

King David News



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Such performers!



Last week we were educated as well as entertained by our Y4 class, as they taught us everything there is to know about water - plus songs and dances. There are three more class assemblies coming up, with Y1's tomorrow (Friday 11th), Reception on Friday 18th and Nursery on Wednesday 23rd. Y5 will also be performing their special Echo Eternal production to their parents, some of our children and visitors from other schools, at a special performance at Singers Hill Synagogue on 22nd May.

The end-of-year concert is also eagerly awaited, led by Y6, supported by a choir from Y3 to Y5, and including individual class songs from each class from Y1 upwards. This year the story of Jonah will be told, in "Jonah - a fishy tail". Please note the change of dates from those previously shared in newsletter #25.

CHANGE OF DATES

Concert will be:

Wednesday 27th June, 2pm

Thursday 28th June, 7pm

King David PTA SUMMER FAIR 2018 APPEAL

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The PTA Summer Fair organising group are kindly requesting donations of prizes for the Summer Fair Raffle. Please get in touch via email if:

- you would like to donate a suitable raffle prize
- you have corporate/business contacts to help us source prizes (e.g. tickets to local family attractions are very popular!)
- or if you own a small business and would like to donate a prize

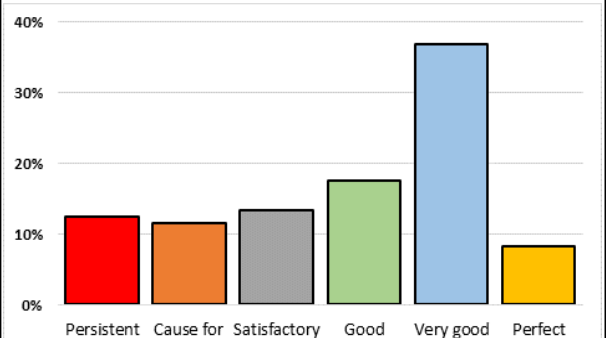
Email: thekingdavidpta@gmail.com

Thank you in advance.

N.B. Please do not send in donations for the tombola or the bottle stall to school yet, as there isn't space for these currently to be stored. A message will go out in June shortly before the fair to request contributions for the bottle tombola and new or nearly new items for the toy tombola, so please keep this in mind if you're having a clear out! Thank you for your support.

What is "Good" attendance?

We've been so impressed with attendance recently, with an average across the school in the last two weeks of 96.2%. Hidden behind the averages, there is a range of attendance rates, with 19 children on 100% for the year so far, while in total 105 children have excellent attendance of over 97%. 41 children have Good attendance of between 95% and 97%, although this is still only about the national average. Persistent absentees are those reported to the Local Authority, with attendance of less than 90%.



Attendance bands so far this year



Each day, bread, water and fresh fruit are available. There is also a daily sandwich option. This is the menu for next week:

Monday

Tuna pasta bake or chickpea and sweet potato with rice;
Shortbread cookie with fruit slices

Tuesday

Homemade chicken goujons or vegetable samosa with fluffy rice;
Fruity jelly chill

Wednesday

Roast turkey, roast potatoes, stuffing and gravy, or Quorn and vegetable pie;
Sultana flapjack

Thursday

All day breakfast: Veggie sausage, tomato, baked beans, egg wedge, mushrooms and toast;
Jaffa sponge cake and custard

Friday

Breaded fish fillet with lemon and chipped potatoes, or tomato & roasted vegetable pinwheel;
Chocolate Krispy cake

*This menu is dependant on availability of ingredients and is subject to change.
All cream and custard is non-dairy.*

Nursery applications welcome

Do you have a child born between 1st September 2014 and 31st August 2015? Or have friends who do? Those children are eligible to start our Nursery this September. Pick up an application form from the school office. We also have advertising fliers - perfect to hand on to families you know.



We still have free places available for this September

A testing period

Across the school, children will be sitting tests or assessments over the next few weeks. Y6 are sitting their SATs tests from Monday to Thursday next week, while Y2 are spreading theirs over the next two weeks. Other classes will be doing end-of-year assessments through June, including Y1's phonics tests.

We want all the children to do their best, to show the results of all of their hard work (and the hard work of their teachers and parents!), so let's make sure children are well rested, eat healthily, and are punctual, throughout this period.

Shabbat Shalom



Shabbat begins each Friday evening. During the summer months, local synagogues in Birmingham welcome in Shabbat at 8pm, even though the sun really sets later than that. Shabbat will end at 9:57pm on Saturday evening. In Synagogue this Shabbat, the portion of the Torah being read is "Parshat Behar Behukotai", giving us our Theme of the Week "Being positive."

Coming up...

Friday 11th May, 9am: Y1 class assembly
Friday 11th May, 1:30pm:
Shabbat Kiddush, led by Reception
Monday 14th to Thursday 17th May:
Y6 sitting KS2 SATs
Friday 18th May, 9am: Reception class assembly
Monday 21st May: School closed for Shavuot



Friday night Kiddush

Every Friday afternoon the whole school comes together for a mock Friday evening Kiddush - the meal that brings in Shabbat (the Sabbath day).

Tomorrow is Reception's turn to help lay the table or sit and take part. All parents are warmly welcomed to join us for this assembly at 1:30pm.



Letters home this week...

Phonics test (Y1)
KS1 SATs (Y2)
KS2 SATs (Y6)