

# St Bridget's C of E Primary School

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Dear Parents,

As you know, last week children learnt about Syria and the Middle East during multicultural week. We have had lots of great feedback from children and parents. At the end of the week Mrs McCarthy asked some children to reflect on their learning. Their answers are recorded in the news section of the website and provide a powerful insight about their improved understanding. During the week the whole school managed to help create a wonderful piece of artwork which we have hung in the school hall. If the hall is free please have a look after school.

## **Support for Uganda - Rock of Joy Trust**

Today Mrs Connah attended assembly and thanked all the children for their support for her visit to Uganda. We have raised £310, donated hundreds of shoes and lots of glasses. Mrs Connah has promised to visit the children after her trip to show her pictures and share stories about her adventure.

## **Level 1 Award for RRSA**

Over the last year we have been working towards the Rights Respecting School Award. We were assessed for this last week and I am pleased to say that we were successful. In many areas we have exceeded the criteria and the assessors were very impressed with the children's knowledge and thoughtfulness. It was also noted that our success was due to the whole school community being involved. My thanks to all of you who have supported the school in this process. As ever the important part is the learning we have had along the way, but it is still good to be recognised with the award. We are not stopping our work - we are already progressing towards level 2. Our next steps require the children to be even more involved in the planning of activities and sharing their work with other schools. Exciting times are ahead.

## **Parent Partnership Meetings**

As a school we are constantly looking at ways to improve and reflect on the provision for the children at St. Bridget's. As a school we face many challenges, most of which we succeed in overcoming, however, it is important that we can discuss issues with parents. We arrange this through meetings with class teachers, individual meetings where there are concerns and through the use of questionnaires. I also like the opportunity to meet parents in small groups to have time to discuss some issues in more detail. On **Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> February at 2.45pm** I would like to invite interested parents to discuss some development ideas for school. I will limit this group to 10 parents. If you are interested please leave your name at the school office. I look forward to having some interesting conversations.

## **Congratulations**

### **Mathletics Success**

We continue to celebrate Mathletics success each week in assembly. Last week Nicholas Groves achieved a ranking of 3<sup>rd</sup> in the World! Great work Nicholas, this is a fantastic achievement.

### **North West County Athletics 2014**

Well done to the girls and boys who represented Merseyside in the recent Indoor Athletics Finals. Both the girls' and the boys' team won their competitions.

### **Wirral PE Conference**

Children from St. Bridget's were invited to display all the good work they are doing in PE and sport for the delegates at the conference this week. Everyone was very impressed. My thanks to Miss Bowler for organising this.

### **Well done Year 5 Girls**

A number of year 5 girls have decided that they would like to continue fundraising for UNICEF by baking cakes each month to sell to different year groups in school. Any leftover cakes are sold to staff around school. Thank you year 5, they were very tasty!

### **Midday Supervisor Vacancy**

In the near future I expect to have a vacancy for a midday supervisor. If you would be interested in supporting the work of our school at lunchtimes please leave your name at the **school office** or speak to me if you would like more information.

### **PA Meeting**

The next PA meeting is Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February at 6.30pm in school.

### **Polite reminders**

#### **Dogs**

I ask that dogs (except guide dogs) are not brought onto the school grounds (even if carried) and when they are tied up by the school gate they are attended. With 420 children and numerous adults walking past they can get excitable and on occasions this can cause concern.

#### **Nail Varnish**

I ask that children do not wear nail varnish when in school.

### **New phone numbers and emails**

This is just a quick reminder - if you were lucky enough to receive an upgrade for your mobile phone over Christmas please let us know your new number as soon as possible.

### **School Meal Prices**

School meal prices have increased by 5p. Information about the new prices is on the website.

Thank you for your continued support,

Neil Le Feuvre