



As-salamu alaykum (peace be with you)

Dear Parents and Carers,

The reception children participated in their first educational visit to the London Zoo. The visit was successful. The children acted as good ambassadors for The Olive School. Their good behaviour was commented by a number of people. The children were fascinated by the different animals and learnt a lot about animals in their habits. We would like to say a big THANK YOU to all the parents and carers for completing the return slips and making payments in good time which ensured the visit ran smoothly from the start.

Hot Weather

As the weather becomes warmer we would like the children to feel as comfortable as possible. Please can you ensure that you send your child to school with a sun hat—sun glasses are not permitted. You can also apply sun cream to their skin before coming to school. Some children are coming to school with long sleeve tops underneath their white school shirts. This is not part of the school uniform and wearing extra items of clothing such as these will only add to their discomfort. We have noticed an increasing number of children are not wearing the correct foot wear—please note only black shoes are permitted.

Medication

If you have notified the school that your child suffers from asthma, it is essential that you provide us with an up to date inhaler. It is also important that before it expires you replace it. It has also come to our attention that previously we have information that children have certain medical conditions, but when we have contacted parents we are told that their child no longer has the condition. If this is the case, we need parents to inform the school in writing of any changes so that we can update medical records and they are kept accurate.

P.E Uniform

This is still an on going issue for a number of children. P.E is a fundamental part of the curriculum and it is important that children wear the correct clothing to participate. We will be contacting parents whose children regularly forget to bring their P.E kit.

Phonics

The Phonics Screening Test will take place the week beginning 16th June for Year 1. The teachers are working hard to ensure all children meet the expected standard. Please support your child by going over the phonics homework provided by your child's class teacher. You can also refer to the phonics booklet provided in the first term (it can be downloaded from the school's website). You can also visit the following website for further phonic activities: <http://resources.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/interactive/literacy.html#12>

Diary Dates

2nd June—School opens for Summer 2.

5th June—Head teacher's Surgery.

6th June—Curriculum newsletters sent out.

6th June—Report Card 5 sent out.

11th June—School Council Meeting.

11th June—Education Committee meeting.

16th June—Year 1 Phonics Screening Tests.

17th June - Business Committee Meeting.

18th June—Welcome meeting for parents/carers of new Reception intake.

21st June—School Summer Fair.

23rd June—Super Week.

25th June—Full Governing Body Meeting.

Future Newsletter Dates:

27th June 2014



Stars of the Week

In school each class celebrates children's achievements on a weekly basis. The effort that children make in all aspects of school life is applauded and their hard work and perseverance recognised.

Stars of the Week for 1st May—23rd May:

Ibn Zubayr: Maria Hussain, Adyan Abdul, Rayan Ahmad, Eesa Mangera

Ibn Umar: Eliya Khan, Amaar Saleh, Sumaya Abdihabib, Gibrail Ghanchi

Bint Muhammad: Aleenah Langdi, Mariya Al Abida, Medina Khan, Ehsan Rawat

Ibn Salamah: Nawaal Abdirashid, Meriam Zemat, Talha Zubair, Farzad Fazli

Ibn Thaabit: Muhammad Ali Sayed, Ismail Butt, Aribha Chowdhry, Mohamad Zakariya Solkar

Bint Qays: Maryam Mohosin, Aya Yahoui, Kulthum Chowdhry, Ya'qoub Aarab

School Council

The school council held their first meeting on the 8th May. To begin with the children agreed and set the rules on how they would conduct themselves in the meetings. The meeting was chaired by myself and minutes of the meeting were taken by Mrs. Balesaria. Together the school council decided that their overall aim would be to help to make "The Olive School Hackney a fabulous place to be!" Some of the points on the agenda discussed included, inspirational people and the summer fair. In the next meeting a member from Summer Fair Working Party will join the School Council to discuss the children's views and ensure that their ideas are incorporated in the Summer Fair. The minutes of this meeting have been placed on the website. Please feel free to read them.

Free Meals

The Olive School Governing Body has agreed to provide school uniform, P.E uniform, P.E bag and book bag free of charge to each child who is entitled to free meals. Please register with the school office. Please note this is applicable for the new academic year 2014-2015.

Summer Fair

The Olive School Hackney Summer Fair will be taking place from 11am-4pm on Saturday 21st June 2014 at the NLMCC, 66-68 Cazenove Road, N16 6AA. Please see the accompanying flyer for more details.

Reception Visit to the London Zoo

The staff were delighted with the reception children who behaved beautifully at The London Zoo. The children were struck with awe and wonder at every moment as they viewed a variety of incredible animals at the zoo. The children observed how animals interact with each other, move, feed and care for their young. This valuable experience will now help children to contextualise their learning when they study the 'Animals' topic next term.



Attendance

Overall attendance: 95% (our target is 97%).

Bint Qays	Ibn Zubayr	Ibn Salamah	Ibn Umar	Bint Muhammad	Ibn Thabit
96%	95%	95%	94%	94%	94%

Congratulations to Bint Qays for best attendance!