



Year 6 Bridgetower, Naoroji & Cuffay Classes

Newsletter: 19th April 2021

Welcome back! The children are settling in and working very hard at the start of this term. We have all been thrilled by their positive attitudes and ability to adapt back to school life after such a challenging year. They are anticipating their move to secondary school and we have already had lots of discussions around their transition and any concerns they may have.

Coughs close classes

Please do not be tempted to send your child to school if they have a cough, high temperature or loss of taste / smell. If they bring covid into class you will be responsible for closing our class and putting all of our classmates into ten days of self-isolation. Be sure – book a test and let us know.

STEM

Our main topic this term will be electrical circuits. Children will investigate the effects of changing a different component in a circuit and observing the results. They learn about the appearance and function of different electrical components, including switches, bulbs, buzzers, motors, cells and wires. Their end product will be an alarm system which they will design and build. If you have any shoe boxes at home, please send them in.

Real Love Rocks Lessons

As part of PSHE this term the children will be following a program called Real Love Rocks which is a specialist program designed by Barnardos which helps children and young people to think and talk about relationships, what they are, and how to keep happy and stay safe in them. The program is specifically designed for children in Year 6 and discusses issues such as child exploitation and keeping safe on the internet. If you have any questions about this please come and speak to the class teacher.

Alongside Real Love Rocks, Year 6 will be learning about the laws surrounding equality in the UK and British Values, including liberty and tolerance. They will be watching a film called Free, specifically written for primary children, that conveys a powerful message about difference, diversity and respect. The film follows the stories of four children as they explore family, friendship and what it means to be yourself. The film addresses diversity and challenges the idea of homophobia. Again, if you have any questions about this please come and speak to the class teacher..

Homework

Children in Year 6 have spellings each week and still need to be reading at least three times a week at home. Homework is also being set in their CGP books weekly. There are links to websites to help with homework on the class website. Remember that in secondary school, the amount of homework increases so it is important that your child is "in good habits" with the tasks we set at primary school.

Sun safety

Just a reminder that as the weather hopefully gets warmer that children are advised to bring a hat and wear sun cream. A bottle of water is also essential in the summer months.

Miss Moore, Mr Pickering & Mr Longdon