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Events Over the Week

Fri, 4 th	Melissa Dando and Josie Holloway's Retirement Assembly
Fri, 4 th	Year Five Class Tea
Fri, 11 th	Year Six Class Tea

Happy Retirement - A Reminder

To mark the retirement of Melissa Dando and Josie Holloway, a special assembly will be held TOMORROW at 2.45pm. Melissa worked at New End since September 1996 as EMAG teacher and Josie since September 2002 as a teaching assistant. Past and present parents and carers are welcome to attend the assembly to show their appreciation of Melissa and Josie.

The Big Draw Exhibition 2016 - A Reminder

Don't forget that our Big Draw exhibition can still be viewed in the Baptist Church in Heath Street. Many classes and parents have already taken up the opportunity to see their art work this week. The children's work is amazing and everyone who has visited has commented on the variety and quality of the work displayed! **The exhibition is open tonight from 5.30-6pm. The exhibition will be open on Saturday between 10am and 2pm so if you have yet to take a look, pop in!**

My thanks to all the staff for working so hard with the children to develop such fantastic and different art pieces for the display. Particular thanks to Laura Nice, New End's Art Co-ordinator, for putting the exhibition together and to Selina Skipwith, Parent Governor, for organising access to the space and supporting Laura in the organisation. Thanks also to Ewan King, minister at the Heath Street Baptist Church, for enabling the school to have access to the church so that the exhibition can be viewed by the wider community.

Celebration of Music at Christmas - Save the Dates!

As the whole school production has been changed to the end of the academic year, the school is going to hold two Celebration of Music Concerts. These concerts will be performed at the Heath Street Baptist Church with each class performing a song and musical performances from both the KS1 and KS2 choirs. The following days have been allocated for the different classes' involvement. Performances will start at 2.15pm.

Tues, 6th December

Nursery, RM, 1D, 2E, 3P, 4W, 5H, 6J

Wed, 7th December

RS, 1K, 2N, 3C, 4T, 5W, 6S

More information to follow.

Science at New End

Next week, all classes will be involved in science workshops provided by the Francis Crick Institute. Year 6 will be doing a workshop titled "Science Communication" - a session that uses microscopy to illustrate the importance of good communication in science. The pupils will be trained to use the microscopes and to teach their parents to use them. This workshop will be held in the Ground Floor Hall next Tuesday, 8th November from 3.45 to 4.30pm.

Rachel Segal, Science Leader

PS Look out for the optional science homework that will be given out this Friday. If your child completes 4 tasks and has 4 shaded boxes they will get a certificate. Please bring in evidence of their work as well as pictures to show what they have been working on.

NESA Updates

The New End tea towels are here! And they look amazing. There are 3 designs this year: N, R and Y1; Y2, Y3 and Y4; and Y5 and Y6. On sale at Class Tea on Fridays and at the Winter Fair. Perfect Christmas present. £3.50 each or two for £6.

Winter Fair Poster Competition Thanks to everyone who submitted a poster. Ms Ray will be taking a look on Monday 6 November and the winning design(s) will be confirmed in next week's newsletter.

Winter Fair Update There's lots of hard work going on behind the scenes to make this year's Winter Fair a great success. We will put a box in reception for your tombola donations. Any donations of chocolates, toiletries, new toys etc would be fantastic!

Raffle tickets As usual we have our big prize raffle. This year we have an iPad mini up for grabs and the best Winter hamper along with some other great prizes. Raffle tickets will be in book bags so look out for them and be sure to sell as many as you can and return the stubs and money to the office or via book bags.

Crackers! Yes, it's that time of year again. Are you ready to make a crazy winter creation out of a tube stuffed with sweets and decorated with your imagination the only limitation? We hope so. All crackers are raffled off at the Winter Fair, so be sure to make lots! More instructions in next week's newsletter.

Celebrating Attendance and Punctuality

Here is last week's attendance and punctuality for all classes from Reception to Year 6.

	Attendance	Unauthorised Absence	No of Lates (no of chn)
RM	96.31%	0.82%	4 (2)
RS	95.83%	0% 😊	7 (3)
1D	94.33%	0% 😊	2 (2)
1K	98.33%	0% 😊	0 😊😊
2E	92.96%	0% 😊	2 (2)
2N	95.38%	0.77%	9 (5)

	Attendance	Unauthorised Absence	No of Lates (no of chn)
3C	95.86%	0% 😊	2 (1)
3P	95.86%	0% 😊	0 😊😊
4T	96.19%	0% 😊	4 (2)
4W	96.07%	0% 😊	1 (1)
5H	96.43%	1.43%	3 (3)
5W	96.54%	0% 😊	6 (3)
6J	93.33%	0% 😊	4 (3)
6S	93.67%	0% 😊	2 (2)

Attendance across the school the week before half term was 94.90%, with an unauthorised absence level of 1.46%. Attendance to date this year is 95.82%, with an unauthorised absence level of 0.41%. Parents and carers are reminded that any absence from school is considered an absence on your child's record.

There were 46 lates the week before half term (19 less than the previous week) involving 29 children throughout the school (15 less than the previous week). **Improving but room to go!**

Well done 1K and 3P for no lates at all in the final week before half term!

2016-2017 Dates for your Diary

Wed, 16th November Coffee with Karyn - 9.15am
 Fri, 18th November Nursery Class Tea
 Sun, 20th November NESA Winter Fair

Fri, 25th November Reception Class Tea
 Fri, 2nd December NESA Class Tea
 Tues, 13th December Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day
 Fri, 16th December Last Day of Autumn Term - 1.30pm

And Finally

If you pay school dinner money half termly, £81.90 is now due. Please send it to your child's class teacher in an envelope marked with your child's name and class.

Karyn Ray Headteacher

