



# Marlborough Primary School Newsletter - 6th February 2015



Equality within diversity  
Creative and curious

Inclusive and enabling  
Resilient lifelong learners

*learning to be, learning to know,  
learning to live, learning to learn*

Dear Parents,  
As we head speedily towards half term there are a few things to let you know about. From Monday 9th February we welcome Tony Magnante as our new temporary Facilities Manager. This is a new role and Tony will be ensuring that the school premises are looked after in a strategic way. Courtney Rinaldi has begun working as an intervention teacher in Year 3 for 2 days a week. You may have noticed that work has begun on the Clearings site which will be our interim school from September 2015.  
Best wishes,  
Ms Finer  
Headteacher

### Always children

Last Friday the following children were chosen as the Always Children for January and attended a healthy tea with Ms Finer. This month the children tried a Sharon fruit - most children had never tasted this fruit! Amel really didn't want to taste it but was very brave and in the end tried it and loved it! It was described as sweet, juicy and delicious!

<b>RBB</b>	Kevin	<b>Y3BM</b>	Cem
<b>RLB</b>	Amel	<b>Y3SOC</b>	Fahim
<b>Y1LR</b>	Ayman	<b>Y4AW</b>	Mahd
<b>Y1VD</b>	Leon	<b>Y4JAP</b>	Maryam
<b>Y2KH</b>	Tiam	<b>Y5CZ</b>	Natalie
<b>Y2TM</b>	Alexia	<b>Y6TJM</b>	Zarifa

### Shelter Box

We now have three Shelter Boxes and you can track these by going to [www.youngshelterbox.org](http://www.youngshelterbox.org) and looking for these box numbers:  
YSB0006167    YSB0006169    YSB0006170



As yet no one has brought any information to school about where our Shelter Boxes are! We need to know so why not get busy! What does the website tell us about our boxes and do you know exactly where in the world the boxes have gone and for what reason?

### Why we call you when your child has bumped their head

If your child bumps their head at school we always contact parents. This is firstly to let you know that this has happened and that your child has been seen by a qualified First Aider and to let you know if it is serious or not. Secondly we call you in case you wish to come and check your child yourself if we think it is not serious or requiring medical attention. Bumps to the head are always logged on a special form which you are given when you collect your child.

### Safeguarding - new policy about Collection of pupils and Walking home alone

Please see attached policies. One is regarding collection of your child at the end of the day and the other is regarding permission for your child to walk home alone. Please note that only children who are in Year 5 or 6 are allowed to walk home alone and therefore the policy has only been given to children in these classes.

It is important that you are aware of the procedures for collection and that you inform the school when ever you are not picking your child up at the end of the day. We have also reviewed our internal policy on Missing Children.

### New School website

The school website is being re-designed and will hopefully be ready before the end of this term! This is very exciting but is a time consuming task. Information will be more streamlined and there will be a search facility to make it easier to find what you are looking for. Most schools have now moved to having a professionally designed website. We will let you know when the new site goes live.

### Reception Stay & Learn and Phonics Workshop

On Thursday reception classes hosted a Stay and Learn session and also ran a phonics workshop for parents. We had a full house so thank you to everyone who attended and a big thank you to the Foundation Stage team who made this possible.



### Holland Park Ecology Centre

The RBKC Ecology Service will be running environmental activities for children during the February half term holiday utilising the park and our wooded Wildlife Area. Our fun packed programme for 5-10 year olds will include sessions on creepy crawlies, animal tracks, spring, orienteering, worms and birds.

- Meet at Holland Park Ecology Centre, near the Abbotsbury Road Car Park and the adventure playground
  - £4.20 per two hour session (RBKC residents) or £5.40 per two hour session (non-residents)
- Booking and pre-payment is essential. Call on 020 7938 8186 or email [ecology\\_centre@rbkc.gov.uk](mailto:ecology_centre@rbkc.gov.uk)

### Parental behaviour on school grounds

Parents are expected to behave respectfully to everyone within the school community when on school grounds. Parents who do not respect this rule could find themselves banned from entering the site.

As mentioned in the past, if you have any issue about the behaviour of another parents child you must inform a member of senior staff rather than take matters into your own hands and deal with the issue yourself.

### Friday morning parents meetings

On Friday 13th February at 9.30am Belinda Evans will be running a session for all parents about E-Safety. The session promises to be a very informative and interesting. As things change so quickly in the on-line world it will be beneficial to attend even if you have done so before. All welcome!



### Dates for the Diary

#### February

9th-13th	Be Safe Week
10th	Safer Internet Day
11th	Y5&Y6 Primary Games Festival (Sportshall Athletics)
13th	Y5 Mozart in London performance
16th-20th	HALF TERM
23rd	Inset Day - School Closed

### Half term Play Centre

#### Play Centre

Park Walk School Kings Road SW10 0AY 0207 351 6867	Holy Trinity School Sedding Street SW1X 9DE 07976 060 225
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Many leaflets to be found in the bottom hall regarding half term holiday activities.

### Class Assembly Dates

Class assemblies are held on a Wednesday morning at 9:10am.

#### February

**11th** Y2TM

#### March

**4th** Y1VD

**11th** RLB

**18th** Y5

**25th** Y4JAP



#### May

**6th** Y3SOC

**20th** Y2KH

#### June

**9th** Y1LR

**17th** RBB

**24th** Nursery

Please note change of day to Y1LR class assembly.

There is only one class assembly each year so please make a note of the date in your diary so you can attend otherwise you will not have a chance to see your child in an assembly until the following academic year. Children get very upset if a member of the family is not there to support them.

### School Uniform reminders

Most children are coming to school every day with the correct uniform and look very smart indeed. However there are few small things to remind you of:

**Socks or tights** - these should be white, grey, black or navy and not be patterned or with stripes

**Hair bands and bobbles** - these should be white or navy

**Hair styles** - long hair needs to be tied back and away from the face, this applies to boys and girls. Please do not send your child to school with patterns cut into their hair or fashion cuts such as a Mohican.

**Head scarves** - these should be white or navy

**Footwear** - children should wear leather shoes of black or navy. If children come to school in boots they need to change into shoes once inside.

Please label all clothing with your child's name so things can be easily returned if lost or mislaid.

### Attendance



Last week Y6 managed to achieve 100% attendance and became the new cup holders! Well done to Y6. Sadly every class had at least 2 late arrivals during the week so no one was able to claim the punctuality cup. Being on time means being here before 9am!

### Dual Language Library

The dual language library is open for parents to come and read with their children in their home language or borrow books every Wednesday from 3pm. All welcome!