

21 September 2012

Newsletter No 3



Dear Parents/Carers

200 Year Celebration

Thank you to all the parents/carers who attended St Mary's Church to help us celebrate St Mary's Primary School 200th anniversary. The celebrations started with our Annual Dance Festival in May, which was attended by the Lord Mayor of Birmingham, and finished on Wednesday 19 September with a special service at St Mary's Church which was attended by the Bishop of Birmingham. We were all delighted with the service and Jackie Hughes, Birmingham Diocesan Director of Education, and Peter French, her deputy also attended. The church was almost full with the children, invited guests, past pupils and teachers and of course, parents and carers. Thank you once again for all your support.

Celebration Assembly

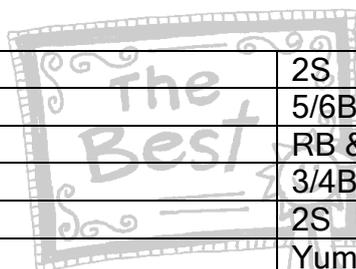
The following children will receive certificates for good work and behaviour in the Celebration Assembly on Monday 24 September 2012. Parents/Carers are welcome to attend.

Clarissa Kumari Nursery For settling well into her new class and being able to choose activities she enjoys	Suman Nandra RW For following the school rules and trying her best in all areas	Tenayah Batchelor RB For knowing all her sounds
Jadine Duncan 1C For sitting and singing beautifully in church	Kibret Solomun 1/2L For excellent behaviour in church that was noticed by a visitor	Molly Ewins 2S For an excellent start to year 2 and trying hard with her presentation.
Vishal Kalyana 3L For being an excellent mathematician and always doing his best work	Saif Sharif 3/4B For trying hard to use scientific vocabulary and carry out a fair investigation	Anisa Islam 4J For working fantastically in Science to carry out a fair investigation
Aaron Bairstow 5W For an excellent piece of work in ICT	Rehmel Brown 5/6B For working hard during Literacy lessons	Jenice Carby-Beckford 6S For an excellent traditional story

We are introducing a new award called 'The Sheep Award'. This will be awarded to the child who does not follow other children if they are doing something wrong. This week the award is going to **Eleanor Newey** in **RB**. For walking sensibly through school when others were running.

Weekly Certificates

Lining Up	2S
Spick and Span	5/6B
Movement Bird	RB & 6S
Gymnastics Monkey	3/4B
Attendance	2S
Dinner Time	Yummy Bear goes to RW Runners up - 2S



Kind and Thoughtful Person

The following children will receive the 'Kind and Thoughtful' certificate and care of a cuddly dog. The award will be presented in Celebration Assembly on Monday 24 September 2012. The lucky children will also have fruit and milk with Mrs Packer in her office.



KS1	KS2
Zoe Sau-Yee Cheung RB For being kind to a friend at lunchtime	David Lemvoka 3/4B For rushing to help another child who was injured in the playground



Message From Hamstead Hall Community College

Hamstead Hall Fun Day



Saturday 22nd September 2012
10am – 4pm

Your opportunity to see our Community Programme in action.

On Saturday 22nd of September Hamstead Hall is throwing open its doors to the local community to come and see the wide variety of activities that are on offer. With the support of the 313th Sikh Scout Group the Fun Day will be an opportunity for our local sports clubs to show case their activities and for the local community to have a go at these sports.

The scout group is also supporting the school by organising and running a variety of stalls to support the work of Hamstead Hall in the community. There will be a bring and buy stall, Tombola, Mehndi, face painting, refreshments, bouncy castle and many other activities for the family to take part in.

There will also be an opportunity to have a go at Bushcraft and Woodland activities in the schools wildlife area, and Archery, Climbing and for those with a good head for heights at the Leap of Faith.

All the money raised will be re-invested within the community programme to ensure that the school continues to be open and operate at the heart of the community.

Term Dates

Half Term	Children break up on Friday 19 October 2012 and return to school on Monday 29 October 2011
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Have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely

Ava Sturridge-Packer

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