

# **Tower Times**



*Reach for the Moon* Week Commencing 25<sup>th</sup> November 2013

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Dear Parents / Carers

#### PHILIPPINES TYPHOON - Toy and Book Sale

A huge and grateful thank you to our PTFA for organising this event, to our children, parents, teachers and local community for supporting us and raising £358.55 on the day and more since. Up to date total is just shy of £400. All the toys and books which remained have been taken to our local Red Cross shop, which will again raise money. A particular thank you to Evelyn for coming up with such a caring idea!

#### Old Mobile Phones

We have heard from an ex-supply teacher who used to work for us, asking if we can collect old mobile phones to raise funds for this disaster. If you have any old mobile phones, please bring them into the school office. Thank you for your continued support.

## EOS TEACHING SCHOOLS ALLIANCE - Parents of children in Years 4-5 - Lemurs, Gazelles, Rhinos, Lions and Panthers

Last week, you would have received an invitation to come along on Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> December at 3.30pm to find out about this potential opportunity for your child. There will also be an evening session at 7pm. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible. In the meantime, if you would like to read further about Eos please look on the website: <u>www.eoseducation.co.uk</u>



#### Toy and Book Sale



#### NSPCC - LETTER FROM SANTA

As our school is such a valued supporter, the NSPCC, are giving you the opportunity of sending your child or relative a beautifully designed and personalised 'Letter from Santa' which will be a wonderful keepsake for any child. Simply click on the link which will take you straight through to the 'Letter from Santa' website. For a suggested donation of £5 your child or relative could receive their own Letter from Santa and you could continue to support the work of the NSPCC supporting vulnerable and abused children.

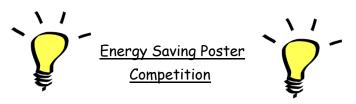
Order your Letter from Santa here

#### ADMISSIONS - SEPTEMBER 2014 Starting School?

Children born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2009 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2010 are due to start Reception in September 2014. You must apply for a school place before

12 noon, Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2014. Apply online at

<u>www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/schooladmissions</u> or pick up an application pack from the School Office (available now).



We had some amazing entries for our competition and found it very difficult to choose just one winner from each year group. However, after a lot of consideration we were able to choose 7 winners. Congratulations to: Rhys S (YR), Michael S (Y1), Liam I (Y2), Freddie S (Y3), Bobby D (Y4), Abigail P (Y5) and Sheena C (Y6). Prizes will be handed out in Monday's assembly. As there were so many fantastic posters, we decided to choose runners up too, and their posters will be displayed, along with the winning entries, around school.

Thank you for all of your hard work, and don't forget to turn off those lights! Your LCAs

#### ATTENDANCE

Attendance Award Cups were today presented as follows: KS1 - Class Giraffes 99.64% and KS2 - Class Rhinos 100% Overall attendance 95.78% Again, overall attendance percentage slightly down this week due to illness.



#### Mark

It was great to see you today and so humbling to see what the children have managed to achieve. I hope that they know that the money they raise will make a real difference.

I have copied Jean Goddard our Community Fund raiser, as I was asked to arrange for someone to accept the money that has been raised when it has all been counted. If it is ok with you Jean may well use this email address to get in touch.

Thank you and thanks to the children.

#### Jonathan

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### OUR PET SNAIL!

Dear Parents and Carers

We have had a really exciting week in the Gazelles. It started with a small mystery of nibbled display board. Mrs Evans thought one of us had ripped the board, but she was wrong! On Tuesday we realised our pet snail, Dec, was stretching out of his tank to eat the paper. Then on Thursday, when Mrs Evans entered the classroom, she saw Dec had escaped from his tank and was half way up the display board. When all of the children arrived in the classroom they saw Dec nibbling more of the display board.

So, we are now asking for your help. If you have an old fish tank, with a secure lid and no holes could you please donate it to us, as we are worried we will turn up one day and find our entire classroom has been devoured!

By Charlie, Ffion and Jack



#### Dates for your Diary: <u>Term 2</u>

PTFA Non-uniform - Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December PTFA Christmas/Winter Fayre - Friday 6<sup>th</sup> Dec KS1 Christmas Performance - Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December - dress rehearsal

KS1 Christmas Performance - Tues 10<sup>th</sup> Dec pm KS1 Christmas Performance - Wed 11<sup>th</sup> Dec eve KS2 Christmas Lunch and Party - Wed 18<sup>th</sup> Dec FS/KS1 Christmas Lunch and Party - Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> Dec Break up for holiday - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December

Question of the Week What year was the Christmas tree introduced to Britain?