

ARNETT HILLS JMI SCHOOL

Friday 8th June 2018

I hope you all had a lovely half term. What a busy start we have had to the final half term of the school year....

GUITAR ASSEMBLY

On Monday the school enjoyed listening to the children who are currently having guitar lessons. There were tunes we recognised on acoustic and electric guitars. Well done children, it was clear how much you have to practise.



SPLASH—Science workshop

This week Reception Class and Year 2 were lucky to take part in a Setpoint workshop. Groups explored how water is transported, the affect the size of a load has on whether a boat can float or sink and how the size of the paddle on a boat changes the direction it travels in. Thank you to Miss Bowler for organising this, the PTA for funding it and to the parents who volunteered on the day.

VISIT FROM ATHLETE

On Tuesday afternoon the whole school got busy in the hall doing a high energy fitness circuit. They were encouraged by Omar and Luke Delahunty, an athlete who has represented GB in The Invictus Games.. There were certainly some sweaty brows at the end of it. Thank you if you managed to get sponsorship for this event. The money will be used to buy sports resources for the children and to contribute to funds used for athletes' training. Any further sponsorship money should be handed in by Tuesday June 12th. Thank you. The children also had an assembly given by Luke in which he explained about his life and achievements and how, despite being in a wheelchair, he has been able to pursue activities in the same way (and more) that an able bodied person can (scuba diving and flying a plane)



YEAR 1 TRIP TO BRACKNELL OUTDOOR CENTRE

Miss Wenham and her team returned full of praise for Year 1 after their trip. They had a busy morning exploring different areas of science: light and dark, water, electricity and living things. The children made huge bricks out of plasticine then used them to build houses in which they could then play. After lunch in the forest, they went amongst the trees where they did orienteering activities.



YEAR 4 TRIP TO HATFIELD HOUSE

Miss Malloppa organised a trip to this historic site in connection with the topic The Tudors. The children went on a woodland walk to see the 'Elizabeth Oak' where she received the news of her ascension to the throne. Guides took the children around the Palace gardens. The children had a chance to sing the song they had learnt with Miss Seymour to Henry VIII,



Catherine Parr and the court musician Thomas Tallis. One of the guides commented on the children's impeccable behaviour and their depth of knowledge.

YEAR 6 ROUNDERS MATCH

On Thursday the Year 6 children put the practices to good effect yesterday when they played their first match against St Mary's which they won 12—8 1/5.. There were some hard strikes, super catches and accurate throwing. The children really enjoyed the experience: thank you to Miss Norton-Child and Miss Bowler for organising practices and matches.

Well done to the families in Reception Class for raising a magnificent £669.21 through the sale of items made from recycled materials as part of their topic on 'Saving the Planet'

NEXT WEEK...

Year 6 will be away for the week on their residential outdoor activity adventure. I am sure they will come back full of stories to tell of their achievements.

Year 1 will do their phonic screening test. This will be done with the minimum of fuss with Miss Wenham and will feel just like an individual phonic session. Once the threshold mark is published, we shall be able to inform Year 1 parents about how their children got on.

Community News

On Friday Kaycee-Mae will be selling cupcakes and brownies etc. to raise money for the Peace Hospice. She has been supporting this charity for two years. If you would like to support her in her fund raising please bring in 50p. Last year she managed to raise £180.

HOUSE POINT CUP



1st	Robins	228
2nd	Kingfishers	152
3rd	Greenfinches	151
4th	Canaries	145

PTA NEWS
ARNETT HILLS PTA SUMMER FAYRE
SATURDAY JUNE 23RD 12 TO 3PM

It was lovely to see so many of you at the PTA coffee morning today. Please look out for ways in which you can support this hard working group of parents as they prepare for the imminent summer fayre.

Friday June 15th—Non uniform day in exchange for a bottle

Friday June 22nd—Non uniform day in exchange for a jazzy bag

Please let your class reps or myself know if you can spare 30 minutes to run a stall on Saturday June 23rd between 12 and 3pm. Every little really does help.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH

PTA Lottery

This week was a double draw. Winners are as follows:

May

First place -Mrs Rae
Second place -Mrs Prior
Third place -Mrs Smart

June

First place -Mrs K. Coteman
Second place—Miss Ali
Third place -Mr Smith

School meals

Please can we remind you that school meals should be paid for in advance. There is currently a large amount of outstanding dinner payments and it takes considerable time to chase families. If you are experiencing any difficulties with payment please do come and speak to a member of the office staff who will try to help you with this situation. Please can you ensure that you settle your bills no later than the July 2nd. Don't forget that you can pay using the more convenient method of SchoolGateway.com although we still do accept cash or cheques of this is easier for you. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.