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Dear Parents and Carers,

Another half term has flown by and just look at what we have been up to ...

### Chinese New Year in Wren

Last week Wren Class enjoyed learning about Chinese New Year. They had the opportunity to make dragon puppets, decorate lanterns and taste Chinese food. The children also practised using chopsticks to pick up pieces of food. A big thank you to Mrs Talbot for providing lots of the resources, including red money purses filled with chocolate coins for every child, and for giving up her time to help on the day.



### The Young Voices Choir at the O2 by Molly Shepherd, year 6



Everyone knew they would enjoy the fantastic experience of performing at the O2 right from the start, when we caught our first glimpse of the arena. It was massive! The inside was just as amazing, with rows upon rows of seats in a grandstand all the way round the stage. But what amazed us most was the amount of children that were sitting on those seats. We had known that we were in the largest school choir in the world but nothing could have prepared us for the staggering number of 7810 people!

On the stage itself was a man in a white suit - our conductor David Lawrence. It was hard to believe that it was just one person conducting all of us! He went through the 4hr long rehearsal with everybody during which we practised all of our songs and met the other acts. We learnt some dance moves



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and songs to support the other acts. We also did a mannequin challenge for 30 seconds, which is quite a big thing when you have almost 8000 other children doing it with you!

The performance itself was spectacular! Once all the audience was in, the arena was packed, and you could feel the air buzzing with excitement. We had all been equipped with Young Voices t-shirts and torches and were told to switch these on before the show. It was time to start - the stage lights went out and it was pitch black apart from thousands of little torches shining out like tiny stars. Suddenly, the arena was alive with whooping and cheering. Then the live band struck up and we launched into the first of our songs.

In between our songs the accompanying acts performed, among which included: *The Beatbox Collective* - a group of 3 astounding beat boxers and *Urban Strides* - a cool street dancing group.

We all had a marvellous time and I would like to thank, on behalf of everyone, Mr. Underhill, Mrs. Archdale and everybody else who helped to make this unforgettable experience a huge success.

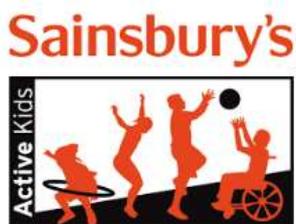
### **Sportshall Athletics by Freya Kemp and Anna Wayne year 5.**

On Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> January, we attended an athletics competition. We arrived around 9.30 – 9.45a.m and we arrived back to school at around 1.15p.m. There were ten events, including triple jump, vertical jump, standing jump and much more. There were around seven schools competing. We got at least two goes on every obstacle and there were four rests between the girls and the boys. The last challenge was the baton relay which we would say was the toughest.

The person who gave us instructions at Wymondham High said that we would find out who got in to the next round the next day. Sadly Robert Kett won but we came a close second and we were happy with that.



### **ACTIVE KIDS at Sainsbury**



It's that time of year again when Sainsbury start to give you one voucher for every £5 or £10 you spend depending on the store. You also get them when you shop on line. Please do collect them for us and put them in the box in the office. It really helps us to 'top up' our sports and cooking equipment.

### **FOREST SCHOOLS**

We are looking for some parent helpers to work alongside our Forest School team. Forest School learning is timetabled on a Wednesday. If you are interested please let Miss Brooks know.

## **Tag Rugby**

On Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February some of our year 5s and 6s represented the Cluster at the County Finals. Unfortunately they were not the overall winners but they have to be commended on their attitude, team work and determination. Their resilience to the weather was also impressive! Well done. A huge thank you to Arthur Pattison for all the extra hours he has dedicated to coaching this squad and to Emma Smith for helping to organise the event.

## **100 club winners**

1st Lisa Howlett £15  
2nd Julia Woodeson £10  
3rd Anne Fogg £5

## **Coming up**

### **Valentines biscuit sale.**

Love is in the air....well it will be on Thursday 9th February as the children will get a chance to enjoy a Valentines biscuit and cake sale.

As always I am so grateful for all those amazing bakers who contribute such wonderful creations for the children to buy for 30-50p at break and after school. So, if you are able and would like to help make this another great success, then please could you bring your creations to the staff room the morning of the sale in a named container. Please don't worry if you don't have time to bake, or like me can't bake, because shop brought biscuits are more than welcome too!

Any questions then please do contact me, Jenny Martin [jvivers@hotmail.com](mailto:jvivers@hotmail.com). Thank you very much in advance.

## **Some dates from the Friends ...**

QUIZ AND CHIPS - Yes, it's that time of the year again! The ever popular quiz and chips is back!

Theme: SECRETS AND SPIES

When: Friday 24th February 2017

Where: School hall

Why: it's the most popular event of the year with fierce competition, a licenced bar, fish and chips and lots of fun and laughter.

Door and bar opens at 7pm giving you time to "dress your table"

[Quiz starts at 8pm](#)

Maximum teams of 10 people.

Prizes for best dressed table and quiz winners.

[More information and ticket booking forms will be distributed in book bags on Friday 27th January 2017.](#)

## Dates for your diary

30.3.17	Easter biscuits sale
13.2.17	Half term
27.3.17	Hilltop year 6
31.3.17	Break up for Easter
18.4.17	Summer term starts
12.6.17	May Madness family event
14.7.17	Sports Day and Summer BBQ

**Fun In School Holidays**  
A new project for primary aged children – offering activities, friendship and a hot lunch during school holidays  
Provided by Hub Community Project  
Ayton Road  
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Starting February 2017

And finally,

This newsletter is always posted on our website and is emailed to you via email through our school management system. If you are not receiving it here are a couple of tips ...

- Ensure that your email system is set up to receive n reply mail. This can be done by adding the following address to your contacts – [noreply@pupilasset.com](mailto:noreply@pupilasset.com)
- Check your spam / trash box.

Kind regards,

Miss Brooks