

# Year 3 and 4 Newsletter

## Welcome Back!

Welcome to our first newsletter of this new academic year! It has been a busy time with children settling back into the routine of learning and getting used to new classrooms, as well as new teachers! Children have been very busy working hard and producing some brilliant pieces of work, even though this is the first term since the start of the academic year!

This newsletter provides information about a few events that have happened this half term, as well as future events! We hope you find this newsletter very informative. If there is anything that you would like to discuss then please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your continued support.

Mrs Mistry and the children and staff in Years 3 and 4.



## Chiltern Open Air Museum

*On Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October and Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October, Year 3 visited the Chiltern Open Air Museum. This trip was to consolidate and enhance children's learning and understanding about the Stone Age. The children, staff and parent helpers endured the wet and windy weather and had a great time making bracelets, clay pots and learning about life during that particular period of history. Overall, everyone had a wonderful time!*

**'I liked making the string out of sticks because I got to smash the flint onto the sticks.'** Shayaan 3R

**'I liked dressing up as a wolf because I got to run around and pretend to be chased by a wolf.'** Alisha 3TM.

**'I liked making the paint out of charcoal and making the pots out of the clay from the ground.'** Daisy 3R

**'I enjoyed making the butter out of the cream and making the pottery out of the clay from the ground.'** Imam 3JM

**'The best thing I liked was making the fire on cotton wool because I got to make fire!'** Daniel 3TM

**'I liked making the fire because even though I thought that it wouldn't be safe, it was actually safe making the fire!'** Ariyan 3JM



### **'Great expectations'**

Children in both year groups have been working very hard, producing some amazing pieces of work. Year 4 children have been planning, writing and editing some wonderful poetry, which is on display in the Year 4 corridor. Hopefully, you will have had the opportunity to read a few, whilst attending the first Parent Consultation meeting. Children in year 3 have also been working hard producing some excellent work, especially in maths. Keep it up!

## Rosh Hashanah

On Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> October, Rabbi Lea conducted an informative assembly about Rosh Hashanah (Jewish New Year.) Rabbi Lea explained the importance of the Jewish festival as well as discussing her role as a Rabbi. The children were lucky enough to see and hear the Shifar being played by the Rabbi; they were astonished by its sound!



## 'When I'm cleaning windows!'

This term, Year 3 have the exciting opportunity to learn and play ukuleles. Mr Kirwan, has taken on this new challenge, bringing the enthusiasm needed to teach such a wonderful instrument. All the children have been given their own ukuleles to look after and practise with. So far, the children are really enjoying learning and taking part in their Music lessons, which will culminate in a concert at the end of the academic year.



## Values:

We began the year by focusing on the value of 'Responsibility.' Through assemblies and class discussion, we shared our understanding about the value and ways in which it can be learnt and appreciated by everyone in school. This month's value is 'Understanding,' where members of SLT and staff have discussed the importance of understanding each other and yourself. November's value will be 'Justice' and December will discuss the value of 'Humility.' Please try to discuss these values at home.

Responsibility

Understanding Others

Justice

humility

## Healthy Eating:

As part of the 'Teeth and Healthy Eating' topic in Year 4, children have been sharing their views about the school meals to ensure meals are healthy and nutritious for lunch. Some children even met the school chef!



## Moor Park Run:



On Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September, children in Years 3 and 4, as well as some in Years 5 and 6, took part in the Moor Park Run. All the children who took part enjoyed the day, as they were cheered on by family and friends. Miss Rackham also ran in the event and was extremely proud of all the children who took part. Well done.

## Here are a few thoughts from the children...

*'I loved finishing the race because I thought I would come last, but I wasn't. I came 32<sup>nd</sup> out of 100! Jack 4M*

*'I enjoyed running and competing. It was a great day. I get nervous at the start, but was fine afterwards. I came 64<sup>th</sup> out of 199!' Jonathan 4LSM*

*'I like running 1 mile and racing with my friends. I am going to do this run every year.' Elias 3R*

## Diary Dates:

**24<sup>th</sup> October-28<sup>th</sup> October:** Half term

**31<sup>st</sup> October:** Training Day

**1<sup>st</sup> November:** Return to school

**3<sup>rd</sup> November:** 3R Class assembly

**8<sup>th</sup> November:** Head teacher's coffee and questions (2:00pm-3:00pm)

**10<sup>th</sup> November:** 3JM Class assembly

**10<sup>th</sup> November:** Maths workshop (2:00pm-3:00pm/6:00pm-7:00pm)

**3<sup>rd</sup> December:** Christmas Fayre (12:00pm-3:00pm)

**9<sup>th</sup> December:** Google Virtual Expedition

**14<sup>th</sup> December:** Egyptian Day (4LSM and 4P)

**15<sup>th</sup> December:** Egyptian Day (4J and 4M)

**20<sup>th</sup> December:** Class Christmas parties