RECEPTION—Chinese New Year Celebrations
Reception are also doing Chinese New Year this term. Today we had a Chinese dance workshop, we learnt some dance moves and some Kung Fu (Panda) moves.

Mrs Mills

School Shoes
Please could you ensure that you name school shoes clearly as many children have the same size and shoe. Thank you

DATES
Please find on a separate sheet a copy of our Spring Term (2014) programme of events. Please retain these dates for your own reference.

Yrs 1 – 6

FOOTBALL
Mr Hickey

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After School Clubs Spring 2014

Day
Year group
Time
Run by / Dismissed by

Mon
Yr 1/2
Outdoor Learning
3.30 – 4.30 pm
Mrs Desogus / Miss White/ Miss Begum

Yr 3/4
Basketball
3.30 – 4.30 pm
Steps2Sport Coach / Miss Towlinson

Yr 3 – 6
Recorder
3.30 – 4.30 pm
Mrs Moore/ Miss Wall/ Mrs McNickle-Edwards

Yr 3 – 4
Guitar
3.30 – 4.30 pm
Mr White/ Miss Wall

Tue
Yr 5 / 6
Football Club
3.30 – 4.30 pm
Miss Allen / Mr Hickey

Yr 3 – 5
Friendship Club
3.30 – 4.30 pm
Birmingham City Mission/ Mrs Bestwick

Wed
Yr 2–6
Choir
12.40—1.10 p.m.
Mr Collard

Yr 1/2
Dance
3.30 – 4.30 pm
Dance Coach /Mrs Jones / Mrs Mills

Yr 5/6
Netball
3.30-4.30 pm
Miss Peers / Miss Arrowsmith

Thurs
Yr3/4
Chess
1.00-1.30 pm
Mr Cripps

Yr5/6
Rugby
3.30-4.30 pm
Rugby Coach / Mr Nightingale

Yr 6
Malachi Trust
3.30-4.30 pm
Malachi Team / Miss Wall

Fri
Yr 5 – 6
Football Team
1.10 – 1.40 pm
Mr Hickey

Yr 3 – 6
Recorder
3.30 – 4.30 pm
Mrs Moore/ Mrs Boulton

“Why did I like playing this game in Victorian times? I liked riding on the old horse, it moved slowly.” Finley 1F

Singing Playgrounds
Singing Playgrounds is going from strength to strength at our school. We now have a group of experienced song leaders from years 4, 5 and 6 who are acting as mentors to our new Year 3 song leaders. On a Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday break time this dedicated group of children meet in the Community Den to enjoy lots of different singing games with any children who wish to join them. Well done to all of our Year 4, 5 and 6 song leaders who achieved a 100% attendance certificate for Singing Playgrounds for the Autumn Term.

Mr Collard—Music Subject Leader

Year 6 – Space
Year 6 had a fantastic time exploring Space! This will be followed up with their trip to the Space Centre today.

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Year 2 – Space
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“Why did I like playing this game in Victorian times? ‘It was really fun to play with the clay.’ Paige 1F

Entry Day—January 2014
This term entry days were over a number of days this week and we thank you for your support in making and organising costumes for the children. Lots of new exciting learning has taken place with many Egyptians, Romans and Pirates walking the corridors! This newsletter gives you a flavour of what happened in school this week. Enjoy!

L. Buffery

Dear Parents,
A warm welcome back to what we hope will continue to be an enjoyable and successful year. We will continue to strive hard in 2014 to provide the quality of education that we aim to deliver and that you have come to expect. We cannot over-emphasise the importance of the partnership between home and school which, when on an excellent footing, enables your child(ren) to fulfil their potential. Please support us in all of our requests which will enable us to maintain our momentum in the future. On behalf of all staff we would like to wish you a belated Happy New Year.

H. Setchell

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Year 5—Victorians
On Friday 10th January, Year 5 took part in a brilliant History workshop for our Victorian Entry Day. Firstly, we found out about the introduction of the railways and the impact this had on the lives of rich and poor Victorians. This included a debate between the 2 classes, with 5B ‘for’ railways and 5N ‘against’! After that, we found out about all of the toys that were available for children in Victorian times and we got to play with them all! In the afternoon, we found out about what it was like to work in the coal mines and we had a Victorian school lesson, which was very strict!

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**YEAR 2**

had a block to build for the pyramid and when we put them all together, we created our own mini Egyptian pyramid.

Did you know that the Egyptians didn’t use cement to make pyramids?

If you think school is an old work prison, you are wrong!

**Year 3**

the soldiers.” Megan 2J

Florence helped care for

“I enjoyed exploring how Florence helped care for the soldiers.” Megan 2J

“Get me out of here!” and ‘Celebrity Big Brother House’ - Greek Gods.

“Entry day always gives you lots of information about your new Topic!” Ebube 4W

**YEAR 4—Groovy Greeks**

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By Daniel RPF

**RECEPTION**

Our new topic is Special People with a particular focus on Florence Nightingale and Mary Seacole. On Thursday we travelled back in time to meet Florence and find out about her life.

“The workshop was great because we found out facts all about Florence Nightingale’s life.” Daniel 2J

“The workshop was fabulous because we were moving and acting was well as listening.” Saron—2M

“The best bit was when we had to pretend to lie in the dirty hospital with rats and mice. It helped me to remember it!” Paige 2M

“Lanterns made by 2J

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