



# STRAND NEWS

## NEWSLETTER –9 Spring Term 2010

12<sup>th</sup> March 2010

### **Class Assemblies – Reminders of Dates**

We look forward to the next Class Assemblies. Remember you are welcome to come and support your child.

Purple Class	Wed 17 <sup>th</sup> March	9.10 am
Yellow Class	Wed 24 <sup>th</sup> March	9.10 am

### **Blue Class Assembly**

The children took part in drama and poetry reading and looked at the theme of travelling around the world. They spoke very clearly and sung beautifully. Well done to all of you!

### **School Council Assembly**

We held a special assembly this morning to thank old school council for their hard work since September. We welcomed the new school council and we are looking forward to working with them. The new school council members are: Jack and Jemimah (Pink), Rachel and Joe (Turquoise), Lucca and Ruby (Lime), Izzy and Oskar (Purple), Lily and Finley (Blue), Evie and Max (Yellow), Frances and Zaid (Green), Seth and Alice (Orange), Cassie and Oscar (Red).

### **Science Museum Trips**

This week all 3 reception classes visited the interactive Garden Zone at the Science Museum and went on a 2D and 3D shape walk. Thank you to all parents and carers who helped with the trips.

### **Year 1 Local Walk**

Year 1 went on a walk along the Thames as part of their geography learning and sketched the local area. Thank you to Year 1 parents who were able to support this walk.

### **Orleans House Gallery Visit**

Orleans House Gallery visited Year 1 this week and the children took part in sketching, cutting, sticking and printing with driftwood as their inspiration.

### **New Children at Strand**

Over the last few weeks we have welcomed Flora in Yellow Class, Joe and Bakete in Turquoise Class, Taylor and Pariss in Lime Class and Sienna in Red Class.

### **SPEND A PENNY TO SPEND A PENNY!**

Thanks to all of you who kindly donated to Spend A Penny. We have raised just over £40.

### **Junior News - Roman banquet in Year 3**

Year 3 classrooms were transformed this afternoon into Roman dining rooms as the much anticipated Roman banquet took place. Togas were worn, cushions were laid on and a fine variety of Roman food was on offer – including authentic honey cakes made by Joe in 3N! There was even musical accompaniment from our talented year 3 musicians who performed their own composition on trumpet and guitar. Most importantly there was a fantastic array of hand made roman sandals on show! Unfortunately Emperor Risticus was unable to attend as she was dealing with some unruly Gauls – we have it on good authority that she will be attending the Living Museum that year 3 are creating later in the year. Well done year 3!

## **Friends of Strand Schools**

### **It's Panto Time..Young Sherlock Holmes and the Case of Dick Whittington's Cat**

Tickets for this year's pantomime will go on sale by the school offices next week. Please buy them in plenty of time as this is always a very popular event and tickets will sell out.

Performance details and tickets prices are as follows:

Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> March 7pm	Adults £5	Children £2.50
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> March 5pm and 8pm	Adults £6	Children £3
Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2pm and 6pm	Adults £6	Children £3

Tickets will also be on sale for a raffle to be drawn at each performance. The prizes are meals in one of the local pubs. Raffle tickets will cost £1 each.

We have also secured a deal with the City Barge that when buying tickets for one of the Friday performances you can also get a voucher for a fish and chip meal plus fizzy drink for £5 on that Friday evening. We will hand out vouchers to people buying tickets for the Friday, should they want them, and the money will then be due to the City Barge when you redeem your voucher on Friday 26 March, either after the 5pm performance or before the 8pm performance. Please only take vouchers if you are serious about using them, as the City Barge will stock up according to the number of vouchers that have been given out.

## **Strand Parent & Toddler Group**

Strand Parent & Toddler Group meets every Monday from 9 am to 11 am in the large Community Room. Lots of toys for babies and toddlers. Start the week with a cup of tea or coffee and a chat. £1 per child.

## **Second Hand Uniform Sale**

There will be a second hand uniform sale at the end of this term. Please leave any good quality clean uniform with the school office.

## **Book Fair**

If you have not had time to visit the book fair this week, there will be a last chance to look at the books this Monday morning at drop off. Thank you to the parents/carers who have given up their time to help with the Fair, especially Candy.

## **Catering Comment Book**

DS Catering who supply our school meals have given us a catering comments book, it is held in the office for parents/carers to give feedback on the school meals, please ask for the book to enter your comments.

## **Parking Issues**

Complaints from the school's neighbours continue to come in about inconsiderate parking. We have been informed that if you park illegally or block in residents, car registration details will be taken and forwarded to the police.

## **The Carnival of the Animals**

A concert by children, for children! The local church, St Paul's, is looking for children to sing and dance in their next concert, coming up on May 8th at 7pm. The concert will be a medley of animal themed pieces - including one written by the famous grandpa of two Strand pupils, Herbert Chappell! We need lots of children to sing in our choir - no auditions required - and they will be dressing up as animals and dancing too! Please contact Catherine Jessop 020 8995 6324 [Jessops@strandonthegreen.freeserve.co.uk](mailto:Jessops@strandonthegreen.freeserve.co.uk) if you think your children would like to get involved!

**Remember 8.56 am is LATE for school!**