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CARNIVAL

Next week our preparations start for Carnival. Thank you for your offers of help. They have been passed on to individual teachers. Marsherie Josephs will be organising a carnival workshop in the dining area on Friday of next week. Please let Marsherie know if you can come and help. It is possible to leave messages for Marsherie at the school office.

All children are designing costumes around the theme of sustainability. The costumes will mostly be made from re-cyclable materials. KS1 are working on a theme of sustainable energy and KS2 are working on themes around looking after our planet. The themes for each class band are as follows:

Reception: Water Power

YR1: Solar Power

YR2: Wind Power

YR3: Rainforest Butterflies

YR4: Rainforest Birds

YR5: Saving the Planet

YR6: Saving the Planet

Each class will be working to a colour scheme and will also be making a large king or queen for the front of each band. Weather allowing we will be making a procession to Horniman Museum and then returning to school for refreshments provided by Cummin Up and food prepared by the children.

The Carnival Procession will take place on Friday 24th October in the afternoon.

AMPHITHEATRE

We are pleased to announce that the amphitheatre will finally be completed today. The delay has been due to waiting for the handrail to be made and fitted. Children will be given the opportunity to use the amphitheatre next week. We are planning for an official opening later in the term.

CLUB NEWS

Requests for payment for this term's clubs have now been sent out by pupil post.

Museum Club

In the summer term our Museum Club was filmed for a programme on Teachers TV. This programme is part of a series on extended services and will be shown on 19th November at 9.00am. It will also be available to watch on <http://www.teachers.tv> shortly after this date.

Guitar Lessons

Unfortunately we have not been able to start guitar lessons this term due to Suliman being unwell. We will update guitar players when we have further information. In the mean time we suggest that children may like to take their guitars home to practise.

Flutes, Clarinets and Violins

Please can children remember to take their instruments home after their lessons each week.

AUTUMN PLAYScheme

Places for the Autumn Playscheme are going fast. We still have a few places left on some days. Please make sure you have returned your slip to Marsherie if you would like your child to attend.

SPONSORED WALK

Our annual sponsored walk will take place in the Summer Term this year. With the very wet weather we have had this summer we decided not to attempt an autumn date for our walk.

PARENT CONFERENCE EVENINGS

Appointment time slips are being sent home today to all families who have requested a time slot to meet with teachers next Wednesday and Thursday. This is an important meeting and I hope everyone has been able to make arrangements to meet with class teachers. If you have not yet requested an appointment time please contact your child's teacher early next week.

PUPIL DATA INFORMATION

We will be updating our pupil information records next week. Forms will be available during the parent conference evening to check and complete. We will also be updating permission for filming and photography of children at Horniman. We are increasingly placing pictures on the school website and would like to check that we have updated permission to use pictures of your child.

FRIDAY MORNING CRECHE

Our crèche started this morning and will be running every Friday from 9.00am—9.30am in the school library. Please let class teachers know in advance if you would like to use the crèche.

KS1 CONKER COMPETITION

The KS1 classes will be collecting conkers over the next two weeks to see which class can collect the most. We have talked to the children about how to collect conkers safely. One year we collected 11,000 conkers.

STAFF NEWS

The following classes will require cover next week:

Wednesday YR2 Nawal Shamkhi to cover

Thursday YR1 Lena El Sayed to cover

Friday YR3 Nawal Shamkhi to cover