

# Junior School News

## Friday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2016

# **Cultural Champion Visit**

Year 6 children enjoyed their visit from Chiu, a cultural champion, on Thursday. She brought with her many genuine artefacts from the Shang Dynasty to support the work they have been doing in class. They did some fantastic Chinese writing to celebrate the upcoming Chinese New Year.











Chinese New Year is on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> February and welcomes in the year of the monkey; on Monday all the children will take part in activities to celebrate.

## **Safer Internet Day**



On Tuesday 9th February 2016, millions across the UK and globally are celebrating Safer Internet Day. For parents and carers, Safer Internet Day is a great time to have a conversation with their child about staying safe online. For Safer Internet Day 2016, the theme is 'Play your part for a better internet' and young people from across the UK are considering what they can do to help make the internet a kinder place. Perhaps you could talk to your child about what

actions they could take to make the internet a kinder place?

In school, the children will be celebrating Safer Internet Day by discussing the things they enjoy on-line and how to stay safe while using the internet. You can find some helpful information online by searching: 'Safer Internet Day 2016 parent pack'.

#### **Family Assemblies**

Congratulations to the children in 4KR for their family assembly today. The poems and songs were really fun and were performed brilliantly. The next family assembly (9.05am – 9.25am) is **5AS on Friday 26**<sup>th</sup> **February** and will be in the gym.

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### **Oriental Gardens**

Year 3 have been busy creating some amazing oriental gardens as part of their 'Rocks and Soils' topic. They had to work carefully, using different coloured stone, to create striking designs. Each garden had a plant as a focal point.









# **Gangsta Granny**

Children in Year 4 had a fantastic trip to see Gangsta Granny at the Northcott Theatre on Wednesday. We are looking forward to seeing the writing inspired by the visit.



'It was amazing! I liked it when Granny kept giving Ben cabbage soup.' Dennis

'It was great to go to the theatre. It was funny when the Queen danced and we all joined in!' Lyla

### Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers





The school council will soon be doing the first count of vouchers. Please remember to keep bringing any Active Kids Vouchers in to school. The box is just inside the main entrance.

### **Read for My School**



We have 74 children signed up to our reading group now and between them, they have read a fantastic 229 books already!

The event runs until **15<sup>th</sup> April 2016** so there's still plenty of time to sign up. Children will need to register on: <a href="www.readformyschool.co.uk">www.readformyschool.co.uk</a> You will need our 'classroom code' to sign up, which is: **854056** 



A huge thank you to all the year 5 children (and parents) who baked and bought goodies for the Pop-up café on Wednesday: it was a real success!



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