



Ecclesbourne Primary School

Newsletter 29th January 2016



Dear Parents and Carers,

It seems that we've only just got back from the Christmas break but already there has been so much going on that the weeks have flown by. The children have had an extremely busy week with trips and special events and there are more on the way. I would like to thank the staff for all their hard work in providing these rich learning experiences. It is also lovely to see parents coming in to watch the children in their class assemblies so check the website or ask your child's teacher for the date. Once again, parents will also have the opportunity to visit our Museum Day when the children will be sharing the work they have been doing in their thematic lessons. Dates are on the website and below.

Cinderella's wedding: Year One celebrated the wedding of Cinderella and Prince Charming this week. The children all got dressed up to watch the ceremony, enjoy the wedding breakfast and then share the dances they have been learning. All of this is a great source of inspiration for some wonderful writing.

Reception theatre visit: The Reception children have been out today to watch a production of the much loved children's tale 'The Gruffalo's child'. As well as being a great opportunity to visit a theatre, this also follows up some creative writing and work on descriptive language. The children were all very excited to be going on such a big adventure.

Year 3 to the Museum of Transport: As part of their ongoing work on the Victorians, Year Three have also been out and about visiting the Transport Museum. As well as sitting on an Omnibus and looking at Victorian vehicles, they learnt all about how the Underground was built and even got to drive a Tube train.

The Pegasus Choir at the O2: Children from Whitehorse Manor Juniors and Ecclesbourne joined over 7000 other children to perform at the O2. Children travelled to Greenwich, to the iconic venue, by train and river boat for a day's rehearsal followed by the concert. It was a long day with a late night journey home by tube but it was well worth it. This was a wonderful opportunity for the children to perform in such a large group and one that will stay with them for a long time. It's not everyone who can grow up and tell their children "When I was young I performed at the O2". Many thanks to Mr Spoerer and all the staff who helped. To see the photos, visit the website at www.pegasusacademytrust.org.

Punctuality and Attendance: Last week's attendance winners with 99.86% were Asteroids. Well done to them. Sadly, we still face an ongoing battle with punctuality. It was disappointing to note that last week we had 68 incidences of lateness. Some children were late 3 out of the 5 days and it is often the same names that appear week after week. Please make an extra effort to get your child in school on time if you are one of the persistent offenders as our Educational Welfare Officer is now looking into this.

Other events in the coming weeks:

Friday 5th February – Asteroids class assembly 11:00am

Friday 12th February - Museum day, details to follow.

Friday 12th February – last day of half term

8th and 9th March - Parents' evenings

Friday 11th March - Saturn class assembly 11:00am

Thursday 24th March - end of spring term

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