Olive School Hackney



9th-13th March 2020

Principal's Welcome

As-salamu alaykum (peace be with you)

Dear Parents,

I know that you are concerned about coronavirus in the school, I would like to reassure you that we are doing our best to ensure that the school is kept clean and hygienic. The children have been told to wash their hands with soap as soon as they come into school, especially if they use public transport. All toilets have soap and classrooms have ample hand gel to use throughout the day.

The school's cleaners are also working extra hours to clean parts of the school which are in constant hand contact – doors, door handles and bannisters to name a few. The school will remain open as usual with all planned activities going ahead until further notice.





- 16th Parents' Evening
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- 18th Year 1 trip to Whipsnade Zoo
- 18th Reception Steel Pan Workshop
- 0 19th Bookfair
- 24th Ibn Amr visiting William Patten
- 25th Year 5 trip to British Museum
- 26th Reception trip to London Zoo
- 26th Year 5 trip to British Museum
- 27th Ibn Salamah Assembly
- 27th Alive 'n' Kicking Workshop
- 30th Bikeability Year 5

Parents' Evening

On 16th and 17th March we will be holding our spring term parents' meetings. If you have not received a slip with your appointment time, please let your child's class teacher know. Please make sure you come to your appointment on time so that all parents are seen on time.

Book in a Box and Extreme Reading Competition

Last week we celebrated World Book Day. We had a large amount of children taking part in our competitions and saw some fantastic Books in Boxes and some very creative ways of reading books for the Extreme Reading challenge!

The winners for Book in a Box from Year 1 and 2 are:

1st) Maaria Mullan

2nd) Maryam Akhoon

3rd) Uthmaan Maljee

The winners for Book in a Box for Year 3 and 4 are:

1st) Nasisa Mullah

2nd) Soumaya Kherrab

3rd) Rayyan Hinds



The winner for the Extreme Reading Challenge at the UTC is: Taibah Dobir for this fantastic photo!



Reception, Year 5 and 6 Winners

The winners for Book in a Box from Reception are: 1st) Isa Sidat

2nd) Isa Potts

3rd) The Snail and the Whale

The Winner for the Extreme Reading Challenge at Cazenove is:

Umar Maljee for his Extreme photo!



The winners for Book in a Box from Year 5 and 6 are:

1st) Zakariya Bhaimiya 2nd) Summayyah Akhoon 3rd) Huda Khan

STAR AWARDS 2020

Congratulations to Ridwan Hirse, Year 5, for winning the Star Academy Inspirational Learner of the Year Award! Ridwan has worked extremely hard and was nominated by the staff at the school for the tremendous efforts in his learning – well done, Ridwan!



One of our governors, Mark Hageman was nominated as outstanding governor of the year for his help with reading and DebateMate in the school – we really appreciate his hard work and support with this.



Year 4 Visit to Sea Life

Year 4 visited the Sealife centre in London this week as part of their science topic. The animals that stole the show were the sharks and the penguins. The children were really excited to be so close to these majestic creatures. The children got the opportunity to stoke a starfish and also saw jelly fish close up.









16th March 2020 What's going on this week?



Turkey opened its borders for Syrian refugees to leave its territory for Europe at the end of February. So far hundreds of thousands have left Turkey. Many Syrians have fled their home country, following dangerous conditions and fighting due to the ongoing civil war there. Fife Council in Scotland has one of the highest rates of resettlement for Syrian refugees in the UK. During the increasingly unsettled situation in Syria, Fife are wanting to help more families and have said they will continue to welcome many more families this year.

Things to talk about at home...

- Have you always lived where you live now? If not, talk about what it was like moving. If you moved to a different place, talk about what that was like.
- What do you think might be some of the challenges of moving to a different country?

British Values

16th-22nd March

Mutual Respect

A refugee is someone who has been forced to flee their home due to a dangerous situation. Refugees have a right to protection under the UN 1951 Convention which includes the right to a safe place to live.