

## NEWSLETTER

**Assembly**

4JB's assembly was all about the Egyptians, which has been their class topic since September. They explained how the Egyptians mummified bodies and showed off their Canopic Jars that they had made in Design Technology. The children displayed some hieroglyphics - Egyptian writing - and explained how we can understand the symbols. A PowerPoint presentation about Tutankhamun that the children had made in Computing was displayed as were lots of photographs from our wonderful Egyptian Day. Some boys demonstrated a dance they choreographed during PE and an example of an Egyptian story, 'The Rattle Snake That Spoke', that was written during Big Write, was read out.

**Year 2 – Great Fire of London Day**

On Wednesday, Year 2 held an exciting Great Fire of London Day where they were transported back to the year 1666. The children wore some amazing outfits from that era so thank you to all the

parents for providing these costumes. The day was filled with lots of activities such as making candles, home-made bread, weaving and making different medicines using herbs. In the afternoon, they had to excavate different artefacts to piece together the jigsaw to discover what type of people lived in that house during the fire. The children seemed to thoroughly enjoy this 'hands-on' learning experience. Thank you also to all the parents who helped out on the day.

**Children in Need**

The total raised for Children in Need was £355.60 ... thank you to everyone that contributed.

**Clubs - Reminder**

Clubs have now finished for this term. Therefore there will be no clubs from Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2014. A new club list will go out to the children in January. Watch out for details.

**Craft & Gift Fair  
Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2014**

Please visit the Craft Fair at Allum Hall on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2014 from 10.30am to 3.30pm.

There will be food and drink available all day and live music. Admission is free and there is plenty of parking.

**NSPCC Art Exhibition**

NSPCC Art exhibition will be taking place at Allum Lane Hall on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> November. Congratulations to all the artists. You have sent us some wonderful models and pictures we shall do our best to display all the artwork that was entered into the competition.

The winners from Cowley Hill are:

- Joint 1st Nabrisa and Justus Badu.
- Joint 2nd Darius Cimpean and Max Maslenikov
- 3rd Marysa Sanchez
- Commended Nathan Ellis and Ebubechukwa Okoro.

The prize giving will be at 2.00pm on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> November. James Clappison will hand out the prizes and everyone else will get a consolation token on the day. We will do our best to display all the art.

**Year 3 / 4 Indoor Athletics**

On Monday our Year 3/ 4 Athletics Squad competed in the Sports Partnership Indoor Athletics Cluster Tournament. They competed in a range of track and field events including over +under relay, 1+1 sprints and the 4x1 relay. Field events included speed bounce, standing long jump and javelin throw. The level of performance from our athletes was incredible with all our pupils displaying excellent technique and skill understanding with fantastic determination and passion also evident. It was a very successful afternoon with our athletes winning the majority of both track and field events which resulted in us winning the tournament and progressing through to the Partnership Finals. Well done team-great result!

**Table Tennis Tournament**

On Tuesday our Year 6 Table Tennis Team competed in the Sports Partnership Table Tennis Tournament. This is a very prestigious tournament with many nationally ranked players from private schools competing. It was a fantastic opportunity for our players to hone their skills against the best of the best and our players did their utmost to continue to develop their skills in a tough environment. Cowley Hill managed to progress to the semi-finals before going out to Edge Grove who were last year's National Finalists. Well done team on a determined display.

## Boys Football

On Thursday both our A and B teams were in action against Shenley. On conditions that would rival the mud bath pitches of the 1970's Cowley Hill did their best to implement their total football philosophy. An end to end half that saw both teams score twice with Jedi and Alfie on target for Cowley Hill. In the second half Cowley Hill continued to move the ball well but were undone more by the pitch than anything else with Shenley scoring twice in the second half through slips and falls from our defence. The final score was Cowley Hill 2-4 Shenley.

The B team were also involved in a very exciting match. Shenley took an early lead when our defence failed to score from a corner. However, Cowley Hill would reply with Freddie finishing off an excellent passing move. From then on it was end to end stuff with both teams going close with excellent defending also being displayed by both teams. The final score was Cowley Hill 1-1 Shenley. Well done to everyone who played.

## Christmas Lights Switch on 30<sup>th</sup> November 2-6pm

Borehamwood Town Council will be switching on the Christmas Lights on Sunday timetable for events:

2-6pm The Piazza beside All Saints Church Free ice rink, free Santas grotto and other childrens' activities

2-6pm Outside 96 Shenley rd Rolling Base a single decker bus with free children's activities . music snow machine

3-4pm Concert in All Saints Church. All welcome

4pm Xmas light Switch on

4.05pm Outside All Saints Borehamwood Brass play carols and Christmas music

4-6pm Main hall 96 Town council provide free mulled wine and mince pies for the adults, cakes and squash for the children

Free cakes at 96 will be organised by Christine Tierney and Kelly Houghton with help from local residents

## Friends of Cowley Hill Request for items for the Christmas Fair

Preparations for the Christmas Fair are well underway. If you are able to help in any way please complete the form on the letter that went home this week.

Raffle tickets are available for anyone to purchase if they wish. First prize is a iPad Mini, Second Prize a planted holly bush, Third Prize a £50 Argos Voucher plus many more prizes. Thank you to our sponsors John O'Connor Gardeners, Haart Estate Agents and DJB Window Cleaners for their donations.

All money raised will be added to the Library book fund. We have purchased books for the classrooms to have a library corner and will continue to raise fund to improve our school library.

## Message for all Nursery Parents

Primary admissions are now open for you to apply for your child to go into reception in September 2015.

Children born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2010 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2011 need to register for a Primary School place for next September. Apply online before the 15<sup>th</sup> January 2015 at [www.hertsdirect.org/admissions](http://www.hertsdirect.org/admissions).

If you would like to look around the school please contact the school office to make an appointment.

If you need any help with your application please talk to Mrs Scott or a member of the office team. **The closing date for applications is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2015.**

## Class Attendance

The classes with the best attendance from Friday last week to yesterday in Reception/KS1 is 1YN with 99.3% attendance and in KS2 4JB with 97.7%.... WELL DONE 1YN and 4JB.

Group – Reception/KS1	% Possible	% Attend
Year 1 - Yasmin Naher	100	99.3
Year 2 - Jenny Gilbert	100	98.1
Year 2 - Tara Sassoon	100	96.7
Year 1 - Katie Witham	100	95.5
Reception - Kimberley Gurrey	100	91.7
Reception - Soniya Dass	100	89.7

Group – KS2	% Possible	% Attend
Year 4 - June Boothe/Donna Lees	100	97.7
Year 3 - Chris Marland	100	97.1
Year 6 - Yesim Soyel	100	96.5
Year 4 - Ed Farrell	100	96.1
Year 5 - Sarah Day/Nadia Parker	100	95.4
Year 6 - Andrew Penn	100	94.2
Year 3 - Melissa Newberry	100	92.3
Year 4 - Joe Suckling	100	91.7

## Autumn Term Dates

5 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Fair from 3-5pm
10 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 3 – Stone Age Workshop
16 <sup>th</sup> December	Nursery & Reception Production at 10am
16 <sup>th</sup> December	Year 1 & 2 Performance at 1.30pm
17 <sup>th</sup> December	Nursery & Reception Production at 2pm
17 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Dinner
18 <sup>th</sup> December	KS2 Carol Concert at 3.15pm
19 <sup>th</sup> December	School Finishes for the Christmas Holidays at 2pm

## Class Assemblies

Class Assemblies	Time
4EF	Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec at 9.15am
3CM	Fri 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec at 9.15am

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