Hello everyone,

We have had lots of visitors and tradespeople in school this week. Our renovation of Sunflower room is almost finished, thanks to masses of help from Cat, who also created the inspired design for this space. We have been grateful for funding from Wates Giving and the John James Foundation, without which we could not have proceeded. There will be a grand opening - we will keep you posted about plans after the finishing touches are completed.

Today we also met with Keir Construction who are helping to renovate our 'More 4 Kids' room. They have plans to create a brighter and more appealing space for our after-school children, as well as for lunch club and other groups. We hope this work will begin over the summer.

A third piece of building work is planned as well. We have received funding to create an extension to our community room, providing crèche space, toilets, improved kitchen facilities and a separate entrance. This space will be available after school and at weekends for the community to use. We would love to hear views on this! If you would like to see some draft plans, please contact school and we will email you details.

Amongst all this development work there has of course been a week of exciting learning. I was particularly delighted to hear Reception children talking with such enthusiasm about their trip to the farm yesterday. Please read all the other class news!

Finally we were delighted to hear that our nearest secondary school, City Academy, received a very positive Ofsted report. The school was judged to be 'Good' in every area.

Best wishes,

Sue Ramsay, Headteacher.



MONDAY 6 MAY - Bank Holiday THURSDAY 23 MAY - European elections



Reception: Abdelrouf and Mahamed

Year 1: Salma and Ibraheem

Year 2: Nasima and Khadija A

Year 3: Nur and Layla

Year 4: Asad and Tia

Year 5: Mohab and Mohamed

Year 6: Ilyas M and Izaiah



A letter is coming home today with full information for parents about the sports days.

Children will be expected to wear their house t-shirt colour.









Key Stage 1

Tuesday 22 May at 9:30

Key Stage 2

Tuesday 22 May at 1:45 (at School) Wednesday 23 May at 10am (at Whitehall Athletics Arena)

Parents are welcome to come along to show your support!







Some clubs have long waiting lists, so if your child misses a session without good reason, their place may be offered to another child.

You <u>MUST</u> let the office know if your child is unable to attend a session.



Next PTA Meeting will be held on Wednesday 8th May from 2-3pm.

Come along, Get involved, Support your School, Share ideas, Raise Money!

Menu Changes Next Week!

Tues 7th May

- Organic beef burgers with Jacket wedges (Halal option available)
- Vegetable Lasagne (V)

Thurs 9th May

- Chicken and Sweetcorn Pizza with Jacket Wedges (Halal option available)
- Cheesy bubble & squeak (V)

EXCHANGE FOR CHANGE

An event for residents of Lawrence Hill and Easton wards,

Come and learn more about your neighbours, ask questions and get to know people from your community.

Limited crèche places available and a free lunch to round off the event!

Book your place now and call Sarah on on on on one off the place on a first come, first served basis.

BARTON HILL SETTLEMENT
WED, 12 JUNE 9:30AM-12:30PM



What have we been learning?

Reception.... This week we continued to learn the story of 'The Little Red Hen' and practised using bead strings to add numbers together in maths. We had a fantastic trip to the farm which we all enjoyed. We were all very proud of how sensible the children were. Thanks to all the adults who came along to help out. At home, ask your child to tell you all about what they saw at the farm. Practise adding e.g. 4 apples, 6 oranges – how many altogether?

Year 2... we began to explore 'The Tin Forest' this week. creating a list poem to describe the old man's dream and writing a character description of him. As mathematicians we explored word problems. At home, please read with your child every day and practise times tables!

Year 4... The scientists in year 4 have been designing and conducting exciting experiments this week. We answered the question 'Which materials are insulators?' and we can tell you lots of fascinating facts about our research! At home, practise your homework spelling list for your test next week.

Year 1... this week we learnt how to find half and quarter of a shape/number. We also wrote letters and identified the different features of a letter. We also enjoyed making posters and learning about different plants and trees. At home, please look at the local area and think about ways in which we can look after and protect our trees.

Year 3... It's been a busy week in Year 3. As authors we've explored more of our adventure text, as mathematicians we have started our new topic of measurement and as musicians we have begun learning the songs ready for our performance at the end of the term. At home, encourage your child to practise their times tables and read as often as possible.

Year 5... In English, we wrote our own descriptive poems based on a carnival animal, using different types of figurative language. In maths, we revised our knowledge of finding the perimeter and area of different shapes. In Enquiry, we started learning about what the word 'carnival' means and what carnival looks like in different countries. At home, can you watch some carnival videos online and discuss the different costumes and colours used?

Year 6... As mathematicians, we improved our reasoning skills this week, particularly around times -tables and calculating area. As authors, we wrote a report about graffiti and are now preparing to write a balanced argument. The children have worked really hard to continue to prepare for their SATs. At home, please continue to motivate and encourage your child. Thank you for your support – they have worked very hard!