



Friday 31st March 2017

Many of you who came to one of the Induction Evenings when we were opening the school, will have heard me speak about the importance of School Trips. Taking learning out of school is a big passion of mine. I believe that children should have memorable events from their days at primary School, and for children, the school trip is a big highlight! So far our children have visited Eureka, The Sealife Centre, the local park, the local library, a local Masjid, and a local church. Next term we are planning a trip to the farm for Reception children and a whole school trip to the seaside. It is not all about having fun. When children have these concrete, hands on, learning experiences, they produce written work that is so enriched by their experience, because they can describe with much more accuracy and detail by drawing on their personal experience. People coming in to school is also part of this. This term Reception Class have welcomed a wide range of "People Who Help Us" into school, and are now enthused about their future careers as Doctors, Dentists and Vets! Year 1 learnt about Healthy Eating by making healthy sandwiches thanks to local firm Warburtons. Please do support our Parent Shuraa Group however you can, as they aim to raise funds for school so that we can continue to take your children on many more exciting and memorable school trips in the future whilst keeping costs manageable for families!

Please help us to return your child's clothes to you by **naming ALL items of clothing** and especially coats, sweatshirts/cardigans! When warmer weather, these items of clothing are removed; without a name the owner is extremely difficult to trace! **Please check each day that your child has their own clothing.**

Sainsbury's Active Kids

Comic Relief

Our children (and staff) had great fun dressing up for Red Nose Day last Friday. We raised a total of £ 156.62 for Comic Relief- Thank You!

Class Assemblies

We held the first of our Class Assemblies today. Parents of children in Bint Mohammad enjoyed watching their children's talk about what they have been learning this term. The next assembly will be on **Friday 5th May** for Ibn Salamah.

The Parent Shurra "Ladies Pamper Night" is taking place in school tomorrow, Saturday 1st April, 3-8pm. Entry is £1 for adults, payable on the door, entry for children is free. If you could spare an hour to help us to set up, man food stalls or clear away we would be most grateful. We are also asking for donations of food from parents which will be sold. Proceeds from this event will be used to subsidise the cost of the summer trip, to make it more affordable for all families. We are most grateful for the efforts of Parent Shura for organising this event to raise money for the school. Please do come along and support their efforts.

Star of the Week Award

The following children have received Star of the Week Awards since the start of the term, well done!

Bint Muhammed: Aliyah Adam, Rehan Hafeji, Muhammed Yaseen Ali, Mohammed Bilal Ali, Michael Collinge, Tayyib Patel.

Ibn Zubayr: Ahmed Patel, Liaba Khan, Umaymah Patel, Maira Fahad, Zara Akhtar.

Ibn Salamah: Muhammad Umar Hatia, Muhammad Yusuf Patel, Ayaan Al-Islam, Istahil Mohamed, Junaid Mohammed Akhtar.

Bint Qays: Muhammad Deen Patel, Yahya Farooq, Alesha Sarwar, Hani Kanchori. Zara Kaduii.

ATTENDANCE UPDATE

I am sure that your children will have told you about our new attendance competition in school. There will be a special prize awarded to the class with the best attendance for the half term. This week's winners were, once again, Bint Muhammad-with 98% attendance: Well Done! Current standings for the half term are 4th Ibn Salamah- 7 STARS; 3rd Ibn Zubayr- 8 STARS- 2nd Bint Qays- 13 STARS; 1st Bint Muhammad- 14 STARS With 5 STARS awarded for 100% attendance there are still two possible winners in the competition.

Whole school attendance for the year to date is still below our 97% target, but it is improving- **please help us to improve even more!**