

This week we have been very impressed with the amount of pupil achievements not only awarded in school but also outside of school. The number of head teacher and class teacher postcards awarded has very impressive and demonstrates the children's commitment to excel and take pride in their learning.

We saw the return of Fizz Pop Science this week with Gooley Stewy leading two workshops for our Year 2 and Year 4 pupils. The workshops were linked to the current topics of learning and the children had a fab time. Mrs Chapman has posted photos on our website under 'latest news' so if you have some time, do take a look. The link to our website is here:

If you are looking for activities for the half term break to support with childcare or to keep your child busy, Allstars are offering a football course to Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 pupils. A separate parent mail will be sent with more information. Wishing you all an enjoyable weekend.



## Pupil Special Achievements & Awards:

**Headteacher Postcard:** Elise, Willow (R), Peaches, Rose (Y5)

**Teacher Postcard:** Paige, Lettie (Y3) Avani, David, Rex (Y4)

**Orange Belt Karate:** Rohan (Y3)

**Football Medal:** Caley (Y3)

**Blue Peter Badge:** Tabitha (Y5)

**Football Player of the Match:** Velencie (Y2)

**Swimming Certificates:** Level 5: Isaiah (Y5) 800m: Asta (Y5);

Stage 1: Zariya (Y1); 25m Ronnie (Y1) Rohan (Y3); 100m Max (Y3); 50m Olivia (Y3)

**Pen licence:** Abhinav (Y3)

**Handwriting Heroes:** Ronnie, Elise, Ruby W (Y1) Elsie-May, Zachary, Antonio, Florence, James (Y2)

**TT Rock Star:** Avani, Michelle, Rex, Rhys, Ruben, Charlotte, David, Reuben, Yasmin, Martha, Matilda, Jamie (Y4) Jasmine, Daisy, Oliver, Suveer, Henry, George (Y1) Jasmine, Poppy, Mina (Y2)

**TT Rock Legend:** Hardaya, Sofia, Jacob, Harbir, Samuel, Billy, Sonya, Hema, Ruby, Maheera, Keerit (Y4) Vivienne, Maxim (Y1)

## Pupil Voice:

This week some of our Year 4 pupils share their thoughts on a science workshop on sound. Here's what they had to say...

*"I learned from Fizz Pop Science that you can make a ball move with sound. I enjoyed this lesson, creating my own musical instrument"*  
Matilda

*"A scientist taught us about sound. There were phone's that were plastic cups ... we used plastic straws to make musical instruments. It was fun"* Reuben

*"The science fair with Gooley Stewy – I loved it. We made really cool sounds with straws; hangers and even cups plus we made a harmonica and a horn"* Talha



## Notices:

### Uniform

Please be reminded that trainers should only be worn to school on the days that your child has PE or an afterschool sports club. They are not part of our standard uniform and should not be worn at any other time. The only exception to this, is our EY pupils who are allowed to wear plain black trainers as part of their uniform.

### Award for Betsy

We are delighted that Betsy (and Belmont) have been awarded with the Gold Dog Mentor Award. A member of the Dog Mentor team visited Belmont this morning and along with Mrs Place, observed Betsy in school, the mentor was incredibly impressed with what she saw. Our intention is to further train our staff and pupils to work with Betsy. Well done to Besty!



## Diary Dates:



Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> February – Year 2 trip to Colchester Zoo

Friday 4<sup>th</sup> February – NSPCC Number Day (see separate Parent Mail)

Monday 7<sup>th</sup> February - National Internet Safety Day (school based activities)

## Community News

Do you have a pre-school aged child? Are you looking for an interactive stay and play session?

Boppin' Bunnies offer fun and educational music classes for children aged 3 months to 4 years. The sessions are led by trained musicians and are held in various locations across South East London.

Please see the attached flyer for more information.

## Attendance and Punctuality:

School attendance is mandatory for all pupils.



This year we continue to have high attendance aspirations for all pupils and have kept our whole school attendance target at 96.5%.

Last week our attendance was 95%, which meets the government's minimum expectation of 95% but remains below our school target. This week our attendance is 94.9% which is just below the government expectation and below our target

The highest attendance last week goes to Wren class who had 98% attendance. Well done to all the pupils in Hepworth Class. This week Warhol class had the highest attendance with 98.2%. Well done to all pupils in Warhol Class!

Parents are reminded, term time holidays are not authorised and will result in a fine.

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