



Friars Primary Foundation School



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Dear Parents,

Year 6 SATs:

Year 6 took their tests in reading, spelling, punctuation and grammar and maths this week. The results of these tests will enable the children to show how ready they are for secondary school. All the children have worked incredibly hard all year (as have many teachers and teaching assistants, not least Miss Midgley the Y6 class teacher) and deserve to do well. Thankyou also to all you parents who encouraged and supported them through the tests. They took the tests extremely seriously and it was heartening to see such commitment and effort on their part. They can now relax (for a bit!)

Polling day May 22nd:

Please remember that we will have to close the school to children next Thursday (May 22nd) as Southwark council have compelled us to be a polling station. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause and will of course refund any breakfast, after school or extra-curricular fees for that day.

Enrichment activities next week:

As we come to the end of what has been a very eventful but short half term, there are lots of amazing activities for the children to enjoy next week. On Tuesday the Early Years and Year 1 will have a performance of "The Gingerbread Man" and take part in workshops with the theatre group performing for them; Year 4 and Year 2 will continue with their computing workshops run by the Wandsworth city learning centre (this is also a way for the teachers to become more confident in delivering the new computing curriculum) on Wednesday; Year 5 are going to watch a performance of Rooster by Ballet Rambert at Sadlers Wells which concludes the project they did last term with them on Thursday; and finally on Friday Year 6 are going to the cinema and pizza hut as a reward for their amazing commitment this year.

Class Photos:

On Wednesday of next week, class photos (not individual photos) will be taken. Please ensure that children are wearing correct uniform on the day.

Children and families' safety:

It has recently been suggested by some parents that staff could be present at the school's front gate at the beginning and end of the school day. As you will know there are always at least two senior members of staff on the playground at the beginning and end of the day. Nevertheless we think it is a good suggestion and have acted on it. This gives us a chance to ensure children arrive at and leave school appropriately and safely. Could we please ask that parents do not park or stop in the bay in front of school as it causes an obstruction (and there are double yellow lines there). Also can we also remind everyone to use the zebra crossing outside the school if crossing Webber Street which is staffed by a lollipop lady. Finally, although we are in no position to ask people not to smoke in public spaces, could we ask that parents who do smoke be sensitive to the fact that lots of young children come in and out of the gate every day and do not want to have to inhale second hand smoke. I hope that you do not take these requests as either an infringement or a moan but that you appreciate we put our children and their families' health and safety very high on our agenda.

Have a great weekend!

Yours sincerely,

J. Burtt, Headteacher