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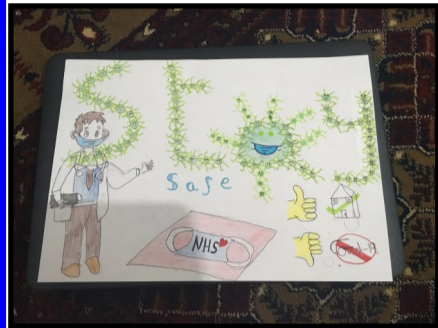
WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 22nd January 2021

'Turn in' your work via Teams

It is great to see how many of the children have been actively participating in the live lessons each day via Microsoft Teams. To make the most of your learning experience, don't forget to send your teacher a photograph of your work (if you have done it on paper) or to 'turn in' any assignments that have been set.

In 6F this week, **Atifa** and **Bruno** remembered to 'turn in' their safety posters and just look at how

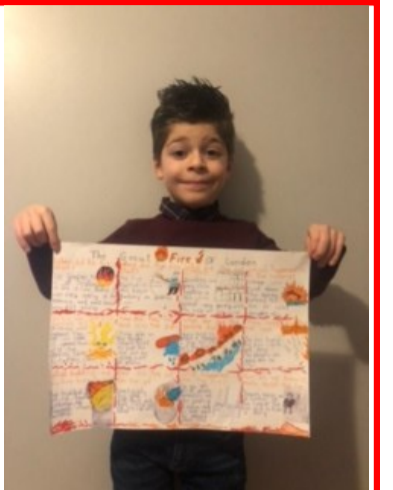


talented they are. Well done you two!

Great Fire of London

In Year 2, the children have started their Spring Term topic on The Great Fire of London.

This week they found out when the fire started, how long it lasted and what caused it to spread. Huge congratulations to **Orlando (2B)** who has presented the information in such a clear way!



IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 1st February - Sunday 7th February

- Children's Mental Health Awareness Week

Tuesday 9th February

- Safer Internet Day (for full details and good advice visit...

www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/2021)

Friday 12th February

- End of Spring Term 1

Monday 15th — Friday 19th February

- Half Term Holiday (school closed)

Monday 22nd February

- Spring Term 2 begins

TAX-FREE CHILDCARE

Following feedback from several parents and carers, we are pleased to announce that Holbeach Primary School has registered as a childcare provider with the government's 'Tax-Free Childcare' scheme.

This means that, any parents/carers who pay for our wrap-around services (breakfast clubs and after school clubs) can now do so using this scheme. All you need to do is sign up to the scheme and designate us as one of your childcare providers.

Full details of this scheme, how to register for it can be found at this website:

<https://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk/how-to-use-tax-free-childcare/>



Websites of the week

During these challenging times it can be time consuming trawling round the internet looking for suitable websites for your child to access in the independent learning part of the day.

Here are a few websites that have been recommended to us by parents who have found them useful:

- www.mathplayground.com
- www.mathsframe.co.uk
- www.spellingframe.co.uk
- www.topmarks.co.uk

As an alternative to screen time, however, please remember that **playing games like 'Uno', 'Battleships', 'Snakes & Ladders' and 'Connect 4' will help to develop a range of social skills** (e.g. turn taking) as well as Maths and English techniques.

A Message from the Governing Board

The Governing Board met this week for a resources committee meeting where we focused much our discussions on the current financial situation of Holbeach. The School Business Manager Gareth Hudson, provided a clear and transparent summary of the financial position of the school and the impact of the pandemic on it. During the rest of the meeting, we covered a number of health and safety issues and progress related to the premises.

We were pleased to be joined for the first time by our newest member, Parent Governor Gbolahan Adedoyin. **Page 2 of this newsletter has details of how we intend to fill the final vacancy we have on the Governing Board for a Parent Governor. Any nomination must be received by Friday 5th February 2021. If we receive more than one nomination then we will hold an election.**

Parent Governor Election

Due to a recent resignation from the school's Governing Board, we currently have a **vacancy for a 'Parent Governor'**. We are contacting you all asking for nominations of people willing to take on this role.

All parents, carers and guardians of children at the school are eligible to stand as candidates, and can also vote in the election should more than one person put themselves forward.

Parents/Carers who are elected can continue as Governors for four years if they wish, even if their child leaves the school during that four-year period.

Being a 'Parent Governor' at Holbeach is a very rewarding role, but it does require dedication and commitment to do justice to the position.

Please be aware that, you can nominate yourself to stand or nominate another parent. If you want to nominate another parent please check with them first that they are willing to stand and ask them to sign the nomination form in the space provided. If more than two parents are nominated, an election will then be held.

To nominate yourself or another parent/carer you must complete the form below and return it to the school office by no later than **Friday 5th February 2021**.

NOMINATION FORM

I WOULD LIKE TO NOMINATE:

Name:

Address:

Address:

Telephone:

Email:

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO:

THE SCHOOL OFFICE
HOLBEACH PRIMARY SCHOOL
NELGARDE ROAD
CATFORD
SE6 4TP

admin@holbeach.lewisham.sch.uk

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MHST Education Wellbeing Service



BITESIZE psycho-educational workshops for parents

Wednesday 28th January

Time: 11-11:20am

Topic: How to improve sleep

Facilitators: Jess O'Kelly & Hannah Webb

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

[Learn More](#) | [Meeting options](#)

Monday 1st February

Time: 11-11:20am

Topic: Supporting your child's wellbeing

Facilitators: Natalie Monerville & Annelies Peeters

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

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Friday 19th February

Time: 11-11:20am

Topic: Looking after your wellbeing as a parent

Facilitator: ParentEngage

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*** No need to sign up for any of our workshops, just join on your computer or mobile by [clicking on the link](#) which takes you directly to the workshop. Please ensure your camera and microphone are muted before joining the call ***

MHST Wellbeing Support Line

Telephone support service where you will be able to speak to a practitioner for wellbeing advice, support and resources. (This is not for any urgent mental health concerns)

You email us:

lewishammhst@slam.nhs.uk

We call you back!

Come and join our Virtual Coffee Morning Online every Thursday (Primary) and Friday (Secondary) @ 10am to 11am

It is a safe space for you to:

Share and/or listen to experiences

Think about challenges during this time

Question and Answer

Thursday Primary school: [Click here to join the meeting](#)

Friday Secondary School: [Click here to join the meeting](#)



Get your child vaccinated against the FLU this season!



If your child missed the flu vaccination in school this is for you!

The School Health Immunisation Team will be delivering 2 catch up clinics at 2 locations. If your child is in **Reception to Year 7** and did not get the FLU vaccination in school; Contact the Immunisation Team on the details below to book an appointment.

Saturday 23rd January 2021

Mon 25th – Fri 29th January 2021

Downham Health Centre, BR1 5EP

Waldron Health Centre, SE14 6LD

9am-4.30pm

Call 02030491897

**Book your
appointment today!**



High quality care for every patient
every day

School Health Service Immunisation Team,
Downham, 7-9 Moorside Road, BROMLEY, BR5EP
call: 020 3049 1897
email: Lg.shsimmunisation@nhs.net