

Autumn 1st Half Term –

October 2018

BSL Celebration Day



We watched a performance in BSL by Handprints Theatre called "Red and Yellow – a tale of 2 houses." The story was about two neighbours who clashed because of their preferred colours. The show was about learning acceptance and tolerance. In the afternoon, we all draw things to represent BSL and ourselves on a white cloth square. Each patch of material has been joined together to create a beautiful patchwork piece of art. To finish the day, we had some delicious chocolate cakes baked by Becky and Bhavna.

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PE & Sports Development

All the children had non-contact boxing this half term and learnt arm/hand control and movement skills. Next term we have dance lessons in preparation for our annual Christmas show.



Remark! Playscheme

The Remark! Deaf community playscheme have an exciting programme for the October half term holiday. The Playscheme runs from 10am - 4pm, Tuesday to Friday, 23rd-26th October at **Ambler Primary School**, North London. Contact Steven Wynne on steven.wynne@remark.uk.com for more information. We have sent out flyers, information and registration forms home to you. Please do sign up and take your child to this excellent Deaf playscheme.



Staffing

Our school SENCO resigned just before the summer, and Dani is covering this role at the moment. We will be advertising again for a new SENCO and classteacher/phase leader. Charlotte Morten announced that she has been diagnosed with bowel cancer. She has shared her news with the staff and children and explained that she will have treatment. We are looking after her and we wish her a speedy recovery.



House Captains

We have announced our House Captains for this term – congratulations to Jayden, Mihaela and Zaara! They are proud and excited to be leaders for their Reward Houses! They'll be counting their house tokens each week and announce the winning house. Let's see who wins this term!



Class trips

The classes have all been very busy this half term. The EYFS have been fruit picking, to the Transport Museum and o Beckenscott Model Village to learn more about transport and houses. Beauty and the Beast class have been involved in the Skip Garden project growing plants with Kings Cross Academy. They've also been climbing to polish their climbing skills. Puss in Boots class visited the Imperial War Museum, National Army Museum, RAF museum and the Merchant Army Memorial for their World War 1 topic!



National TA Day

We held a special joint assembly for all the teaching assistants in FBS and KCA on Friday 14th September to recognise their invaluable role in supporting both teachers and children. Thank you to all the TAs who work so hard - we appreciate all your support!



International Sign Language Day

We celebrated the WFD's International Sign Language Day during the week after the official date of Sunday 23rd September. The children learnt the signs for different countries, and our chair of governors, Robert Adam, joined our assembly to share how "good morning" is signed in different sign languages around the world.

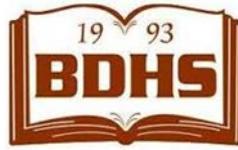


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British Deaf History Society

Puss in Boots class has been invited to show off their acting skills and do a performance on the 100th anniversary of the Suffragette Movement. They will perform and enjoy a meal at the Holiday Inn, Regent's Park, during half term. Thanks to Mischa for co-ordinating this and for putting Frank Barnes in the limelight!



Christmas show

The staff and pupils voted for our Christmas Performance this year to be 'Mary Poppins.' We look forward to seeing you all at our Christmas performance on **Wednesday 12th December** at **1pm**. Don't forget to keep the date free! The children will start rehearsing after half term and are all very excited!



House of illustration

There will be an exciting Family illustration workshop on **Saturday 3rd November** led by deaf artist, Christopher Sacre in BSL and spoken English at the House of Illustrations very close to school. They would love to have more deaf children involved, so do book yourself a place.



Contact information

If you have updated your contact details, e.g. new address, phone or mobile number, please can you inform the office as soon as possible, so that we have accurate records. This is essential for safeguarding to make sure we can contact you in case of an emergency.

Football kit

We have ordered some fantastic new Frank Barnes School football kits for the children which they are very excited to wear for football tournaments or sports events.

All the children were asked to come up with a design for the new kits. It was a tough choice for the staff, but we were very happy to announce that Jayden in Year 6 came up with the winning design! Congratulations Jayden!



Term Dates

School finishes on Thursday 18th October at 3.30pm for half term. School opens again on Monday 29th October. The Autumn term finishes on Thursday, 20th December at 2.30pm.



Have a good half term!



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