

ARNETT HILLS JMI SCHOOL

Friday March 22nd 2019



It's a wrap!

A huge thank you to Victoria and Lucy from WRAP who spent Thursday in school leading art sessions with all of the classes. To raise awareness about the destruction of our oceans. From bubble painted fish and clown fish to hundreds of flowery corals, the children created art work from recycled materials, to contribute towards a final piece of art work commissioned by the Youth Council.



The Youth Council aim to display the art work in June at the Watersmeet Theatre. A huge thank you to Mrs Mehdwan who supported throughout the day and to all of the children for their enthusiasm and effort. Once again our children were praised for their behaviour and kindness towards others.



Welcome to the Arnett Hills family to little Ivy Day who was born on Saturday and weighed in at 7lb 7 oz. Mr and Mrs Day are overjoyed as of course am I. She is absolutely gorgeous. As 'Graunty' I have already had a few cuddles and even managed to get a tiny burp out of Ivy! Mrs Day is really looking forward to bringing Ivy to school when she is a little older to meet all of the children and staff who are so thrilled at this happy news.



Ivy's photo has reminded us that the deadline for the class/team photos is fast approaching: **Tuesday March 26th.** If you miss that date, you will have to place your order online.

Thank you to the children who have guitar lessons with Johnny for sharing their achievements through their concert on Monday afternoon. We all thoroughly enjoyed listening to them and the children recognised certain tunes straight away, such as The Eye of the Tiger.



Y5 GREENWICH

Today Y5 took a walk around the Cutty Sark on arrival by train. They ate their lunch next to the Thames River then walked through Greenwich University and the Maritime Museum before climbing the hill to the Royal Observatory where they had a great view of the London skyline. They watched a planetarium show called 'Our Closest Neighbours' in which they were able to travel into space to visit Mars and Saturn. The experience gave them a wealth of extra knowledge on space and constellations which links to their topics in science and English.



SPORTS NEWS - NATIONAL SKIPPING DAY

The playground was awash with skipping ropes today as Miss Norton-Child organised the classes so that everyone took part in this fun way of keeping fit. There was a competition at lunchtime run by the Y6 PE monitors to see who could complete the most skips in 1 minute. There was a clear infant winner—May (Y1) did 44 skips. Well done. The junior competition, however, could not have been closer! Shrey who skipped consistently well throughout the day scored 93, but Tom (Y6) pipped him to the post with 94 skips. Congratulations to both boys (and their hard working hearts!!) I hope to see children continuing to enjoy skipping next week once this special day has ended.

Y6 TAG RUGBY

On Wednesday afternoon 3 schools joined us here to take part in a mini league. There was a total of 6 matches on two pitches and the competition was fierce! In the end, it all boiled down to the final match between Arnett Hills and St Josephs which was exhausting to watch! St Joseph's won and go through to the next stage. Well done to all of the children from St Joseph's, St Mary's and St John's. Well played to Kerry, Amelie, Elyse, Kaycee-Mae, Ronnie, Dylan, Austin, Lennie, Tom, Ollie, Luca, and to 'coach' Luke. Miss Norton-Child and Miss Bowler (who Y6 run tag rugby club at lunchtime) are so impressed with the children's enthusiasm and skills that they are going to continue the club. An enormous thank you to Mr Simpkins, Mr Montgomery and Mr Bateman. These 3 dads ran the entire afternoon for us: they set up the pitches, were referees for the games and organised a kicking activity using inflatable rugby posts. Mr Simpkins organised a trophy and medals of which the children were very proud.

PARENT CONSULTATIONS

A REMINDER... that these will take place on Thursday March 28th (4 to 5:50pm) and Thursday April 4th 5 to 7:50pm. You should walk across the junior playground and enter the school through the dining room doors on the far side of the building. From there you should go to your child's classroom where you can look at his/her work. Please come back to the dining room before just your appointment. In that way, I can try to keep all of the tables on time with their appointments. Please remember that appointments are 10 minutes long and to keep to that out of consideration for the families after you. Following your appointment, you are very welcome to return to your child's classroom.

HEALTH MATTERS

As many of you know, there has been a great deal of illness at school this week. Following guidance from Public Health, we have ensured frequent cleans of door handles and surfaces using anti bacterial sprays. The children have been reminded to wash their hands thoroughly and frequently using the anti bacterial hand wash which we always have in classrooms. I have reminded them about putting their hand in front of their mouth when they cough or sneeze, and to use a tissue to blow their nose. Please try to make sure that the symptoms of high temperature, sore throat, headache, sore eyes are clear before your child's return to school. Let's hope that we are over the worst.

