



Stillness Junior School

“Our “Best At all Times”



Weekly Round Up Page – Week 4

Dear Stillness Families

We have recently met with Lewisham School Games to discuss a number of sporting events open to the children. Most are local and will have a 9am start. Are there any parents who would be available to drive our school mini bus to and from some of these events? If you are interested, can you please email Kim on kim@stillnessjs.lewisham.sc.uk. Thank you for your support.

School will finish on **Friday, 9 February 2024**. The following week will be half term and children will return on **Monday, 19 February 2024** for the second half of spring term.

Mrs M Nichol, Headteacher

Y3 News

Next week in Maths, we will be ordering and comparing fractions. In English, we will be continuing with our work on non-chronological reports. In Science, we will be looking at magnetic poles and how they are used in a compass. In Computing, the children will be continuing their work on branching stories and adding action settings to them.

Don't forget:

- If you have an interest/passion in Science or you have experience working in this area, we would love to hear from you. It would be great if you could come in on our Science day (**Monday 25th March**) and run a talk/workshop.
- Y3 have PE on Fridays. Please ensure your child comes to school wearing their PE kit.
- Y3 children will be given a book to read with their grown up every week. Please ensure you read with them and return the book on a Monday so they can get a new one.
- Spelling test every **Friday**.

If you have any questions/queries, you can contact your child's teacher via our Y3 email: y3@stillnessjs.lewisham.sch.uk

Restful weekend wishes.

Mrs M Chisholm – Y3 Teacher

Y5 News

Hola!! This week has been a fantastic week due to it being Curriculum Week.

On Monday, we had our Mexican dress up day, and it was lovely to see everyone get involved by wearing the Mexican colours, dress up as a Mayan or some managed to get the face paints out to celebrate the Day of the Dead. We took part in a number of different activities this week to celebrate the week, such as, tasting Mayan Hot Chocolate, which involved adding cinnamon and hot chilli pepper to our drinks, then we wrote a set of instructions on how to make the hot chocolate and then, we also designed and made a pinata individually or in groups. The children loved the different activities and enjoyed learning more about the Mayans and Mexico. Head over to the website and check out the gallery for photos. Looking at the core subjects, in Maths we have been looking at fractions of amounts and next week we will begin to look at decimals and percentages and how they link. Lastly, in English, we have started to look at a balanced argument and the key features that go with this such as, formal language, third person, sentence starters and rhetorical questions.

Don't forget:

- **Wednesday 21st February** - We have managed to secure another trip for the term as part of our RE unit on Hinduism. This will be a morning trip to the temple in Lewisham. If you would like to come and support us please email the Y5 Team on Y5@stillnessjs.lewisham.sch.uk.
- Swimming - Thank you to all the parents in Grierson, who have signed up for swimming to help us. We are still short on **Tuesday 5th March**. If you can come on this date please email and let us know, your support is really appreciated.

Miss A Curtis – Y5 Lead

Stillness Wish List

In recent Class Rep meetings, parents and carers asked how the Stillness Junior School community can contribute to equipment for the school. Please take a look at our new Amazon Wish List where you can buy items selected by our teachers and children on the front page of our website.

Y4 News

A fantastic week in Y4 with some really fun activities. Dress up day was a big success- thanks to everyone for making an effort, it really helped to make some of the day immersive and very memorable for the children. Head over to the website and check out the gallery for photos

Our writing this week has focused on character descriptions and independently editing work. The children have come up with some wonderful ideas!

We started our new Math unit- we will be looking at Perimeter and Area. The children have taken to it brilliantly, converting Kms to Ms and vice-versa.

On Tuesday, the children played raiding games in PE and spent the afternoon trading resources in different Viking clans. Hopefully this taught them some valuable life skills too: compromise, patience and strategy!

We will be finishing off our Science topic of Electricity with an assessment of learning so far before moving on to exploring Sound!

As Science day is approaching- If you have an interest/passion in Science or you have experience working in this area and are able to run a workshop/talk to celebrate our Science Day (Monday 25th March) this year, we would love to hear from you!

Thank you!

Y6 News

Well done to all the children for another wonderful week. The children have focussed well and produced lots of high quality work. Our immersive dress up day was a huge success, the children looked wonderful while creating a life-size Henry VIII in D&T. Head over to the website and check out the gallery for photos! Thanks to everyone who contributed materials and objects to make this activity a success.

During the week, we learnt about the 5 Precepts in Buddhism, we continued our stories using scratch during our computing lesson and started researching Henry VIII's wives. In PE, we focussed on how our physical strength can help to improve a person's endurance, prevent injury and ensure the person retains their full mobility. Remind your child that the exercises we performed in school can be part of a weekly routine at home too! A big highlight of the week was welcoming Kerry Roulston to run a workshop on microorganisms to support our science unit. The presentation was full of interesting facts that kept the children engaged and asking for more information! In fact, we were blown away by the expert questions from the children showing how interested they are in all things science!

Next week in maths, we will be looking at decimals, and in English, we will start to write our balanced arguments. Remember to check out the homework set on google classroom and although optional, we do encourage it to be completed as it will consolidate the learning in class.

We wish you a fun weekend, only one more week to go!

Mrs Threadgold - Y6 Lead