



Dear Parents/Carers,

### Be a Breakfast Star!

The week of 26<sup>th</sup> January is National Breakfast Week which encourages us all to make special effort to start the day well by eating a healthy breakfast.

The school runs a Breakfast Club every day where children choose from a range of healthy options including Cornflakes, Rice Krispies, Weetabix, Porridge, wholemeal toast, bagels, muffins, fruit loaf, hot cross buns, milk/juice and water.

During Breakfast Week we will also offer scrambled eggs on toast and beans on toast.

If you haven't been to Breakfast Club before (between 25-30 children attend each day), why not give it a go and see what a difference it makes to your energy levels.

PS- biscuits or chocolate products are NOT a healthy breakfast option.



### Children in the playground at the start of school

Reminder: School starts at 8:55am so children who do not attend Breakfast Club should not be in the playground before 8:45am as there are no staff to supervise them. Thank you.

### Lab\_13 Astronomy Society

Would you like to join the new Lab\_13 Astronomy Society? If so, please come along to Lab\_13 at 6:30pm on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> to sign up, discuss how it will work, maybe think of a name...

You do not need any equipment; the group is likely to meet once a month in the early evening.

Children **must** be accompanied by an adult!

### IT & Maths Bilingual Booster Club

From Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> January we will be starting our After School Club from 3:30-4:45pm in the ICT suite for parents and children! If you haven't already signed up please see one of the BPSA's or the school office. The School will run for 18 weeks and will be a chance for you and your child to gain confidence and support each other's learning whilst having some family fun!

### After School Clubs Payment

If you have outstanding fees for After School Club we ask you to make payment as soon as possible to ensure your child can continue to attend. Thank you.

### Reminder: 'Bring a Parent' dates:

Date & Time	Year	Teacher
Mon 26 <sup>th</sup> January 9-10am	Year 4	Lyn
Tue 27 <sup>th</sup> January 9-10am	Year 1	Jenna
Wed 28 <sup>th</sup> January 9-10am	Reception	Anneli
Thu 29 <sup>th</sup> January 9-10am	Year 3	Angela
Fri 30 <sup>th</sup> January 9-10am	Year 6	Shelley
Tue 3 <sup>rd</sup> February 9-10am	Year 5	Ian
Wed 4 <sup>th</sup> February 9-10am	Nursery	Hilarie
Thu 5 <sup>th</sup> February 9-10am	Year 2	Heather

### How good at relaxing are you?

See the reverse of this newsletter for our talk on wellbeing, relaxation practice and free give away next Thursday!

## Attendance Matters

Week beginning	05/01/2015	12/01/2015
Nursery	92.79%	97.31%
Reception	99.17%	99.33%
Year 1	100%	99.67%
Year 2	96.25%	97.00%
Year 3	95.42%	98.67%
Year 4	99.58%	100%
Year 5	97.92%	95.67%
Year 6	93.75%	97.81%

Yours sincerely,  
Mark Owen, Headteacher

### Friends of Gillespie

Dear FoG Members

We trust you had an enjoyable festive break - perhaps some of you made some New Year Resolutions, one of which is to get more involved in FoG? If so, we will be holding the next FoG meeting on the morning of Friday 30<sup>th</sup> Jan from 0900 in the lower hall (immediately after drop-off) to discuss events for 2015 amongst other things (children welcome, coffee and biscuits will be provided, so no need to visit the local café). Currently planned events include the Parent/Carer Quiz Night on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March and Jamboree in Clissold Park, but we are open to new suggestions as well.

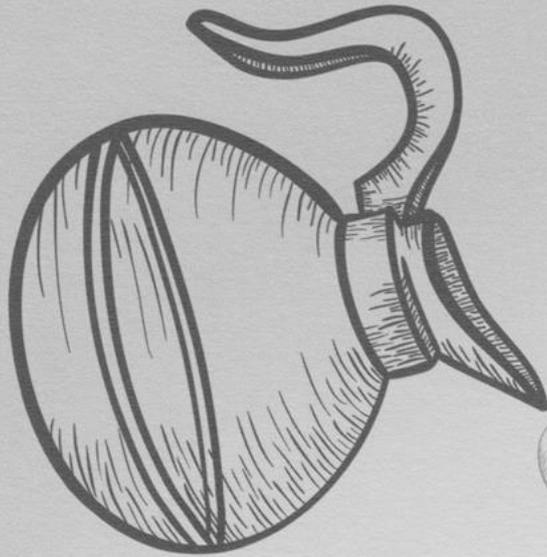
One of the other subjects we will be discussing is "Fundraising" - we are always looking for people to help us with applying for grants and awards and if you have any experience in this area that would be great - but even if you don't but would still be prepared to help, please let us know as more support is needed in this area and this work can be done from home at convenient moments; these awards and grants go a long way to ensuring some of the larger projects/activities (trim trail, lab 13 for example) can be funded - support for lab 13 would otherwise require a lot of cake sales!

Finally, we are starting to think about the Summer Fair so if you received any unwanted but still boxed gifts, we would be delighted to have them for our tombola/ raffle - please drop them into the office marked "FoG" - who knows you might even win it back at the fair!

We hope to see you at the meeting on 30<sup>th</sup> Jan but if not, please feel free to email Gary, Sandra or Suzanne or catch us in the playground if you have any ideas you'd like to discuss or can help in any way.



The FoG Team



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**Free** gifts,  
 relaxation CDs,  
 food and drink  
 and attendance  
 certificates.

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**How good  
 at relaxing  
 are you?**

**Come along  
 and find out!**

No need to book, just turn up for a  
**FREE** hour of food and drink, inspirational  
 talks on wellbeing, relaxation practice  
 and free give aways!

Place: Gillespie Primary

Time: 10.30am - 11.30am

Date: Thursday 29th January

To be continued...



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