



# Weekly Newsletter



Friday 16th March 2018



## Special Dance Assemblies

Chantal our Dance Teacher has been so impressed with the quality of our children's dancing during lessons, she has persuaded me to hold special assemblies for parents to come and see too!

So you are warmly invited to Rotherhithe's special dance assemblies on **Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March**

at the following times:

9:15 am Reception classes

11 am Year 1 & 2 dances

11:30 Year 3 & 4 dances

Please pop this date into your diaries and come and see how much fun the children have been having.

## Missing Teddy at Bethnal Green Toy Museum

After a taxing journey (40 minute delays on the tube) Year 1 visited Bethnal Green Toy museum this week. A huge thanks to parents who helped on the day you were fantastic!

The children had great fun learning about the history of Teddy Bears. Since the visit, one of the toys has gone missing! So our fantastic writers in year 1 have been designing Missing Posters in class to help the museum.



On Thursday we hold a Debate Mate club in school for year 5 & 6 children. These children are thoroughly enjoying the club and enter debate competitions with children from other schools.

On Thursday, 8th March our children entered the second round of the debate competition at Tidemill Academy. At their first competition they won 5 out of 6 of their debates. This round was organised differently, and the children took part in 2 debates winning one of them. Well done to all for such logical and persuasive debating!

The children really enjoy the competitions and are developing great debating skills.

I would like to thank Colleen (humanities lead) and Kofi (learning mentor) for organising this club and giving up their personal time to take the children to the competitions.

In May Colleen and Kofi will be looking for interested debaters from Year 4 in order to prepare them for next year when they will be chosen as Year 5 pupils to officially join the club.

The next round of debating competitions will be at the university of Goldsmith on the 20th April this year. Children will get to see professional debaters in action. As only 14 children can attend, those who attend the club regularly will be selected first.

## This week's Year 6 star writer is Katie Lusham

An introduction....

'There she stood, in the lifeless forest. Alone. Darkness everywhere she looked. One thought ran through her traumatized mind: she needed to do this, who else would?'

**Amazing. Keep up the great writing Katie.**



### Dates for your Diaries!

19 <sup>th</sup> March	MITA training for support staff NSPCC assemblies and workshops
21 <sup>st</sup> March	Parent coffee morning - behaviour strategies
22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Dance assemblies
23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Sports Relief (no school uniform)
26 <sup>th</sup> March	KS2 Achievement Awards Year 1 -6 Parent's Evening 3:15- 4:30
27 <sup>th</sup> March	KS1 Achievement Awards Nursery Parent's Evening 3:15- 4:30 in the ICT suite Museum of Docklands assembly and year 4 workshop
28 <sup>th</sup> March	Reception Parent's Evening 3:15 – 4:30 in the ICT suite PTA Easter Bonnet Paraded
29 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Last Day of term finish at 2 pm</b>



It is time to get fund raising! Next week is **Sport Relief week**. The charity's aim is to ensure that people around the world lead a healthier and safer life. So, we invite you all to increase your physical activity and come to school on **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March** wearing something sporty for £1.

The money raised in 2016 was used to treat over 900,000 people across Africa with anti-malarial drugs.

It helped more than 50,000 people in the uk, living with a mental health problem.

We will collect donations at the gates.

### Mindful thought for the week

*'The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched - they must be felt with the heart.'*  
Helen Keller.

### Parent Coffee morning with Rosabel (Educational Psychologist)

Do you ever wish you could speak to a specialist about your children's behaviour? Don't pull your hair out as we have the coffee morning for you!



On **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March at 9:15 am** the school's new Educational Psychologist, Rosabel will be holding a coffee morning for parents focusing on strategies to manage behaviour.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Year 2 SAT preparation parents workshop was held on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March. Thanks to Phoebe for organising this event.

### Class Assemblies

Parent/carers are warmly invited to our class assemblies.

**Whale Class on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March at 11:15 am**

**Cutty Sark Class on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March at 11:30am**

### Attendance

The classes with the best attendance for this week

KS1: Class Seal 99.2 %

KS2: Class Kon Tiki 98.8%

**Well done and keep up the good work everyone!!**

Please **do not** book holidays during term time. This negatively affects your children's education.

You are at risk of a fine if you do so.

