

Swing Gate News

10th Nov 2017



Diary Dates

NOVEMBER 2017

Fri 10th Nov
Y2 Fire of London
workshop

Fri 10th Nov
YR – firefighter visit

Thurs 16th Nov
EYFS PE coaching day

Fri 17th Nov
FoSG Quiz Night

Mon 20th Nov
Y1 trip to Toy Museum

Tues 21st Nov
Flu vaccinations

Tues 21st Nov 14:00
Tour of school for
prospective parents

Tues 21st Nov 15:30
Phonic Workshop for
Parents

Thurs 23rd Nov
Under the sea drama
workshop

Fri 24th Nov
FoSG Dress down day

Sun 26th Nov
Festival of Lights

Thurs 30th Nov
Phonics Open Morning

DECEMBER 2017

Fri 1st Dec
Goldilocks and the
Three Bears pantomime

Weds 8th Dec 09:30
Tour of school for
prospective parents

PARENT GOVERNORS

I am delighted to inform you that the Parent Governors are:

Claire Bannister – She stood for a second term and was elected unopposed. She is Vice Chair to the Governing Body.

Natalie Crane – Formally a co-opted member of the Governing Body and has agreed to stand as a parent to fill the vacancy and was elected unopposed.

Kate Badham – Kindly came forward as a Parent Governor. She met with the Chair of Governors and myself and was elected unopposed.

All Governors have expertise and qualities that will strengthen and enrich the Governing Body and I would like to thank them for taking on this strategic role for the next four years.

PARENT REPS MEETING

The next meeting is Friday 1st Dec at 2pm. Please pass any issues to be raised with your Parent Rep. The minutes of the last meeting will be published on the website shortly.

Shoe boxes

Wow! We collected 71 Rotary Shoe Boxes. We would like to say a really big thank you to all the families who filled a box. The boxes will all make lovely gifts.

Stamps

Could you please bring any used stamps in to school and they will be used to raise funds for Guide Dogs for the Blind.

ATTENDANCE

The second Attend and Achieve assembly was held last week. The proud winners of the cup were **Rabbits Class** with an attendance of **98.6%**. Well done!

Foxes	98.1%
Badgers	97.6%
Owls	96.8%
Voles	96.2%
Hedgehogs	95.6%
Squirrels	95.4%



Christmas Performance dates

Dress rehearsals

Fri 8th Dec at 09:30 – Nur & Rec
Mon 11th at 14:00 – Y2
Tues 12th at 14:00 – Y1.

Thomas Coram siblings are invited to attend a dress rehearsal in which their siblings are performing – with their parent.

The Performances

Mon 11th Dec at 09:15 – Nur & Rec
Tues 12th Dec at 09:15 – Nur & Rec
Thurs 14th Dec at 09:15 – Y2
Thurs 14th Dec at 14:00 – Y1
Fri 15th Dec at 09:15 – Y1
Fri 15th Dec at 14:00 – Y2

Weds 13th Dec
Christmas Lunch for children

Phonics workshops

We would like to invite you to a phonics workshop on Tues 21st Nov starting at 15:30. We would also like to invite you into classrooms to see 'phonics in action' on Thurs 30th Nov after drop off. More details to follow.

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PAUSE for THOUGHT

*"Tell me and I forget, teach me
and I may remember, involve me
and I learn."*

Benjamin Franklin, Founding Father of the USA

MSA vacancy

We currently have a vacancy for a Mid-day Supervisory Assistant. If you are interested could you please contact the School Office.

Since the last update...

Reception

The theme this term is People who Help Us. Today they had a visit from the firefighters. They thoroughly enjoyed seeing the engine and equipment, and hearing the siren. The firefighters talked about how they help our town and about their special uniform.

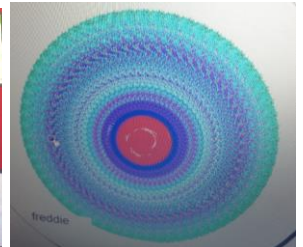


Nursery and Reception also enjoyed their bonfire celebration this week. They shared homemade snacks and sang songs to each other.



Year 1

The theme this term is Toys. We have a super starter arranged; a visit to the Toy Museum in London. In Art and Computing they have been creating some fantastic designs.



Year 2

This theme for this term is the Fire of London. As a super starter they had a drama group in today and took part in their own enactment of that event.



*Francesca Gallagher (Mrs)
Headteacher*

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