



PENNYHILL POST

Pennyhill Primary School Newsletter

8th November 2016

News from Phase 1/2

Thank you to all Year 1 parents/carers who kindly helped to support our sponsored walk for RSPB last term. We are pleased to inform



you that the total raised was £360.80. Children in Year 1 had a fantastic time learning about nocturnal animals and other wildlife during their topic and also designed some fabulous animal homes as part of their Family Learning Project.

Our new topic is 'Toys' and children have been excited to use excerpts from the film 'Toy Story 3' to inspire their writing. All children should now have received a questionnaire for family members regarding

'Toys from the past'. We look forward to reading your responses.

Team Points

Points so far this term:

Red Dragons: 35 stars

Blue Dolphins: 43 stars

Yellow Leopards: 31 stars

Green Crocodiles: 31 stars



Y1—Autumn Leaves display/Animal home



Y1—Toy Story Freeze Framing



Class 2E visited Stone Cross Library last week as part of their English work on 'Traditional tales'. They had a fantastic time listening to stories and also writing their own traditional tale. In addition to this, they also designed gingerbread men and a new shoe for Cinderella.

2R will be attending the library on Tuesday 15th November with 2A attending on Tuesday 22nd November. Please return permission slips for your child's visit as soon as possible.

Year 2 are also continuing with their Learning Challenge topics on 'The Beatles' and 'Super Scientists' this term. They are currently planning an experiment to test how gravity affects how objects move.

Year 2—P.E—Autumn 2

2R/2E—P.E lessons will be each Monday

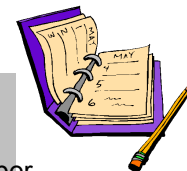
2A—P.E lessons will be each Tuesday

If possible, could you please ensure that jewellery is removed on these days.

Harvest Appeal

Thank you to all parents/carers who contributed to our Harvest Appeal this year. In total, we collected 914 items, which were collected by the Good Shepherd Ministry last week.

A volunteer from the charity also came to school to deliver an assembly to our KS2 pupils.



Attendance

Whole school: 96.4%

Best Class in KS1 :

1H - 96.2%

Best class in KS2:

3E - 98.3%

Punctuality

Punctuality Rosettes:

2A, 4R, 4A, 5R, 5A, 6E, 6R

School Council

Our meetings are well under way now. The school council have been discussing how they can make the playground a better environment for lunchtimes and playtimes. One thing they are keen to improve is to increase the number of waste bins on the playground so that litter is not dropped on the floor. They have met with Miss Williams and she has agreed that these can be ordered. The representatives will be asking children in their own classes what type of bins they would like to have ordered.

We will inform you about their final decisions.

Reminders

- ◆ Please send dinner money in on Mondays
- ◆ Lost property, please make sure all clothing and equipment has your child's name on. Our lost property grows daily!
- ◆ Please remember that school meals are free for all pupils in Reception, Y1 and Y2

Dates for your diary

Children In Need—non-uniform day—Friday 18th November

Christmas Fayre—Wednesday 14th December 2016

Break up for Christmas—Friday 16th December 2016

Return after Christmas— Tuesday 3rd January 2017

Spring Half term—break up - Friday 17th February 2017

Return to school—Monday 27th February 2017

Break up for Easter - Friday 7th April 2017

SPORTS NEWS



Competition: children from Years 5 and 6 participated in a Sportshall athletics competition. We came 4th out of a number of schools from across Sandwell. The children were great role models for our school and tried their very best.

After School Sports Clubs: 176 children applied for the 96 afterschool places.

All clubs start on Monday for 5 weeks. Letters will have been sent out to those children who managed to secure a place. Children will be able to try out a range of sports including tennis, football, basketball, hockey, dodgeball, kwik cricket and netball.

Lunchtime clubs are continuing to give all children the opportunity to increase their fitness levels and be active throughout the day.



We are delighted to announce that Pennyhill Primary School has been awarded the Silver—School Games Mark Award. Thank you to Mrs Marson who helped make this possible.

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