Tower Times



Reach for the Moon Week Commencing 24th September 2012

Dear Parents / Carers

Another busy week where the children have been enjoying their learning. I was in a classroom yesterday where there was a crime scene and someone had taken one of George's Marvellous Medicines by mistake and suffered terrible consequences!!! The children were writing the crime report - how exciting! Today we are welcoming a past pupil, Professor Val Gibson, who is currently at Cambridge University but working on the Hydron Collider project in Switzerland who have discovered the Higgs Boson particle! Again, how exciting!

On a different tack, hot meals continue to be very popular with staff and pupils. You may recall that our school benefits considerably from families who register for free school meals. Even if your child does not wish to have a hot meal, please register as the school gets hundreds of pounds for each child. They need to be registered by next Thursday so please see the office for details.

OLYMPIC SPORTS CAMP - Inspire+

After a summer of exceptional sporting action, all abilities are welcome to come along and experience a range of Olympic and Paralympic sports from their highly qualified staff, which includes a double gold medalist! What a fabulous opportunity and value for money, Inspire+ have organised an Olympic Sports Camp during the October half term break (Monday 29th, Tuesday 30th and Wednesday 31st October).

Venue: Belton Lane Primary School

Age: 7-12 years old

Time: From 8.30am until 5.30pm

Price: From £15 per day! (Payment would need to be made by 8th October for this rate). £12.50 per child for family booking of 2 or more children.

Posters are displayed around school or call into the School Office to obtain an application form.

KS1 CHILDREN WAITING TO COME INTO SCHOOL IN THE MORNINGS

Unfortunately, children have been seen jumping off the wall outside this entrance, which is both unacceptable and unsafe. Please ensure that your children wait quietly with you until the doors are opened at 8.50am.

MEET THE PASTORAL TEAM

This year we have a Pastoral Team in school and their role is to work closely with



all children. Mr Craig Turner is involved with family liaison. If there are any concerns about your child's education, the first port of call is the class teachers, but any other concerns Mr Turner is here to help. He will be holding a drop in session for any parents in the Community Room on Tuesday 9th October from 1.20 - 3-15pm.

HARVEST FESTIVAL - Fri 5th Oct, 9.10am

Just a reminder that our Harvest Festival will be on **Friday**, **5th October** and you are invited to attend. The children will lead the celebration and we look forward to hearing from our school choirs for the first time this year. The festival will take place at **9.10am** in the **school hall** so there will be no Celebration assembly that day.

Please send in your non-perishable foods as detailed in our previous letter. We would appreciate it if you could provide your child with a Food Bank donation, and bring them into school by **Thursday 4th October**.

GRAVITY FIELDS PROCESSION - YEAR 5 - FRIDAY 28^{TH} SEPTEMBER

As a finale to Gravity Fields week our Year 5 children will form part of a small procession which will begin at around 7.20pm where we will walk through the Market Place, along Westgate, up Guildhall Street and back along the High Street, returning to our starting point. This will take around 20 minutes. We will then be part of a much larger procession at around 8.20pm, which will process up the High Street to St. Peter's Hill. The event will then close at around 9.45pm.

ADMISSIONS SEPTEMBER 2013

Was one of your children born between 1st September 2008 and 31st August 2009? If so then they are eligible for admission to School in September 2013. New rules mean that the Local Education Authority now control admissions.

Parents can apply for a place from 19th November 2012 on line or request a paper application by telephoning 01522 782030. OUR OPEN AFTERNOON FOR NEW PARENTS -TUESDAY 23RD OCTOBER AT 1.45PM

HOT LUNCHES

The number of children having hot lunches is still increasing every week, so parents will be pleased to hear that ordering can now be done on line. You will need to register following the link below:

http://www.schoolmealsonline.co.uk/memberregistration

If you are unable to order on line, please continue to send in the order form with correct money to your child's class teacher, in a sealed envelope stating child's name, class and total money enclosed. The kitchen will not be accepting orders if not received in this way.

SCHOOL COUNCIL

Congratulations to this year's new school councillors who were officially presented with their school councillor badges today in Celebration Assembly! Our school council does a very important job with children representing each class and helping to develop our school. We had our first meeting this week, have started making plans and are looking forward to the busy year ahead! Here are this year's school councillors:

Leopards:	Lily Walton and Lewis Herbert		
<u>Giraffes:</u>	Jessica Miller and Liam Ivermee		
<u>Meerkats:</u>	Isabelle Woods and Cody Fenn		
<u>Tigers:</u>	Lola Storer and Thomas Watson		
Lemurs:	Amelia Jappy and Harry Maxwell		
<u>Panthers:</u>	Poppy Smith and Samuel Booton		
<u>Rhinos:</u>	Libby Sheehy and Matthew		
	Robinson		
<u>Gazelles:</u>	Bethany Richardson and Kodie		
	Lagden		
<u>Lions:</u>	Sheena Colton and Alfie McLardy		
<u>Zebras:</u>	Jakob Nowak and Maddy Garratt		

Diary Dates

Harvest Festival	Friday 5 th October	
Parents' Evenings	Wed 17 th October	
Parents' Evening	Thursday 18 th October	
Open Afternoon for Parents of Children starting school		
September 2013	Tuesday 23 rd October	
Break up for half term	Thursday 25 th October	
INSET for staff	Friday 26 th October	
Return to school	Monday 5 th November	
INSET for staff	Friday 23 rd November	

