



## Forest Schools

Children across our Early Years classes have been out in the great outdoors this week, enjoying our Forest school sessions with our Lead teachers, Gina and Steven. Forest Schools is an approach that values learning in the outdoor environment, finding out about nature and the world we live in, whilst building dens, exploring the meadow and secret garden, making mud pies and spotting creatures! Forest schools sessions help children build confidence, bond with others, and take risks. We believe children have a right to nature and we won't let the urban London landscape stop us. We are lucky to have several amazing outdoor spaces right here at Jubilee that we can use to explore!



We are very proud and excited to announce that there is now a Jubilee Music Blog!

You'll find exclusive sound recordings here of the wonderful **creativity** of the children in their weekly music classes from nursery all the way to Year 6 as well as sounds from the outstanding music clubs and activities we have here at Jubilee such as: Orchestra, Infant Choir, Junior Choir, Singing Assembly, Ukulele club, Jubilee Staff band, School of Rock, Jubilee Brass, violins and flute.

Please have a look and check regularly - there will be new recordings here for you to enjoy and share with your family and friends every week!

[Click here for the blog](#)

## A Message from Mrs Hewins

It's been another exciting term at Jubilee. The children have had so many amazing experiences, including the girls' and boys' team playing in the Hackney football tournament. I watched the girls in the finals and was so impressed with the skills and quality of sportsmanship. They lost out on the top prize by a single goal difference. Read about it on page 3. The whole school took part in a fundraising event called the 'Escape Room' which was the brainchild of our Year 6 pupils. An amazing experience was had by all. Thank you to the adults that helped set up the Escape Room. We couldn't have done it without you! The pupils performed for both parents and in assembly showing off all the skills they learned through LAMDA. A big thanks to Laura-Beth from us all. I hope you all enjoy your Easter break and look I look forward to seeing you and the children back in the Summer Term.

## Fundraising



Have you seen our PTA [justgiving](#) fundraising page?

The PTA is now a charity and you can donate to them. These funds will go to the school to raise money for resources and projects in Performing Arts, which is one of our school priorities. You can donate to our ongoing fundraising efforts [here](#).

We are always looking for more support to help us raise money to improve our lovely school for our children. If you can spare a few hours to help, and you are keen to contribute ideas and energy, we would love to hear from you! We have so many ideas to raise money in the future but we need pairs of hands! Email [jubileen16@gmail.com](mailto:jubileen16@gmail.com)

See Page 5 for more information from the PTA, including more information about the upcoming cool disco....!

## Science Breakfast

Join us in the New Hall from **8am on Thursday 25th April** for an exciting science themed breakfast event.

Look out for more information about our school science week coming soon!

## Personal, Social, Health, Emotional Education (PSHE)

Our PSHE topic this term is "Relationships" which has a wide focus, looking at diverse topics such as families, friendships, pets and animals, and love and loss. A vital part of this unit is about safeguarding and keeping children safe; this links to cyber safety and social networking; children learn how to deal with conflict, their own strengths and self-esteem. They have the chance to explore roles and responsibilities in families, and look at stereotypes. You can talk to your child at home about:

- Encouraging the importance of forming good friendships
- Discussing and helping solve friendship problems when they occur
- Celebrating the positive relationships within the family
- Treating others respectfully
- Deciding with your child what the best thing to do at home is when they feel upset

## SATS

Year 6 SATs are in the week commencing Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May. The tests will take place on the mornings of Monday 13<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> between approximately 9 and 11am. If your child is in Year 6, please ensure that your child is on time for school, had a good breakfast and night's sleep. Our approach is cool and calm, and the children should follow our lead. If you have any further questions, please speak to your child's teacher.

## Open Classrooms

You are invited to come into your child's class and see how your child is developing their reading skills. Open classroom will start at 9:15am and finish at 9:45am. Please put the date in your diary and come along.

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2: Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April  
Year 5 and Year 6: Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April  
Year 3 and Year 4: Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> May

Please meet in the New Hall after you have dropped your child off where we have some light refreshments before going round to class.

See you there!

## What is oracy?

Oracy is the ability to communicate effectively using spoken language, meaning that a child with good Oracy skills is not only a confident and clear speaker but also a good listener too.

## Why is oracy important?

Developing children's Oracy skills is vitally important for their success both in education and beyond, with studies showing that children with stronger Oracy skills obtain higher GCSE grades, and surveys showing that many employers now rate good verbal communication skills as the most important factor when awarding someone a position.

## How can I help at home?

You can help your children by having discussions with them, prompting them to give and justify their own opinions and then make sure they listen and respond to yours. Below we've included some sentence stems to help you structure your discussions and some questions of the month to hopefully give you something fun to talk about. If you have any questions at all about how to support your children to develop their Oracy skills, then ask your child's class teacher. They will be happy to help. Happy chatting!

### Sentence Stems:

- I think that . . . because . . .
- I agree/disagree with you because . . .
- You've changed my mind because . . .

### Questions of the Month

- If you could only eat one food, what would it be and why?
- If you could be any animal, what would it be and why?
- If elephants ruled the world what changes would you see?
- What is more important, being right or being nice?
- If I borrow a million pounds, am I a millionaire?

## Scooters

Please make sure that you have taken your scooters home before the end of term. We've noticed several abandoned ones that seem to be left here every day. We will be clearing all the leftover scooters over Easter so make sure you have taken yours!

## Trip to Cambridge

Year 6 spent the day in Cambridge exploring Clare College. They learnt all about university life and even got chance to take part in a philosophy lecture with one of the university's students! A huge thank you to the school PTA who funded the coach travel to Cambridge. A great day was had by all!

# World Book Day

A big thank you to everyone who joined with the celebrations on World Book Day. As ever, it was a total pleasure to see children and adults dressed up as characters from favourite stories. We had a lovely Reading Breakfast on the day, which was well attended with lots of families coming along to share stories and gasp in wonder at some of the outfits over a croissant! Thank you to everyone for organising, volunteering and coming along. Here are some of the wonderful costumes from the day.



## Updates from Mark

### Football



A big well done to the girls' football team who finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Hackney school's five-a-side football league. The competition started with 25 schools back in October with Jubilee making it to the finals on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March. The girls played four games, winning 2 and drawing 2, but missed out on top spot on goal difference. Well done to Cleo, Willow, Ammaarah, Georgette, Sarah, Nissi, Poppy and Alyssa-Gail.

### Sponsored Skip

Thank you to all the children who took part in the sponsored skip in early March. We raised a staggering £736 to be used for school sports.

### Hackney Primary Triathlon



For the past three years I have organised a triathlon for primary schools in Hackney for children in Years 5 and 6. The event has grown year on year with over 80 children taking part at Olympic Pool and surrounding area in 2018. This year I am looking for sponsors for the event, so if you or someone you know would like to sponsor the event or part of the event please email [admin@jubilee.hackney.sch.uk](mailto:admin@jubilee.hackney.sch.uk)

### Swimming for Aspen and Birch Classes

Aspen class, Year 5, will start swimming at Clissold Leisure Centre on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April and Birch class, Year 3, will continue to swim at Kings Hall Leisure Centre from Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April. Your children will need a swimming costume (no football shorts), a towel, hat and goggles (optional).

## Fun Trips!

We have so many amazing trips coming up next term. Here's a sneak peek!

Year 1 – Springfield Growing Communities

Year 3 – Epping Forest

Year 2/4 – Woodberry Wetlands

Year 5 – Kew Gardens

Watch this space for updates on how the trips went.

## Calling all Gardeners!

Do you have any of the following you could donate to our Forest School? We are looking for donations of:

- Trowels/small gardening tools
- wheelbarrows
- spades
- spare wood
- crates
- tarpaulin
- nature books

Please bring donations round to the Reception entrance and hand to the Reception staff. Thank you!

## Ice lollies and Ice Pops

Year 6 will be selling ice lollies and ice pops after school every day in the summer term.

Sample menu

Ice pops: 20p each

Rocket lollies: 40p each

Strawberry/orange/mango lollies: 40p each

All profits will go towards our goal of improving environments, including the New Hall. Thank you for your support!



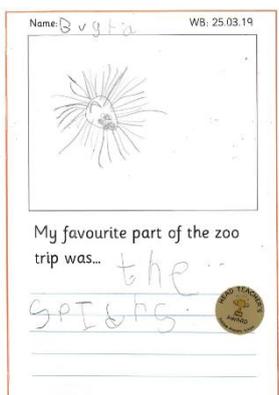
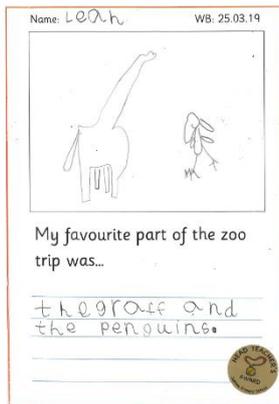
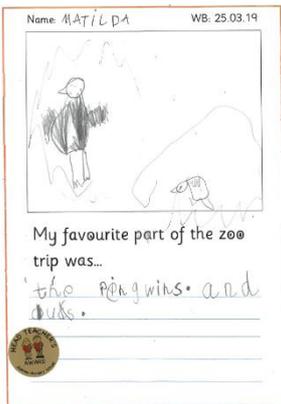
## Library Committee

The library committee donation boxes have collected £106.73! Thank you all for your small change! The money will be used to purchase books that are needed for Jubilee pupils. Thank you!

## Nursery Applications

We are still taking applications for nursery places for September. Our Nursery offers FREE full time and part time spaces. Did you know that families can pay top up to convert a part time to a full time place? Call the office to find out more. We are also taking bookings for Nursery tours. Please email [admissions@jubilee.hackney.sch.uk](mailto:admissions@jubilee.hackney.sch.uk) to arrange a visit.

Please donate children's wellies and fleeces that your child no longer needs. Wellies need to be watertight – no wellies with holes please! Fleeces in sizes 4/5/6. Bring to Reception/Nursery. Thank you so much!



## Reception at the Zoo

Walnut and Chestnut Class had an amazing time at London Zoo last week. Their topic this half term has been Animals, and this trip was a brilliant treat for the end of term. Everyone enjoyed seeing so many exciting animals in real life! Children were inspired to write down what their favourite animals were. Bugra loved the spiders! Leah loved the giraffes and the penguins! Thank you to all the parent/carer volunteers and staff that made the trip successful.

## PTA PAGE

A big thank you to everyone who helped out at the Farmer's market. We made a £240 profit that will go towards the school's garden project. We would love to have more stalls for the next one towards the end of the year so if you are interested in getting involved put your thinking caps on!

### Help Organise the Disco!

The next PTA event will be the Jubilee school disco at 3:30 on the 23rd May. There will be drinks and snacks for sale and most importantly great music for everyone to enjoy. As always we need volunteers to make these events happen so if you can spare a bit of time please let one of the PTA members know or email us at [jubileen16@gmail.com](mailto:jubileen16@gmail.com)

### Run for Jubilee! (or sponsor them!)

A couple of Jubilee parents have formed "Team Jubilee" to run the Hackney Half Marathon in May to raise money for the school. The team is open for anyone to join (the more the merrier). You can also show your support by sponsoring them, any amount would be appreciated. This is their page <https://www.justgiving.com/teams/JubileePTA>

### Help Us Out and Get Involved!

The PTA is always looking for more pairs of hands to help out with ongoing fundraising, the more people get involved, the more money we can raise. If you can help out in any capacity - no matter how big or small - do please get in touch by either speaking to one of the PTA or your class rep or emailing the PTA at [jubileen16@gmail.com](mailto:jubileen16@gmail.com).

## Volunteers Needed for our Library

The Jubilee Library Committee needs more volunteers! The two areas we need help in are our Assisted Reading Program and Book Labelling. In both cases the school would need to run a DBS check for you to participate. In the AR program a volunteer commits as little as one hour a week reading with a pupil, usually from 9-10 AM but we can accommodate other schedules. The main objective in this role is that you are there consistently, to listen to a student read aloud to you. We also very much need volunteers to label our books. There is a simple system and stickers to adhere to the books. For both areas guidance/training is provided. If you have any time and interest to offer in either of these areas please email us at [jubileen16library@gmail.com](mailto:jubileen16library@gmail.com)

## Deep Fear

Nick Carter is a local adventurer who has previously climbed Mount Everest and crossed the Sahara Desert. He has challenged children to conquer their fears by setting themselves 'bravery missions'. He and his team are doing the same and have been sending us daily video updates from around the world as they attempt to overcome their own fears. The children have been exploring how our fears can sometimes hold us back, and thinking about which fears they might like to overcome. On Wednesday 3rd April, Nick Carter came into Jubilee to talk to the children about his adventures and present prizes to children who have successfully completed their bravery missions.

Karim conquered his fear of public speaking and performance, Anaiya broke down her fear of scary movies into smaller steps, Casimir made a video diary of himself tackling his fear of the dark, Lili, Donald and Matilda all took photos of themselves overcoming their fear. A big well done to you all! Have no fear!



### PLEASE NOTE

The school photographer will be in on 5<sup>th</sup> June. Please make a note of this date in your diaries!