking up a specialist music teacher role nearer to her home. Miss Oak is moving house and will be working at a school in South London. Mr McLachlan is moving on to new opportunities in Barcelona. Mr Aggarwall will be taking up the position of Year Group Leader at a school in Ealing. Mr Masters, our PE teacher will be returning to Australia. We will be very sorry to say goodbye to these teachers who have made a big contribution to our school and wish them all the very best for the future.

We have recently appointed a number of new teachers for our growing school (we'll be up to 750 children in September!). I have been very pleased with our appointments and am sure that your children will be excited to meet their new teachers next week.

Teaching Arrangements for 2016-2017

Attached to this newsletter you will find a list of all the teachers and teaching arrangements for the next academic year. Once again we will be having a 'Meet the Teacher' event early in the Autumn Term so that you (parents) have the opportunity to meet with your child's new class teacher. We hope that you will find this useful.

Transition Day

On Wednesday 29th June, children will be given the opportunity to move up to their new class for the morning to spend time with their teacher for next year. This is intended to be a fun time where children get to know their new teacher and take part in some enjoyable and creative activities together. Teachers who are starting in September will be joining us for the day and we are all very much looking forward to working with them.

School Sports Day



Please be reminded that our **School Sports Day** will take place on **Friday 1st July** (reserve date of Friday 8th July in case of rain). Children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 will participate in the morning (starting at 9.30am and finishing by midday). Children in Years 3-6 will take part in the afternoon starting at 1pm. Sports Day will combine a range of field events with races on the track. A separate letter will be sent out providing details of how Sports Day will be organised. We hope to see you there!

Summer Songfest

On Tuesday 14th June the Cannon Choir took part in Harrow Music Service's annual Song Festival. Cannon Lane were joined by a further six schools from across the borough, with well over two hundred singers. This wonderful event was conducted by the highly regarded choral leader Jo McNally. Rehearsal ran from 9:30am - 2:45pm, with a short break for lunch. The Cannon Choir worked incredibly hard and it was clear that our weeks of preparation had paid off.

The evening performance was a triumph and the children performed beautifully. The audience were so thrilled that the children received an encore and a standing ovation! I was incredibly proud of all the children, and would like to thank our parents for attending the concert in such great numbers. Pupils who took part in the World Music Festival may be interested to know that there are some fantastic pictures available on the Harrow Music Service website www.harrowmusic.org From Mr Kirwan

Breakfast Club

Our brand new Breakfast Club is up and running! We've had positive feedback from our parents and I'm pleased to confirm that this will continue from September. The cost is £4.00 per session and this includes a healthy breakfast. Children also have the opportunity to play calm, educational and fun games. The Breakfast Club starts at 7.45am each day.

The booking form will soon be available on our school website. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact me if you would like more information - Michelle Elrick, 07771995687

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Cannon Lane School Art Exhibition

In the last few weeks, children have been very busy in school producing some stunning pictures and we are delighted to invite you to an exhibition of your children's artwork! This event will be held in our own art gallery (the converted downstairs school hall)! The children will be able to view the pictures during the day and the gallery will be open to parents after school on **13th and 14th July from 3:15pm until 3.45pm.** Just like other galleries the children's original artwork will be framed, mounted and catalogued allowing parents to browse and view the mini-master pieces. Your child's pictures will be available for you to buy on the day for £6.50 each. There is, of course, no obligation for you to buy a picture if you don't want to. By staging this event we are aiming to develop the children's understanding of the value of art in our lives. We look forward to seeing you there! All proceeds will go towards the purchase of additional resources for our art lessons. Kind regards Miss Soma.

Summer Fair

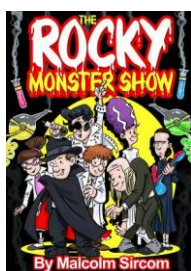
Thank you to everyone who supported our Summer Fair and Circus last weekend. It was a really fantastic day! Thank you in particular to Mrs Vyas and her team for organising this event and to everyone who helped with manning a stall, or helping behind the scenes. Your help and support is very much appreciated.

Year 6 Leavers' Assembly

On Tuesday 19th July, we will be having a 'graduation' or leavers' assembly for our Year 6 children. This will be an opportunity to congratulate the children on their achievements at Cannon Lane and wish them all the best for the future. We would be delighted if Year 6 parents would be able to join us for this. The assembly will begin at 1.45pm and be finished by 3.00pm. Thank you.



Year 6 production 'The Rocky Monster Show'



Our Year 6 children have been working hard to prepare for their production of 'The Rocky Monster Show'. There will be two performances (for Year 6 parents) on Tuesday 12th July, one at 2pm and an evening performance at 7pm. Further information will be sent out to Year 6 parents.

With best wishes, Mr Phillips