



Wildmoor Heath School

Newsletter

Friday 17th June 2016

Phase 1 of Adventure Playground Project Complete

The two new pieces of adventure playground equipment were in use for the first time on Monday. The final work – railway sleepers and chippings – was completed over the weekend under the direction of Mrs Pither. We are really pleased



with the way it looks and judging by the children's response, they are happy playing on it! Our thanks to the PTA for their generous donation - £3000 – without which we wouldn't have been able to undertake the project. Unsurprisingly,



the children are even keener to complete Phase 2 now and replace the condemned 'Cargo Net' with bigger and better equipment as soon as possible.

School Council – Sponsored Walk / Run a Mile

Phase 2 of the Adventure Playground Project will cost approximately £4000. This for the supply and installation of 'Pick-up Sticks 4' (see picture below) and more railway sleepers and chippings. The good news is that we already have just under half of the funding raised! We are particularly grateful for a £1500 donation from the Crowthorne Trust. The School Council has organised a sponsored walk / run for the week beginning 11th July.



We are challenging every child to walk or run 5 miles during the week (1 mile a day) and

to raise £10 each. If every child met that challenge, we'd raise £2000 – enough to order the equipment and have it installed at the start of next term! We know Wildmoor children are always 'up' for a challenge, so let's 'Go for it!'

'Zoe Zambia' project

One of our wonderful reading volunteers, Suzie Hunt, is part of a team of trustees who volunteer for a project



called Zoe Zambia, the aim of which is to set up a school in the South African country. Suzie has travelled to

Zambia this month, taking with her a few English teaching aids donated by Wildmoor Heath School. We are looking forward to establishing a link with the school in Zambia, which will form a foundation for our work with UNICEF's Rights Respecting Schools and our push on 'international mindedness.' If you are interested in finding out more, please visit their website and blog: <http://zoezambia.org/>.

Eve Smith House Netball Cup

Our congratulations to Wellington House for winning the Eve Smith House Netball Cup. Easthampstead were the



gallant runners up. Particular thanks are due to Keira Smith for helping to organise and run the tournament. The cup was commissioned in memory of

Keira's mum and our colleague, Eve, who died in January last year. She was a keen 'netballer' and we felt that an annual tournament and a cup were great ways to remember her. The trophy will be presented by Keira and her dad at the Leavers' Assembly in July.

Staffing for 2016-17

We will be announcing which teachers and teaching assistants will be where next week – after our 'New Parents' evening. The children will spend an afternoon in their new classroom with their new teacher and TA on Wednesday 6th July.

Annual Reports

Teachers are currently putting the finishing touches to your child's annual report. These will be sent home on Monday 11th July. There will be an opportunity to discuss them with teachers (if required) during that week.

Starry Night Exhibition

Our thanks to parents who took the time to visit our 'Take One Picture' exhibition last half term based on Van Gogh's 'Starry Night'. The standard of artwork across the school was



fantastic and we were particularly pleased with the collaborative piece which every class contributed to. We don't have many wall spaces big enough to put

it up, but it will be displayed in the group room off the hall from September. The week wouldn't have been possible without the hard work of Mrs Rivers and Mrs Loffhagen, so our thanks to them. We are already looking forward to the next one!

School Uniform

Thank you to all those who contributed to the school uniform consultation.



The governors have made some minor changes to the policy for September in response – you

should have received a letter last week. You can also read about the changes on the website: <http://www.wildmoorheath.org.uk/Changes-to-School-Uniform-Policy/>.

Year 6 visit The Globe Theatre



Year 6 visited The Globe in London to see the Royal Shakespeare Company's (RSC) A Midsummer Night's Dream last week. There was added excitement when the performance was briefly interrupted due to faulty fire alarm and the theatre evacuated. The children were exemplary (as you'd expect!) and had the added bonus of having an impromptu chat with one of the cast outside!

Dates for your Diary:

- 22 Jun 16 - New Parents Evening
- 22 Jun 16 – Kwik Cricket (Y6)
- 24 Jun 16 - BF Athletics (Y5)
- 30 Jun 16 - Reception Class Trial 1/2
- 4 Jul 16 - Music Festival (Evening) (Wellington College)
- 6 - 7 Jul 16 - Year 6 Transition Day
- 7 Jul 16 - Reception Class Trial 2/2
- 8 Jul 16 – INSET Day
- 11 Jul 16 – Sponsored Walk / Run
- 13 Jul 16 - Year 6 Production
- 18 Jul 16 - Sports Day & Nursery Event

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