



Sharmans Cross Junior School

Striving for Excellence

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Dates for your diary:

27 - Hannukah
28 - Parents' Evening

December

4 - Advent
6 - Coffee Morning
6 - School Bank
6 - Christmas Fair
12 - Yr 3 Production 7pm
at Shirley Baptist
Church
13 - School Bank
18 - Parties
20 - School Bank
23 - Christmas Break

2014

January

6 - INSET - Playing for
the Badge
7 - Return to school
10 - Coffee Morning
10 - Curriculum Overviews
out
10 - Targets negotiated /
shared / displayed
22 - Milad Un Nabi
29 - Chinese New Year
30 - Parents' Forum

February

7 - Coffee Morning
10 - Maths Enrichment
Week
11 - Safer Internet Day
13 - Disco
17 - Half Term

March

5 - Ash Wednesday
7 - Coffee Morning
11 - Y5 York
12 - Holi
19 - Purim
27 - Parents' Evening
31 - Y5 Bikeability Training
(31st March - 4th April)

April

2 - Yugadi
4 - Coffee Morning
9 - Easter
14 - Easter break
28 - INSET - Curriculum
/ Vision
30 - Passover

What a fab-u-lous performance Y5 gave this week, as an infamous tv critic might say. In fact, I doubt very much that even he could have failed to bring out the 10 paddle! Apart from the fantastic production of the play, it also had the perfect message for our anti-bullying and cultural awareness weeks combined!

Tuishi Pamoja, a vibrant musical set in Africa, is Swahili for 'we want to live together'. The beautifully told story celebrated diversity and taught us the importance of accepting and getting along those who are different from us.

Are stripes really stupid? And is it true that you can't talk sense with animals that have spots? Important questions for the young giraffe and zebra, Raffi and Zea who appeared to want to be friends. Despite a few wobbly moments, by the end of the play, they have become friends and brought their reluctant herds together, understanding more about each other in the process.

The performances went down a storm, with parents full of compliments! The children loved preparing and performing the piece and poured all of their energy into learning their parts. The songs were fantastic and I have to say I thought the singing to be amongst the best that I have heard from a primary school group.

Thank you to everyone involved in making this such a fantastic and memorable event, especially to the Y5 team, Miss Boon, Mrs Afzal, Mrs Green and Mrs Harrison for all of their energy.

As one performance ends, another one starts to prepare, with Y3 now using the drama space for their Christmas production, *It's a Party!*, which is to be performed at a new venue for us, Shirley Baptist Church, on Thursday 12th December.

Next week brings Parents' Evening and a school book fair. If you haven't booked an appointment already, please visit www.sxjs.parentseveningsystem.co.uk. If you have any queries, please contact Mrs Trumper, who will be more than happy to help you out!

Have a great weekend!

Mark

Wanted by Star Beads Enterprise Club

As we are busy designing and making sparkly festive gifts, for the soon to be here Christmas Fair, we are asking for parents and friends to please donate any ribbon to our Enterprise Club that we can use on our Christmas decorations. We have found that lots of us have loops inside our clothes at home (you know the bits that sometimes stick out the top of new jumpers and cardigans and get in the way) and these can be carefully removed so as to not damage the clothes - these are just perfect for what we need! So if you can spare your 'loops' please pop them in an envelope or bag and drop them into the office for us. Many thanks in advance.

Year 4 Star Beads

Year 5 Family Workshops

Don't forget our Year 5 Family workshops in January! Last year, the workshop proved very valuable for both children and parents, with 100% of the children and adults saying that they thought parents would be able to help their child more at home with their targets and homework. Here are the dates:

5TB: Monday 20th January, 9.30am

5CH: Tuesday 21st January, 9.30am

5AG: Thursday 23rd January, 9.30am

More information coming soon!

Miss Boon

Book Fair

If you are stuck for some Christmas presents, 'The Travelling Book Company' Book Fair may be the answer! It will be open after school on Tuesday 26th November, 3.30pm-4.15pm, and then on Thursday 28th November (during Parents Evening) between 4.00pm and 8.00pm- so have a browse before or after your appointment! **Please note, any purchases made at the book fair need to be cash.**

Any money you spend, gives us credit to buy books for our library and classrooms! Last year, we raised over £300 for new books for our library!

Miss Boon

SC_Kids - Christmas Shopping Offer

Need some time to go Christmas shopping on your own?

SC_Kids will be opening until 7.00pm on Friday 13th December!

We will be having lots of Christmas themed fun activities so why not take advantage of our special offer prices and finish off that last minute shopping.

PTA Christmas Fair Friday 6 December 6 pm - 8.30 pm

Family Programmes costing £1.00 are available to purchase on Parent Pay or on the door for £2.

If you are able to help on the day the PA would love to hear from you.