

## NEWSLETTER

**2TS Assembly**

Class 2TS held a magical assembly in the style of a fairytale with an extremely bossy fairy godmother who used time connectives and bossy verbs to give her instructions. 2TS performed a beautiful dance to the song from Aladdin 'A Whole New World' and they acted out their parts with clear and loud voices. We also got to see all their lovely work they have produced last term, such as their castles with moving drawbridges and digeridoos. Well done Class 2TS!

**Emergency Closure Plan in the Event of Severe Weather Conditions**

Our aim is to stay open wherever possible.... However in the event of severe weather conditions we always follow the Hertfordshire County Council guidelines. The decision to close is taken by the Headteacher based on the local conditions, an assessment of the risk, staffing issues, transport issues and County guidance.

If a decision is taken to close the school we will follow the County's notification process and this information will be posted on their website at [www.hertsdirect.org](http://www.hertsdirect.org). HCC will also inform the following radio station:-

**BBC 3 Counties on 103.8 FM**

A Parentmail text message will be sent informing parents of the closure. It is vital, therefore, that we have up to date telephone numbers. If you have changed your telephone number, please ensure that this information is given to the school's Admin Team. Information about reopening the school will be communicated in exactly the same way.

**Help Wanted....****School Library**

Our English Subject Leader, Mrs Harris, is organising some work to our School Library. The first part of this task is to check and sort our non-fiction and poetry books. We will then be able to make these available for children to borrow.

We are looking for parents, carers or grandparents who have some spare time to help check and organise library books. This could be done during the school day or on Tuesdays after school from 3-4pm. No previous experience is needed!

If you are interested, please speak to the School Office.

**Home School Agreement**

The home school agreement sets out what the school, parents and children agree to do to make the most of the children's time in school working as a partnership. I would like to organise a small group of parents to put together the parent section of the home school agreement.

If you are interested in supporting this piece of work please contact the school office by Friday 17<sup>th</sup> January.

***The deadline has passed however if you are interested in being part of this working group please contact the school office.***

**Class Attendance**

The classes with the best attendance from Friday last week to yesterday in Reception/KS1 is 2TS with 98.5% attendance and in KS2 6YS with 100%.... WELL DONE 2TS and 6YS.

Group – Reception/KS1	Possible	% Attend
Year 2 - Tara Sassoon	100	98.5
Reception - Grace Colhoun	100	95
Reception - Jo Thomson	100	94.7
Year 1 - Yasmin Naher	100	94
Year 1 - Philippa Cooper/Mrs Woodward	100	93.7
Year 2 - Jenny Gilbert	100	93.3

Group – KS2	Possible	% Attend
Year 6 - Yesim Soyel	100	100
Year 3 - Melissa Newberry	100	98.8
Year 3 - Chris Marland	100	98.6
Year 4 - Lougene Lillywhite	100	97.5
Year 5 - Sarah Day/Nadia Parker	100	97.4
Year 4 - Deborah Harris	100	95.7
Year 5 - Moira McCarthy	100	93.9
Year 6 - Andrew Penn	100	92.7

**Chinese New Year**

To celebrate Chinese New Year the kitchen are preparing a special meal for the children on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February 2014. If you would like your child to have this meal please return the form to the school office by Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January.

## Parent Consultation Appointments

If you have not done so already; please send your parent consultation appointment form to the school office. Additional forms are available from the carousel outside the school office. We shall then send you your appointment day/time.

## Arsenal Soccer Schools February Half-Term

February half term is just around the corner which means it's just a few weeks until the next set of Arsenal Soccer Schools holiday courses begin!

Courses will be taking place across the country teaching young football fans how to play the Arsenal way through the same principles used by Arsène Wenger to coach the pros. The sessions, which are open to boys and girls of all ability levels, focus on key areas such as passing, shooting, dribbling and tackling, helping everyone to improve their all-round game and have loads of fun in the process.

Arsenal Soccer Schools help promote a happy and healthy lifestyle, as well as the new skills each player will learn, there are plenty of prize, gifts, and trophies to be handed out on each day of our course.

All of this from just £16.00 per full day.

## Class Assemblies

Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> February at 9.15am	Reception - JT
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> February at 9.15am	1PC
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> February at 9.15am	2JG
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> March at 9.15am	Reception - GC
Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> March at 9.15am	1YN
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> March at 9.15am	Nursery

## Spring Term Dates

Finance & Personnel Committee & Full Governing Body Meeting	Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup> January
Chess Match @ Samuel Ryder	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> January
Year 2 – Great Fire of London	Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> January
Bug Buster Day	Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> January
School Disco	Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> February
Year 3 to the British Museum	Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> February
Nursery Admissions Open for September 2014	Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> February
Nursery Parent Consultation Meetings	Tuesday 11 <sup>th</sup> February
Nursery to Year 6 Parent Consultation Meetings 3.10-6pm	Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> February
Nursery to Year 6 Parent Consultation Meetings 5-8pm	Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> February
Half-Term	17 <sup>th</sup> to 21 <sup>st</sup> February
Assessment Week	w/c 3 <sup>rd</sup> March
Secondary Places Offered for Year 6 Children	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March
Year 1 Trip to the Roald Dahl Museum	Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> March
Swimming Gala	Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> March
Non-School Uniform for Red Nose Day	Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> March
Gala Concert at the Royal Albert Hall	Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> March
Science Week	Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> March
Chess Match @ Samuel Ryder	Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> March
Governor Day	Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> March
Science Evening	Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> March
Nursery Admissions Close	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> March
Year 4 - Egyptian Day	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> March
Full Governing Body Meeting	Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March
Girls Football Tournament	Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> March
Finish at 2pm for the Easter Holidays	Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> April

Jon Hood  
**Headteacher**