



Year 3 and 4 Newsletter



Pedestrian Training for years 3 and 4.



A very Merry Christmas to you all!

What an amazing term! Years 3 and 4 have been working so hard this term, producing high quality work and taking part in numerous events for their year groups and for the school. Both year groups have been on some excellent trips to enrich and consolidate their learning, as well as presenting some outstanding class assemblies to entertain the children and parents. Children and staff rehearsed and took part in the Christmas Carol concert at Pinner High School and are really looking forward to their class Christmas parties! The children have shown high levels of resilience this term, which has been noticed by the quality of their work, across a range of subjects. Hopefully this will continue to develop into 2017! We would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Best Wishes Mrs Mistry and the children and staff of Years 3 and 4

Egyptian Day



On Wednesday 14th December and Thursday 15th December, children in year 4 were transported back to Ancient Egypt. Over the two days, each class was able to take part in a variety of activities that were popular during the Egyptian era such as writing in hieroglyphics, bread making, tomb painting, embalming and lots more. Children, as well as staff, looked splendid as they dressed up as Egyptians for the day. In the afternoon, the children were invited to an Egyptian banquet, by the pronouncement of the Pharaoh! A wonderful time was had by all and it was also an exciting way to end the term's learning about this particular period in history. A special thank you to all of the parents who came and supported the children during the day; it was greatly appreciated.

"I enjoyed flattening the bread because it was quite hard, but lots of fun!" Mia 4LSM

"I really enjoyed being the drummer in the banquet because I got to taste all of the food and I felt really royal." Tiviyan 4LSM

"I liked making the oils out of olives because it was something new and fun." Saim 4P

"I enjoyed the feast because we got to see lots of people perform and we also got some food!" Isabella 4P





Christmas Carol Concert – Pinner High School

On Monday 12th December, year 3 and 4 took part in a Christmas Carol concert, at Pinner High School. The children and teachers had been rehearsing for many weeks, resulting in a brilliantly performed carol concert. All of the children sang beautifully and really brought the spirit of Christmas alive during the evening. The concert was enjoyed by all who attended. Thank you to all of the children who took part, parents and staff, especially Mr. Kirwan who has been instrumental in coordinating the carols, rehearsing with the children and teachers, as well as making the whole event lots of fun!

“It was really nice because I got to see my parents. My favourite song was the 12 days of Christmas because I got to perform it with actions.” Mekaal 3TM

“I liked how everybody was making an effort to the parents. My favourite part was the teachers singing because I’ve never seen them sing before!” Trish 4M



Christingle Workshop

3JM and 3R were very lucky to take part in a Christingle workshop during this month, which was held at Cannon Lane Methodist Church. The children made their own Christingles and learnt about the true meaning behind the festive decorations. Many of the children were very excited to take home their ornaments and share their learning at home. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed their time at the church!



Google Expeditions



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On November 7th, children in years 3 and 4 were treated to an amazing session delivered by Google expeditions. Using virtual reality goggles, children were able to ‘visit’ places such as Ancient Egypt, Space, Coral Reef and Mount Everest! The lesson was greatly received by all of the children and staff, who were totally amazed by this resource, as well as consolidating the teaching and learning within the class. A big thank you to Mrs Manazhy for organising such a wonderful experience.

“It was fun because I got to go to different places. I liked Mount Everest because when you looked down, it was like falling down a hole!” Lara 3TM

“I liked how they came to see us. I got to explore places I’d never seen, like Space. I saw lots of planets, especially Neptune.”Avni 4M



Christmas Fair Poster Competition

I’m sure you all had a great time at the Cannon Lane Christmas Fair on Saturday 3rd December. As part of the preparation, Friends of Cannon Lane Primary School, hold a poster competition to help choose a design for the fair’s poster. This year, the luck winner was Jamie in year 3. Along with two other children, who were runners up, they all received a box of chocolates as a reward for their hard work and participation. Congratulations!

Anti-bullying week

As part of Anti-Bullying week, year 4 created some brilliant work to promote the theme for this year; ‘power for good.’ Many children wrote raps, drew posters and even created some anti-bullying super heroes as part of their home learning. Year 4 teachers were very impressed by the level of maturity and sensitivity by which the children delivered their anti-bullying messages. 4P even did the popular ‘mannequin challenge,’ to promote the message in a creative way.





Values

Justice was the value of the month in November, which was discussed in weekly assemblies and classes too. Teachers in years 3 and 4, as well as members of the Senior Leadership Team, shared ideas about fairness in school, as well as global issues regarding justice, such as Armistice Day and equal opportunities around the world. December's value was Humility which talked about the importance of not boasting in front of others and accepting things that they may not be fond about. January's value will be Happiness and February will focus on Thoughtfulness. We would appreciate your support in sharing these values at home.



Tag Rugby

For the past 6 weeks, year 3 has been learning Tag Rugby skills and games, which have been taught by a specialist from Barnet Rugby Club. Coach Kazeem has been putting the year 3 children through their paces, encouraging them to work as part of a team and share good practice. You never know, maybe we'll see some of our children represent Team GB in the Olympics! Thank you to Miss Rackham for organising this opportunity.

Maths workshop

A very big thank you to all of the parents who attended the 'Maths workshops,' I hope they were very useful! All of the resources that were used can be found on the school website: 'curriculum -helping your child.' Here are a few comments by parents:

'Very informative session. Thank you.'

'It was very helpful.'

'These sessions are always valuable.'

'Keep up the workshops- they are very useful'.

'Very stimulating and interactive'.

Diary dates...

Christmas Jumper Day – **Friday 16th December (voluntary contribution for Save the Children - £1)**

Class Christmas Parties – **Tuesday 20th December (more information to follow.)**

End of Term – **Wednesday 21st December 1:30pm**

Year 4 Natural History Museum trip – **13th January 2017**

