



Fleetville News

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Dear Parents/Carers,

We are delighted to inform you that we have appointed a teacher to cover 5B whilst Miss Breeze is on maternity leave. Mrs Williamson is an experienced teacher who has recently moved to the area. She has met with Miss Breeze and the children in 5B and is looking forward to next half term.

Thank you to everyone who attended the book fair this week. It coincided with a visit from a local author Sue Hampton. She spoke to Year 5 children and inspired many of them to read her books as well as fostering their interest in literacy generally. Through the many purchases made at the book fair, £300 worth of books have been ordered for the library. With the £500 donated by the PTA, this will allow us to keep the library well stocked with books in good condition.

Reminder to parents of Year 5 children: The next instalment of £75 for the Manor Adventure trip is now due.

Several parents attended the e-safety evening on Wednesday as part of the NEXUS Family Learning Week. The audience enjoyed a very informative presentation by Fiona Haynes—a parent who has worked with several police authorities and other agencies to educate internet users about the potential dangers. She made several suggestions as to how to ensure as safe an experience as possible whilst using the internet. A copy of her presentation will

shortly be available on the NEXUS website should you wish to download it.

Parents of children in Year 6 should receive a questionnaire with this newsletter about weight and height as part of the national campaign. Completion of the forms is optional—completed forms being processed by the Health Service rather than the school.

We are looking forward to welcoming Miss Figg back after half term. She has been particularly unwell—suffering from pneumonia this half term but is nearly back to full strength.

We trust that everyone will enjoy a rest over half term.

Jeremy Loukes and Kathryn Ball

Dates for your diary

11-15/2/08	Half Term
19&20/2/08	Y4 Electricity Workshops
6/3/08	World Book Day (dress up as your favourite book character)
08/3/08	Netball Tournament
11/3/08	4M Parent/teacher Consultations
13/3/08	Parent/teacher Consultations
15/3/08	Swimming Gala
18/3/08	Parent/teacher Consultations
18-20/3/08	Alban Arena
20/3/08	Last Day of Term

Dear Children,

3B—thank you for your assembly this morning. You set a great example with your concentration and organisation. You have clearly learnt a lot about the Tudors.

Year 3 had a great day at Hatfield House yesterday. As 3B mentioned in their assembly, it is a good job everyone arrived back at school with their head!

Mrs Willson said that the recorders played very well as they entertained Henry VIII—it sounds like a very nerve wracking experience!

We hope you have a great half term break. Don't forget— if you have any spare time, there may be things from this half term that you would like to find out more about.

Mr. Loukes and Mrs. Ball

Congratulations

Certificates will be presented to the following children on 25th February. Parents/Carers of these children are very welcome to attend:

Year 3

Katie Callaghan
Jack Curran
Doran Ivers
Elinor Dixon
Habiba Baig
Talha Turk

Year 4

Zishaan Uddin
Julia Halligan
Lydia Bown
Alicia Smith
Zach Moore

Sophia Khanna

Year 5

Max Chason
Sindhuri Bhagirathy
Eddie Amato
Max Sharpe
Tamjid Choudhury
Dominic Lincoln

Year 6

Hemanth Bhagirathy
Annabel Smith
Richard Marshall
Samantha Dobson
Callum Glenister
Chris Stone

Setpoint comes to Fleetville

On Wednesday 6th February, the Setpoint workshop came to Fleetville School to make model towers for the upcoming Olympic games.

The children had to make towers out of paper tubes that represented steel and £1000 of council money. Using nuts and bolts to join them together, they had to make a 1m high tower that could support a 1kg weight. The resources available to the children were: as much paper as they needed, steel nuts and bolts, a hole punch, a rolling stick and some pencils.

To me, the workshop sounded quite challenging - to meet all the requirements in one morning! However the children were very successful. One of them said: "I was a bit put off at first, because I thought that it was going to be really hard to meet all the requirements, but it turned out to be really fun."

Setpoint did a wonderful job with the students. It was educational, fun and made the children think carefully about their designs.

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