



Armed Forces Week

We have made the most of opportunities open to us during Armed Forces Week. On Monday Class 5 visited the Heritage Museum in the Dockyard, on Tuesday year 6 had the wonderful experience of going on board the submarine HMS Courageous, today our HMS Heroes and friends are visiting the Citadel and tomorrow year 6 will be at the Life Skills event at Bull Point. The Hoe is the place to be this weekend to enjoy all of the activities and demonstrations.

Sports Day

Our Sports Day is on Friday of next week (30th June). There is a competitive element to our Sports Day with the children all competing for points for their house. There are individual sprint races, novelty races and team events. Parents and toddlers also get their chance to shine on the track. Children come into school in sports kit on the day. If they have one, they wear a t-shirt in the colour of their house ie St Peter's blue, St Teresa's green, St Bernadette's yellow and St Paul's red. If you do not have the right colour t-shirt you could possibly borrow from somebody or just wear the white PE shirt and we can provide bibs to help identify which team children are running for. It is usually the best attended event of the year. We only just managed to squeeze everything in by 3.30 last year so this year we will aim to start at the earlier time of 12.45.

Brickfields

Nineteen athletes represented the school at Brickfields Athletics Championships last week and for the first time all nineteen qualified from their heats to take part in the finals. Liam (yr 3) won his final, Xavi (yr 6) won the 200m and the vortex throw finals and both of our yr 3 & 4 relay teams won their finals. Along with those 11 medals we took home the trophies for the boys track events, the boys field events (for the 6th year in succession) and the overall track & field trophy (2nd year running). We have now established a reputation for being one of the top athletic schools in the city.

Silence

Sadly we held another minute's silence this week for the Grenfell Tower victims as well as the Finsbury Park Mosque attack victims and those who perished in the fires in Portugal.

Ties

We will extend the 'too hot for ties' rule for the rest of this week. Please provide drinks bottles, suncream and hats on sunny days.

Summer Fair

The Summer Fair is this Friday. It will begin at 3.30pm. Children will be able to come to school in their own clothes for the day so that they can enjoy the fun straight after school. We are particularly short of donations for the tombola stall where prizes are generally food and drink items. If children could bring in an extra donation (cakes will be needed on the day too) in return for wearing their own clothes that would be great (but not compulsory).

Punctuality

'Pupils are punctual and prepared for lessons' this is a descriptor from the Ofsted Framework describing good schools. We were judged to be good in October but would struggle to meet this descriptor now due to the amount of families who bring their children to school after the second bell has gone at 8.55. The Educational Welfare Officer remarked on the high number of late marks we have in our registers at our last meeting. Please make sure your child is in school on time.

Children's University

We were very grateful for the volunteers from Plymouth Children's University who made last week's chemistry and robotics workshops possible. They also provided the Devil's Point rock pooling and beach art sessions. Any child can collect a Children's University passport and gain stamps for the clubs and events that they go to. They are free and available from Ms Taylor in the office.