



Friars Primary Foundation School



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Dear Parents,

Children in Need:

Today is "Children in Need". There has been a large influx of superheroes in the school today (children and staff!) and as a result we have been able to raise £344.62 which is fantastic. We wrote to all parents yesterday to explain that we were using today to raise funds for urgent treatment needed for our senior admin officer's (Joan) granddaughter, Frankie Rose who has brain and spinal tumours as well as for "Children in Need". Thankyou all for your contributions. £172.31 will be donated directly to "Children In Need" and £172.31 will go to Frankie Rose's treatment fund. Joan would also like to thank all the parents for their kind words and support. Check out the latest news section of our website for some excellent photos!

Gifted and talented children in sports and PE:

All primary schools were given extra money last year and this year to improve sports and PE provision. We use our money to buy into all the services that the London school sports partnership provide and specialist PE coaching from ELMS sports. Full details of how we spend the money and the impact it has had can be found on our website in the "About Us" section. One of the services that the London school sports partnership provide is specialist coaches who come in and identify children who are more able at PE and sports. This happened this week and we will soon have an up to date register of our more able children and what their specific skills are. We will now be looking for opportunities to develop their talents further. The coaches were very impressed by our children's attitudes and abilities.

Welcome Back:

Miss Castillo returned from maternity leave today. She will be doing a job share in Reception on Wednesdays to Fridays with Miss Foster. When Miss Castillo is teaching the class, Miss Foster will be working across the school to support children's maths achievements.

Year 5 Ballet Rambert project:

Next week Year 5 will begin a project with Ballet Rambert by going to watch a performance of "Triptych" at Sadler's Wells. Working with such fantastic organisations like Ballet Rambert enables our children to really broaden their horizons culturally. The project will culminate next March with a performance that the children will do at a public venue.

Friars Golden Book:

We are very proud of the Golden book at Friars. Teachers and teaching assistants can nominate children to be entered into the book either for fantastic learning or for wonderful attitudes that promote our school values of right conduct, truth, peace, non-violence and love. So far this term, there have been 3 entries into the book: Mehmet in Y6 for producing a brilliant persuasive leaflet about the London Eye, Adam in Y4 for showing some lovely helpful attitudes towards his classmates and Sam in Y2 for doing an excellent piece of independent narrative writing. Please have a look at our website to see the contents of the book.

Dates for the rest of this half term (please also check our website for updates):

Thursday 20th November – Y5 to Ballet Rambert performance at Sadler's Wells; football match against Keyworth School @ GMH park 3:45
Thursday 27th November - football match against Pilgrim's Way School @ GMH park 3:45
Monday 1st December – Year 5 to the Ragged Museum
Tuesday 2nd December and Wednesday 3rd December – Multi Use Games area being installed in the playground
Wednesday 3rd December - open morning for prospective YN/YR parents for 2015/16 (10am); Year 3 to the Science Museum
Thursday 4th December – Y1 to London Aquarium
Thursday 11th December – Y1 and Y2 to KS1 multiskills festival at city of London academy; football match against Cobourg school @ GMH park 3:45
Friday 12th December – Children's Christmas lunch; Save the children Christmas jumper day; PTFA Xmas fete 3:30 – 5:30
Wednesday 17th December – EYFS/KS1 Christmas performance (9:30)
Thursday 18th December – KS2 Christmas performance (2:00); football match against St Pauls school 3:45 @ GMH park
Friday 19th December – last day of term. NO PLAYCENTRE.

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Have a great weekend!
Yours sincerely,
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