



As-salamu alaykum (peace be with you)

Dear Parents and Carers,

March is a very busy month for the school, with many activities and events taking place, starting with Commonwealth Day on the 11th, where the children will research the different countries that make up the Commonwealth. Our book fair is starting on 14th March, if you would like to volunteer and help during this event, please see Miss Nou at the UTC or Mr Rahman at the Cazenove site for more details.

18th March is the start of Science Week, look out for activities and events that your child will take part in with Forensic and Silly Science workshops for both the younger and older children.

World Book Day

Thank you to both the parents and pupils for the effort put into creating such fantastic costumes. I must also thank staff for their participation. The children carried out a variety of activities throughout the day and enjoyed taking part in the story telling workshop. Thank you to Miss Nou and Mr Rahman for organising this wonderful day!



RED NOSE DAY

On Friday 15th March we will be taking part in Red Nose Day. Children are permitted to wear an item of red clothing for a donation of £1 for charity.



7th Year 5 trip to Kidzania

7th World Book Day

11th Commonwealth Day

12th Reception Mini-beast Workshop

12th Nurse health checks for Reception

13th Simon Marks/Olive sport Competition

14th Book Fair Cazenove and UTC

15th Report Cards sent out

15th Red Nose Day

15th Ibn Amr Class Assembly

18th Biker's Breakfast Cazenove

18th Science Week

18th Forensic Science Workshop

19th Forensic Science Workshop

20th Dinosaur Workshop Reception

20th Silly Science Workshop UTC

22nd Al Farsi Class Assembly

25th Anti-bullying Workshop Cazenove

26th Anti-bullying Workshop UTC

27th Extreme BMX display Cazenove/UTC

29th Ibn Al Awwamm Assembly



SPORTS NEWS

On 14th February Y6 girls football team were hosted by Arsenal FC, as well as a number of other schools within Islington and Hackney. After failing to progress through the group stages, they were invited to take part in a Plate competition. Having won the semi-final 1-0, they reached the final and ended in a stale mate. Extra time couldn't separate the two sides, so the game had to be decided on penalties. The Olive were narrowly edged, losing 4-2 on penalties and coming home empty handed.

Two weeks later, the boys were invited to the identical tournament, and started the tournament strong with a 3-0 win. Another win followed, with the next ending in a draw. Only three teams would progress the group stage, so the final game was a must win in order to secure their passage into the knock out rounds. The boys ended up losing 2-0, with progress hanging on a thread, relying on other results to go their way. Fortunately they progressed, however only in vain, after losing in the first knock out stage. The boys have come a long way from their first game less than a year ago, where by it would be an achievement to even score a single goal within a tournament of several games. Well done!

Last half term we had Young Hackney come to the Cazenove site to teach tennis to Y5 & 6. This half term at the UTC, we are very fortunate to have Middlesex Cricket Club coming to coach our Year 3s. They are keen to leave a legacy as England host the cricket world cup this summer.

Several Y4, 5 & 6 children last week competed in their first cycling road race at the Velopark in Stratford with more racing taking place this week.

Staying on the bike theme, we are hosting our second Biker's breakfast on Monday 18th March, where children who ride into school will have their bikes checked by a qualified mechanic and be fed a delicious breakfast, yum!



Olive's Got Talent

The next stage of auditions are now underway and members of the senior leadership team have seen some wonderful talents across the school, in-



cluding judo, football skills, singing, public speaking and comedy acts, to name but a few! The final auditions should take place

this week with the final date due to take place towards the end of March—watch this space!



Winter Gift Project Winners!

Ibn Umar won the Winter Gift Project prize, raising £310.55 for charity! They will now decide what they would like as a class prize! Well done to all members of the community who raised money for this worthy cause.



Communication with Staff

We would like to encourage parents to come and speak to us if you would like information about the school or if you have concerns about your child.

General enquiries and information: Salma Ahmad (Office Manager)

Step 1: Arrange an appointment with the class teacher of your child's class.

Step 2: If you feel that the issue has not been resolved, arrange an appointment with the lead teacher of the year group. **Reception:** Ms Begum/Ms Mamodo, **Year 1:** Ms Begum, **Year 2:** Mr Katongle, **Year 3:** Ms Begum, **Year 4:** Ms Bauhadoor, **Year 5:** Mr Sayed, **Year 6:** Ms Barrett

Step 3: Arrange an appointment with the Deputy Headteacher.

Step 4: Arrange an appointment to meet with the Headteacher.

Unless it is an emergency, parents will be unable to have a same day appointment, however an appointment will be made as soon as possible. The Office Manager will request some very brief details from parents regarding the nature of the meeting before the meeting can go ahead. This will ensure the staff are fully prepared for the meeting. Please do not stop members of staff during the start of the school day for an appointment, please go straight to the office.

Website and Twitter

Keep up to date with events at the Olive school Hackney:

olivehackney.com

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