



Family News

2nd October 2009

BRITISH FOOD FORTNIGHT



It's British Food Fortnight and we have been trying traditional British foods at lunchtime this week.

The children have been offered bangers and mash, steak pie, roast lamb with mint sauce, fish & chips and Welsh Rarebit.

They were amused to discover that Welsh Rarebit was a cheese dish and not a description of the meat in the pie! Everything has been served up with fresh vegetables and salads.

Everyone has enjoyed the food and we have had plenty of clean plates and complements to Mikey, our chef.

ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

Attendance improved significantly over the last school year reaching 94% by July. The Lambeth average was 94.1%. Unfortunately, too many pupils are still arriving late.

All pupils should be in school at 8:55 am. Those who arrive after this time will be marked late.

Persistent lateness will result in a Lambeth Fixed Penalty of £50.

Missing 12 minutes school a day adds up to an hour a week or 8 days in a school year.

We are not able to authorise family holidays in school time. A family holiday will be marked as an unauthorised absence and reported to Lambeth.

On the subject of food.....

We'd like to take the opportunity to remind parents and carers of how to keep their children's packed lunches healthy:

- Sandwiches
- Fruit
- Yoghurt

- Crisps
- Cake
- Chocolate

SUMMER EXHIBITION

The Summer Art Exhibition was a great success. It was enjoyed by everyone who came to see it. We received some really great comments from the many parents who came.



I wasn't expecting this. It has really made my day to see what my son has done.

I am pleased that the school have chosen to show their creative side

The way the children express what they see and perceive is astonishing and pure delight.

It shows that the children do not only have potential in academic subjects but can also do well in art



For Black History Month we have had a visit this week from Valerie Bloom, the author and poet. Valerie performed her poetry to all the children from Nursery to Year Six.

Read all about our Black History Month poetry exhibition in the next newsletter & look out for the invitation to come & see the children's work.

Parent Workshops

Hill Mead tries hard to provide parents with an opportunity to share their skills with their children. In the past we have had computer skills workshops and English as a Second Language classes.

This term we are running a series of animation and film making workshops for the parents and children of Years 2, 3 and 4. Parents will make an animated film with their children and then have it shown at the British Film Institute in London. There is no charge for this course.

We are only able to run courses if we have at least 10 people willing to attend on one day a week, usually for 8 - 10 weeks. If you are interested in attending a course please speak to Mrs Stonebridge as soon as possible.