

# St Ann's Flyer

Summer Term 2016 Issue 6

## DIARY DATES

**Mon 20th—Wed 22nd**

**June**

Yr6 Residential trip to  
Kingswood

**Tuesday 21st June**

Yr3 Art Project

**Thursday 23rd June**

Photo Exhibition (classes &  
parents)

**Friday 24th June**

Yr5 Dovedale Residential

**Tuesday 28th June**

Yrs4&6 Bushcraft Day

**Wednesday 29th June**

Epic Sports Transition Day  
at Nottingham Academy

Yr4 Creative Celebration

**Thursday 30th June**

LEAD Concert—Yr3

**Friday 1st July**

School Concert for parents

**Tuesday 5th July**

Yr3 Choir—Big Sing

**Thursday 7th July**

Yr6 London trip to Natural

History Museum

**Thursday 7th July**

Reports out to parents

**Friday 8th July**

Yrs3&5 Bushcraft Day

**Tuesday 12th July**

Transition morning and  
meet new teacher after  
school

**Wednesday 13th July**

Parents Open Evening

**Thursday 14th July**

Yrs1&2 Bushcraft Day

**Monday 18th July**

KS2 Athletics Day  
Summer Fair 2016

The children in Foundation One have been taking part in the "Brushing Buddies" project which means that the children clean their teeth every morning at school. On Monday 13th June, the children were lucky enough to be visited by the 'Tooth Fairy'. She was very impressed with how well they clean their teeth. She shared a story with them about visiting the dentist. They were delighted with the visit and really enjoyed getting a special sticker from the "Tooth Fairy"



"On Monday 13th June Year 2 went on a trip to the Sea Life Centre in Birmingham. We had a great day finding out all about creatures that live in the ocean. Our favourite part was walking through the tunnel and seeing the sharks and rays

swimming over our heads! We also enjoyed watching the penguins building their nests and swimming through the water. We had a great day!"

In May Year 1 visited the Community Orchard. We learnt about plants and their different parts. The children particularly enjoyed making a plant wristband and eating nettle soup!



On Thursday 26th May, Class 2 spent an exciting morning at the Community Orchard. We investigated different habitats, and found lots of different creatures! Some children created their own minibeasts from clay, and others were fascinated by the dragonfly larvae from the pond. We ended our session with some popcorn around the campfire. The children are now continuing their learning about different habitats in the classroom...and are even looking after some tadpoles!



As the summer approaches, our musical activities continue. Some of our children will take part in a large gathering of voices called "The Big Sing", at the Albert Hall. We continue to sing, play djembes and stringed instruments within our weekly music programme of learning and plan to perform to you at the end of the summer term.



On Thursday 16th June 2016, the children in class 3 went on a trip to the West Midlands Safari Park. They found some large footprints on the ground, so they followed them and they led them to the entrance of the Land of the Living Dinosaurs. When they went inside, they discovered a variety of life size, prehistoric, animated models of animals. Immediately, the children were transported back in time as they watched the story of the dinosaurs unfold before their eyes! They were mesmerized when they came face-to-face with some of the tallest, fastest and most gorgeous animals during the drive-through E.g.. we saw giraffes, cheetahs, rhinos, zebras, buffalo, ostrich, tigers, lions and elephants to name a few...

**DIARY DATES Con-  
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**Thursday 21st July**

Summer Fair 2016

**After School Clubs**

**Monday**

Stay & Play Yrs 1-2

**Tuesday**

Art & Craft Yrs 1-6

Zumba Yrs 1-6

Sports Yrs 1-2

**Wednesday**

Lunchtime club

Nottingham Forest

Years 3,4,5&6

Keyboard Club Yr 5

Area Band

**Thursday**

Kung Fu Years 3-6

Outdoor Pursuits Yrs 3-6

**Friday**

Art & Craft Years 1-6

Breakdance Years 2-6

**PARENTS CLASSES**

Shape Up Thursday mornings

Family Learning—Maths  
Thursday afternoons

Parents Group Friday  
mornings

Emergency First Aid Tues-  
day/Wednesday mornings

SKN Heritage Museum came into school to talk to the children and tell a story commemorating and celebrating the Caribbean contribution to life in Nottingham and the UK. Their exhibitions and events celebrate the lives and experiences of ordinary people.



One of the ladies told her story of travelling from St Kitts in the Caribbean to England by boat which took over six weeks. She described the experience from her point of view as a child. The children learnt how it felt to travel to a country far away from your home with different traditions. The children learnt about the toys she played with in St Kitts and had the opportunity to play with them.

The children asked lots of questions and enjoyed hearing her story.

**Summer Term Ambassadors**

- Class 1: Ruby Yousaf; Abdulfaruq Kokumo
- Class 2: Quarnell Watson; Lara Henry
- Class 3: Bria Rimell; Finley Shepherd
- Class 4: Nyla Farmer; Ali Rahoti
- Class 5: Shaun Gichuhi; Adriana Blair
- Class 6: Shai Hodelin; Ethan Langford

**Behaviour**

At St Ann's we believe that outstanding behaviour is extremely important for the safety of all pupils as well as to ensure all pupils make the very best progress they can in every lesson.



Year 6 children have begun their annual Drugs Abuse Resistance Education (DARE) programme which helps them to acquire a wide array of important personal and social skills including:

- understanding the need to take personal responsibility for ourselves and others
- effective communication and listening
- coping by dealing with pressure and stressful situations
- decision making
- resistance skills
- the identification of risks and consequences, particularly in relation to substance abuse

The course has ten sessions delivered by Mr O'Sullivan, an ex-police officer, and Year 6 teachers and is followed by their DARE graduation on July 20<sup>th</sup> between 9 and 10am which parents are invited to attend.

**Social Media**

It has come to our attention that a number of the older children in school are using social media sites (Facebook, Snapchat, OoVoo etc) to contact each other outside of school. The recommended ages to use these sites is 13 years old but if you decide to allow your children access to them please ensure they are using them responsibly, politely and safely. There have recently been a number of occasions where an argument or disagreement has been brought into school and it has affected the children's learning and friendships. Many thanks for your support and vigilance to ensure the children



School Catering  
Company Relish.  
Spring/Summer menus  
can be viewed on the  
noticeboards in the play-  
grounds, in the school  
entrance and on the



school's website.

**School Calendar  
2016/17**

*A copy of the School  
Calendar for the next  
academic year is at-  
tached clearly show-  
ing the INSET  
(teacher training)  
days marked in green.*