

Swing Gate News

8th May 2017



Diary Dates

MAY 2017

Mon 8th May

Astronomy workshops

Tues 9th May

Tennis workshops

Fri 12th May

FoSG Dress down day – bring a bottle

Mon 15th to Fri 26th May

SATs Weeks

Tues 16th May

Grandparents visit Year R

Fri 19th May

FS trip to The Rex Cinema

Sat 20th May

FoSG Spring Fair

Tues 23rd May

Karate workshops

Thurs 25th May

KS1 PE workshops

Mon 29th May – Fri 2nd June

Half Term

JUNE 2017

Tues 6th June

Science workshops

Wed 7th June

Nursery class trip

Thurs 8th June

School closed to children

Mon 12th to Fri 16th June

Phonics Screening week

Mon 12th June

Guinness World Record attempt

Thurs 15th June

FS PE workshops

Fri 16th June

Nur Father's Day Breakfast

Mon 19th to Fri 23rd June

Mathematics week

The Summer term is now in full flow, the children are settled back into their classes and I have seen a lot of new and exciting learning.

Guinness World Record

We have joined forces with Thomas Coram and Victoria Schools to try and break the record for the number of people hopping at the same time. We need as many people as possible and hope that you, your friends and family can help us to break this record. More details to follow.

Easter Bunny

The Easter Bunny, courtesy of the FoSG, visited the school at the end of last term and led the children on an Easter Egg hunt in the playground. Thank you to FOSG for organizing and contacting the Easter Bunny.

Safety

Thinking about the lovely weather we are having, I would like to remind you to put suntan lotion on your child at the start of the day. A school legionnaire sun hat would also be helpful to protect them. Please remember to send in water bottles.

I would like to remind you that children may not wear open toed sandals.

News from Thomas Coram

I am pleased to hear that Thomas Coram and Victoria Schools will be working more closely under one Headteacher. This is effective from September. I am confident that this in no way will weaken Swing Gate School's relationship with either school as we are all committed to working in partnership for the mutual benefit of our children. The collaborative working relationship remains a key priority for myself and Mr Halls as much in the future as it does today.

WEBSITE

Please check the website for

- more information on the children's learning
- future events and **school dates up till the end of term.**

Events in school since we last wrote...Year 2



If you have the chance to walk through the Library, you will have seen the wonderful globes that are on display. The Year 2 classes have been creating these with papier mache and decorating them.

The starting grid for lifelong learning.

PAUSE for THOUGHT

'The Sun, with all the planets revolving around it, and depending on it, can still ripen a bunch of grapes as though it had nothing else in the Universe to do.'

Galileo Galilei

Italian Philosopher, Astronomer and Mathematician

Planatarium

Today the Astronomy Roadshow came to visit Swing Gate. All the children had an opportunity to observe the stars and the planets and watched the show in amazement.



Outdoor Learning Environment

You may have noticed a change in Foundation Stage outdoor area. There is now new a bike shed and the covered area has been painted to create a chalk board that the children have been enjoying. Thank you Mr Buss.

Spring Fair

We are hoping for good weather for Swing Gate Spring Fair, but please come rain or shine! There will plenty for the family to do and refreshment stalls, so that is lunch sorted! Parent Reps have been trying to get offers of help to man the stalls so if you feel able to help please let the Parent Reps know. We are having a dress down day on **Fri 12th May**, so please could you bring a bottle.

Events in school since we last wrote...Year 1

Last week the Year 1 children were fortunate to go on a fantastic trip to Windsor Castle. I have heard much pleasing feedback from parents and children alike.



Foundation Stage

Mr Millar has been in Foundation Stage again and developing the children's fine and gross motor skills through exciting PE activities.



Election Time

Thank you for your co-operation during last week's local elections. The general election is on **Thursday 8th June** and the school will be closed as they will be using the main Hall for voting.

Science Workshops

Parents are invited to come and share the children's learning and see the exciting work they have been doing at an assembly at 2:40 pm on **Tues 6th June**.

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