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16TH November

The Deputy Head Teacher writes ...

This year has seen me taking on a different role within school and parents have been asking what I do and if I like my new role. Yes, I do like my new role very much! A deputy head wears many hats and no two days are the same. I do miss having a class of my own but now I am able to spend time with many different year groups and I have particularly enjoyed getting to know the Pre Prep children much better. It has also been very exciting to see how well our new teachers and teaching assistants have settled in and I have observed some really exciting and innovative lessons. As far as teaching PE and Games, I still teach hockey to Year 6 so I have not hung up my trainers for good just yet!

One of my main roles is being one of the Designated Safeguarding Leads along with Mrs Grainge, a vitally important job. Please ensure that you attend one of Mrs Campbell's e-safety talks on Monday, during Parents' Evening, as we all want to do everything we can to keep our children happy, safe and secure. I look forward to continue greeting you and your children in the mornings on the school car-park although I'm not quite so keen if it's raining!

Hope4Malawi

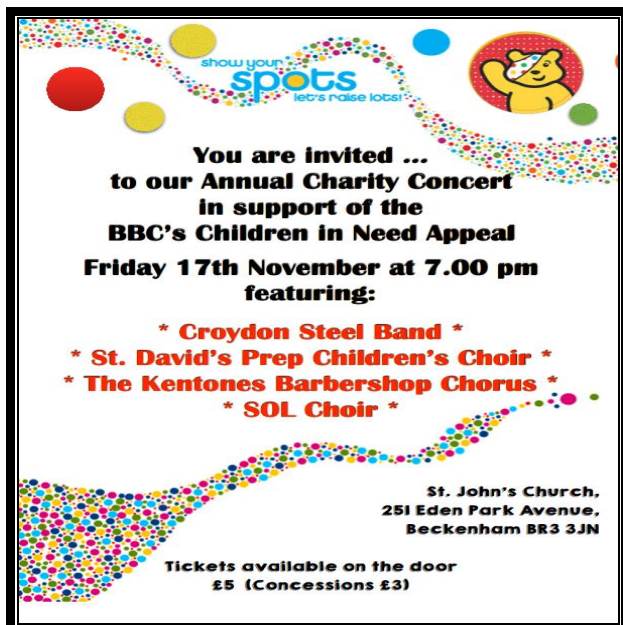
On Monday we welcomed Sara and Julia from the charity Hope4Malawi. During our assembly time they told us all about life for a school child in Malawi. The information and pictures were both interesting and challenging. We learnt that many classes have 100 children and very few books or resources. Many families live on £1.00 a day and children find it difficult to concentrate at school as they are hungry. Therefore one of the main things Hope4Malawi supports is a feeding programme in schools. It costs just £12 to feed one child for a year. Each child receives a mug of porridge each morning to sustain them throughout the day, no choice and no waste. A lesson to us all!

Many of our children were touched by the small amounts involved to make a real difference for other children of a similar age to them, a difference that can keep them alive and give them access to learning and a hopeful future. Therefore, we have given each pupil a takeaway container that we are asking them to collect money in, be it loose change or money they have earned themselves – they have already suggested some creative ways they might do this.

It would be amazing if every pupil could raise at least £12 so that we can help feed the equivalent number of children in a school at Malawi and really help make a difference. We will collect all the containers back after the Christmas break.

If you would like more information about the charity that is also supported by Trinity School, then please look at their website, www.hope4malawi.org or browse the material that will be available on Parents' Evening.





NEXT WEEK

Monday 20th

Friday 24th

Parents' Evening

8.45am Parent Council

Year 2 Maritime Museum

U11 Football v City of London (H)

NOVEMBER

Monday 27th

Wednesday 29th

DECEMBER

Saturday 2nd

Thursday 7th

Friday 8th

Cross Country Festival

Flu Vaccination R, 1, 2, 3, 4

1 – 4pm PTA Christmas Fair

Years 5 & 6 Singing in the Glades
for MENCAP

6.30pm Carol Service

St John's Church Eden Park



E-SAFETY TALKS

Mrs Campbell will be running two e-safety sessions for parents during Parents' Evening on Monday. The talks will be at 4.00pm and 7.00pm and will be packed full of useful information and advice to help you work alongside the school in ensuring all our children stay safe online and receive up to date guidance on correct use of social media. Ours is a constantly changing world and we all need to be aware of potential dangers and know how to put in place measures to protect our young people as far as we possibly can.

We therefore urge you to attend one of these sessions as a priority.

On a very soggy Saturday morning, many of our Year 5 and 6 runners arrived at Crystal Palace for this event. All our competitors did well and as Mr Hunter remarked, no one moaned despite the awful conditions! We are delighted to announce that Megan (6) finished 1st out of approximately 300 runners!

BROMLEY SCHOOLS CROSS COUNTRY



We are very excited that we now have two Junior Travel Ambassadors at St David's, Oscar and Luke in Year 6. After attending a training and Investiture Day with the JTA's from other Bromley Primary schools, they returned full of ideas of how they could increase road safety knowledge amongst our pupils. Their first competition called *Give It Some Welly! Be Bright Be Seen* was to design a welly that would be great for cold and dark winter weather. With over 40 entries to judge, the boys found that marking is not as easy as it looks!

The results were as follows:

PRE-PREP: 1st Isabella, 2nd Joshua M, 3rd Sofia PREP: 1st Rosemary, 2nd Zoe, 3rd Neha

Prizes were awarded in assembly and then our winning entries were sent off to be judged with the entries from the other Bromley schools. Fingers crossed!

- A massive thank you to the PTA for the fantastic firework display on Saturday!
- Have you all remembered to sign up for parents' evening on Monday 20th November?
- Remember you are all welcome to Parent Council on Friday 24th November at 8.45am in the Cabin
- Please follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram