



## St Michael at Bowes CE Junior School Newsletter

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School vision: 'Helping each other to live successful lives in the world of tomorrow'



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Newsletter Date:  
Friday 15th  
January 2016

Dates for your diary:

- Year 5 start swimming—every Friday starting 22.01.15 for 4 weeks
- Children singing at the London O2 arena—Tuesday 26th January
- 5L class assembly—Friday 29th January 9.05 a.m.
- CREATIVE MATHS WEEK— 1st-5th February (more information to follow)
- 4C class assembly—Friday 5th February
- 5E class assembly—Friday 12th February
- END OF TERM—Friday 13th February. Children back on Monday 23rd February 8.45 a.m.

### WE HAVE RABBITS!

As I'm sure your child will have told you, we now have two rabbits at St Michael at Bowes. We have appointed a team of children to take care of them but all children will have the opportunity in the coming months to meet and stroke them. They have not yet been named but are currently making themselves at home in the staff room.



### LEE VALLEY SPORTS' CENTRE

Yesterday Year 6 went to Lee Valley Sports' Centre. Here is an account of their visit:

Yesterday Year Six went on a trip to Lee Valley Sports Centre, because it linked with our science topic (Fit for Life). We took part in some challenging sporting activities such as: running, long jump, javelin, an obstacle course and a relay race. We had to use skills such as team work in the relay races in order to win. It was inspiring and energising to be able to experience what it would be like to train as an athlete. It was so much fun!

By Luke and Laila  
6B



### HEADLICE



They are back! Please check your child's hair regularly and treat any infestations, otherwise the problem will reoccur. Please be considerate to others.

### PUNCTUALITY AND ATTENDANCE

**6B** have managed to win the punctuality trophy with 1 late and **4H** won the attendance trophy with 97.9%. Well done! **5L** won the Reading Balloon Race with 96%.



## PALM HOUSE

Last week Year 4 visited Palm House to kick off their Saving the Rainforests topic. Below is Kornelia Chodak's account of the trip.

### Trip to the Palm House (a replica Rainforest)



Anxious and excited, I walked into the Palm House. A lady told us about the four layers and what they were called. Nervously, I walked into the desert area being careful to not trip over or bump into the person in front of me or to bump into a cactus.

Thinking, I wondered where we would go next. The lady told us to go into groups and draw pictures of Rainforest animals and leaves. Then, we went to the model Rainforest. We needed to find the following: scorpions, butterflies, parrots, spiders, snakes and toucans. Also, the rain fell on us.



Excited, we went deeper into the Palm House (replica Rainforest). We touched and saw: snakes, spiders (tarantulas), frogs and cockroaches. They were all friendly and we also saw lizards. Logan won a quiz about the four layers. He won a bookmark made of snakeskin. It was a really fun way to begin our topic on Saving the Rainforest.



## CUFFLEY CAMP

On Tuesday Year 3 visited Cuffley Camp to explore how life might have been for people living in the Stone Age. Please read Melissa's account of their trip.

On Tuesday year 3 went on an exciting trip to Cuffley Camp. Our first activity was tracking through the forest, making arrow symbols on the ground using wood. We then had to hide from a second team, just like cave men hiding from predators. The secret is to keep very quiet and still.



Next we made a shelter, it was important to make sure that the shelter was strong and waterproof. My favourite part of the trip was making our own fire, we used some natural materials from the forest.



By Melissa Machado-Ait-Amara (3M)



## PE UNIFORM

Please make sure your child has the correct clothing and footwear for PE/games. It is important they change out of their school uniform. The weather has changed and is getting much colder. Please make sure your child has appropriate clothing for outdoor play and PE.

