



# NEWSLETTER



**Volume 9 No 30. 13th May 2016**

**Dates for the summer term**

## Dear Parents,

There is a lot of information to squeeze into this week's newsletter so the children's learning section will be taking a break and will be back next week.

### **KS2 SATS week:**

It has been a tough week for all Year 6 children across the country as they have had to sit the new harder KS2 SATs. Our children were remarkably resilient and did their absolute best and we are very proud of them all. They will receive their results in July.

### **Food Hygiene rating:**

We are delighted to let you know that in a recent food hygiene inspection, our kitchen was given the highest rating of "5". This means our hygiene standards are as good as they can be. Well done and thanks to Alberta and the kitchen staff!

### **Walk to school week:**

Walk to School week starts on Monday and this is a national event. The children will have a diary to fill in each day and a class sticker chart. Some classes will have the opportunity to bring home a pedometer to count their steps and this will be recorded in their diaries. Children who walk some of their journey every day for the week, will be rewarded with a Strider badge, certificate and a magnet.

### **National Vegetarian week:**

On Wednesday, along with the usual menu, the children will be offered sugar snap peas and asparagus. On Thursday some children will be offered the option to taste the difference between 'meat' free lasagne and regular lasagne. We will be giving each class some peas in a pod for the children to shell for lunch on Thursday together with corn on the cob. Please remember to ask the children if they had anything different for lunch on those days.

### **Governance at Friars:**

It has been a busy year for us so far! At the beginning of the school year, the school leadership team worked with parents, pupils and staff to finalise work on the vision for Friars and this was adopted at the full Governing Body meeting in September 2015. Our vision and values are proudly posted on our website.

Since September, Governors have had Committee meetings and two full governing body meetings to discuss important issues such as school leadership; progress and achievement of pupils; quality of teaching; safety at school; the curriculum and other matters. We have also made school visits which help us to see the school at work; get to know our school community better and provide support for activities at Friars. We welcomed two new community governors, Tayyibah Arif and Caroline Gershon, from the law firm WGM. They both bring with them a wealth of experience from their profession, as well as a keen interest in education.

We have also continued to ensure we are aware of our responsibilities through attending Southwark and in house training and continue to reflect on and evaluate our contribution to Friars. This includes helping the school consolidate on the success of the June 2015 OFSTED inspection and helping prepare to move towards outstanding.

Finally, it was really nice to meet with parents/carers at Coffee morning in March and hear their thoughts and feedback. We know that parents/carers have also completed the school survey to provide feedback about their experience and their children's experience at Friars. We really do value your feedback and will be discussing the survey results and other important matters at our next meeting on 17th May.

Best wishes, Lara Akpojiyowwi, vice chair of the Governing Body

**Monday 16th May to Friday 20th May**—KS1 SATs week

**Monday 16th May** – final Year 2 swimming session

**Monday 16th – Friday 20th May** – Application focus week

**Tuesday 17th May**—Y6 to TFL citizenship course

**Wednesday 18th May** - YN to Battersea Park; Y3 to Dulwich Wood

**Thursday 19th May**—Parent coffee morning 9-9:30 ICT suite

**Friday 20th May**—YR to Battersea Park; Y4 to Big Dance festival

**Monday 23rd May** – Y6 start swimming sessions

**Tuesday 24th May**—Y1 to London Zoo

**Wednesday 25th May** – RE focus day (Judaism)

**Thursday 26th May**—Y2 to The Brixton Chocolate Museum

**Friday 27th May** – Y5 to Southwark Primary Schools dance festival @ The Scoop; **Y6 cinema trip**

**Monday 30th May – Friday 3rd June** – Half term break

**Monday 6th to Friday 10th June**—Y5/6 to Wick Court

**Thursday 9th June**—Y5/6 rounders tournament @ Dulwich Park

**Monday 13th June**—Y2 to Sky Garden; Y1 phonics assessments

**Thursday 16th June**—Y5 at Into Uni.

**Tuesday 5th July**—whole school capital cities day

### **Thought for the week on Kindness:**

"No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted." Aesop

**Tel:** 020 7207 1807

**E-mail:** office@friars.southwark.sch.uk

**Web:** www.friarsprimaryschool.com

**Have a great weekend!**  
Yours sincerely,  
**J. Burtt, Headteacher**



**EYFS/KS1**

**Year Rec**

**Ocean Gibbons**

for remembering how to spell lots of words (especially anything to do with fire engines!).

**Well Done!**



**KS2**

**Year Five**

**Reuben Alcock**

for his interest & enthusiasm in all areas of his learning!

**Well Done!**



**Assembly theme / value for next week:**

**Ascension/Pentecost/Trinity Sunday**



	Class	ATTENDANCE
1st	6	94.5%
2nd	4	93.4%
3rd	3	92.7%
4th	2	92.1%
5th	1	89.0%
6th	5	86.0%
7th	R	84.7%



	Class	ON TIME
1st	4 & 6	96.9%
2nd	2	95.2%
3rd	3	94.7%
4th	1	93.3% <sup>5</sup>
5th	5	89.2%
6th	R	86.5%
7th	-	-