

# ARNETT HILLS JMI SCHOOL



## Friday 23rd November 2018

### Visits and Visitors

Last Tuesday Year 3 came to school dressed as Ancient Egyptians. Miss Norton- Child and Mrs Gwinnell joined in to. An actor / historian from Portals to the Past taught the children about many aspects of life in Ancient Egypt and the children had the opportunity to share the knowledge they already had with him.

The children in Year 6 spent the morning of Friday November 16<sup>th</sup> at St Clement Danes where they completed a range of different science based activities: a planetarium show, a meet the Year 7s event where they got to try out Bunsen burners and an engineering challenge. The children enjoyed the collaboration during the engineering challenge and came away from the morning enthused by science. Many thanks to Miss Bowler for organising the participation of Y6 on this morning.

On Monday Miss Hacking organised a visit from the firefighters as part of Reception Class's topic 'People Who Help Us.' They enjoyed looking at the fire engine, counting how many ladders there were (there were 4) and climbing aboard to investigate the equipment. The fire fighters were very impressed with the children's knowledge on 'stop, drop and roll'. Miss Tibbles was very sporting by dressing up in fire fighting gear!



### Infant Christmas Play

If you enjoy Strictly Come Dancing, then 'Lights, Camel, Action!' is a must see for you. The Y2 children have been diligently learning their lines and all three infant classes have been busy learning the very entertaining songs. A letter about performance dates, times and tickets has been sent out. Please ensure you return your slip in order to avoid disappointment.

Brrr.... Please keep an eye on the weather forecast. Temperatures were predicted to drop this week and we had to keep some children in during breaktimes at the start of the week as they did not have coats or sweat shirts at school. Some children wore ankle socks when tights would have been more appropriate.



### Truefitt Collective

This drama/dance group has been visiting schools in the area to deliver its assembly and workshops (for Year 3 to 6) on emotions. The younger children were mesmerised by the music and dancing in the assembly and the juniors were able to explore different emotions through movement/dance. I watched the Y6 workshop and was impressed with the dance sequence the children choreographed and performed in pairs or small groups. Their comments afterwards were very insightful. The company was very complimentary about the children's energy and enthusiasm.

### House Points

Greenfinches—200

Robins—188

Kingfishers—182

Canaries—153

### Football

Well done to the squad: Luke, Dylan, Jonny, Luca, Tom, Lennie, Leo, Darragh and Ronnie (who, despite an injury, came to support). The match against St John's was action packed with a closely fought first half score of 1-1. The final result, however, was a 4-1 win for Arnett Hills as the team put their collective foot on the accelerator! There were a brace of goals for both Lennie and Luca with a very important save from Luke in the first half.

*It is a very busy time of year. Here are a few reminders of what is coming soon to Arnett Hills...*

- Friday December 7<sup>th</sup>** - Non uniform day in exchange for a bottle (this may contain shower gel, sauce, soft drinks, wine, spirits...) for the bottle tombola stall
- Monday December 10<sup>th</sup>** - 1:30pm, infant play dress rehearsal (No tickets required. This is the only performance which younger children may attend)
- Tuesday December 11<sup>th</sup>** - 1:30pm, infant play (tickets required)
- Wednesday December 12<sup>th</sup>** - 6pm, infant play (tickets required). Doors will not open before 5:30pm
- Thursday December 13<sup>th</sup>** - PTA Junior Disco 6pm to 8pm
- Friday December 14<sup>th</sup>** - Non-uniform day in exchange for a Santa bag (which can be filled with anything of your choice: crayons, pencils rubbers, mini toiletries, sweets, small toy, hair bands, beads...). These will be put on a tombola stall.
- Saturday December 15<sup>th</sup>** - PTA Christmas Fayre 11am to 2pm - PLEASE DO COME ALONG. All funds raised are used to enhance school life for the children.
- Monday December 17<sup>th</sup>** - (afternoon) whole school visit to the panto at Watersmeet. Make sure you have read the letter about this. Complete and return the slip
- Tuesday December 18<sup>th</sup>** - choir to sing Christmas songs at Tesco after school
- Wednesday December 19<sup>th</sup>** - hat making (a fun way to recycle red, green, blue and yellow bits and pieces - start collecting now!)
- Wednesday December 19<sup>th</sup>** - children's Christmas lunch. Make sure you have read the letter sent home and return your slip
- Thursday December 20<sup>th</sup>** - children's film afternoon
- Friday December 21<sup>st</sup>** - why not drop your children off then come to the hall where they will re-join you, after being registered, for a Christmas singalong
- Friday December 21<sup>st</sup>** - SCHOOL ENDS AT 2PM. Please ensure your child is collected on time

**Monday January 7th 2019**—Start of the Spring term.

Thank you.

