



Friars Primary Foundation School



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Dear Parents,

Parent questionnaire:

The deadline for the return of the 2016 parent questionnaire will be Tuesday 22nd March after which results will be analysed and findings shared with staff, Governors and parents. We look forward to receiving your views. If you would like to complete the questionnaire but are not able to print one from the website or were not given one at parent consultations, please ask for one in the reception area of the school.

RE focus days:

We did our first RE focus day this Tuesday. The whole school focussed on **Sikhism** with each class learning about a different aspect of the religion. Those aspects are: EYFS – Names; Y1 – Festivals; Y2 – Beliefs; Y3 – Places of worship and symbols; Y4 – Religious figures; Y5 – Artefacts; Y6 Stories. Also visitors from the Harley Grove Gurdwara visited assembly and Y3 went to the Gurdwara in the afternoon.

Sport Relief:

We have been celebrating Sport Relief today with the Friars mile being run in our playground throughout the day. Also many of the children and staff have been wearing very sporty attire. I am pleased to announce that we have raised over £165 which will make a real difference to people less well off than us at home and abroad. Please check the website out for some pictures of today's efforts!

Last week of term:

Please remember that we break up next Thursday (24th March) at the usual time but there will be no after school club. The children return to school on Tuesday April 12th.

School house project:

Simon Camp from ACA (our architect) presented plans for the school house development at a parent coffee morning today. The slides he showed us can be viewed in the useful information part of the Noticeboard section of the website.

Notices and reminders:

- The school office will be closed for staff training from 9am to 12pm on Monday 21st March and the answerphone will be switched on. We will not be able to deal with any office based queries during that time.
- If children have appointments or absences we ask that parents inform the office rather than the teachers so that they can be recorded properly.
- We have a number of scooters and bikes that have been left in the scooter park for many weeks/months. Can you please check the storage areas to see if your child has forgotten to take home their scooter or bike? All unclaimed scooters and bikes left on site over Easter will be disposed of.
- If you mark your child's scooter or bike with your family name, not only we will be able to identify their owners but the wrong item will not go home with the wrong owner.

Dates for the Spring and Summer term 2016:

Thursday 24th March – last day of Spring term. **NO PLAYCENTRE**
Friday 25th March – Friday 8th April – Easter Holiday
Monday 11th April – INSET day
Tuesday 12th April – Summer term begins for children
Wednesday 27th April – Year 5 to Into University
Monday 9th – Thursday 12th May – KS2 SATs week
Monday 16th May – final Year 2 swimming session
Monday 16th – Friday 20th May – Application focus week
Monday 23rd May – Y6 start swimming sessions
Wednesday 25th May – RE focus day (Judaism)
Friday 27th May – Southwark Primary Schools dance festival @ The Scoop
Monday 30th May – Friday 3rd June – Half term break

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Have a great weekend!

Yours sincerely,

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