

## A few reminders...

- All school dinner money **MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE**. Please send it to school with your child in an envelope clearly marked with their name, class, amount and days/weeks being paid for. Charges from September 2014 will be £2.15 for Reception to Year 4 and £2.25 for Years 5 and 6.
- When receiving letters from school, return the reply slip but **please retain the letter to refer to for dates/times etc.**
- For health and safety reasons Children must not play on the adventure playground equipment before or after school. Bikes/scooters are not allowed to be ridden on the playground at any time.
- Sweets/cakes etc must not be given out at school on children's birthdays by children or parents, please save them for the party.
- School office opening hours are from 8.30am—4pm. The answerphone will be on at all other times.
- Breakfast club opens at 7.50am, please do not leave your child before this time.

Well done to the children from the reception classes who have contributed to the Milburn Community Garden Project.

There will be a Community Picnic at the Golden Garden on Tuesday 29th July from 11.30am—1.30pm

Bring your own picnic and drinks

Enjoy the garden, buy locally grown, organic fresh produce, join in games for the young children and play at the park!

If you need childcare during the summer holiday, remember our

### Holiday Club!

Running from

**Thursday 24th July to Tuesday 2nd September**

Not including Monday 25th August (Bank Holiday)

Packed lunch required for full days.

To book please call 01234 322050

## Looking for something 'arty' to do during the holiday?

The Art Centre & Gallery in Howard Street will be running workshops for children aged 8 years and over. Why not try one of the following sessions:

**Monday 28th July, 10am - 12 o'clock & 2pm-4pm**  
Recycled art - tutor Lauren Mitchell £10 per session

**Saturday 2nd Aug, 10am - 1pm**  
Special effects make-up- tutor Jimmy Mann (trained by the Dr. Who special effects team). £10  
**2pm -4pm**

Decopatch mask making with gem decoration - tutor Ruth Orsky .£7.

**Mon 11th Aug, 10am - 1pm**  
Circular weaving - tutor Philippa - £7

**Sat 16th Aug, 2pm -5pm**  
Special effects make up - tutor Jimmy Mann £10.

For further details and to book please call 01234 344784 or call in.

Have a great summer holiday, see you on Wednesday 3rd September 2014!

## Putnoe Primary School

### Artsmark Gold

Artsmark is the national programme that enables schools to evaluate, celebrate and strengthen a quality arts offer.

At Putnoe Primary we have been awarded Gold status for the second time!

The award acknowledges our commitment to the arts.

*'Your school is clearly a centre of excellence in the arts. You use the arts as the driving force of your curriculum and as a means of engaging, motivating and creating opportunities for your pupils.'*

Artsmark Accreditor July 2014

July 2014

Putnoe Primary's dedication to the Arts has been recognised by

'Music for Bedford Borough'

The school was awarded the

'Innovation in School Music' Award

for its commitment for developing opportunity within the music curriculum for children across the school. They were particularly impressed with the school's innovative plans to build a new music room incorporating 2 practise rooms. The plans also specify music being a key feature of the outdoor environment.

## The ARTS

### The Royal Opera House

Our work with the arts has extended to us establishing a partnership with the 'Royal Opera House' and 'Bedford Creative Arts'. This work has meant that we have been able to share our expertise in the Arts with other schools.

Children in KS2 have been working hard, throughout the summer term, to help choreograph a variety of group dance pieces. These were performed fantastically to all year groups and an audience at Putnoe Primary's Dance Display on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July. The children have been excited and inspired by different music genres and dance styles; they have shown great talent, enthusiasm and commitment. Other children in KS2 created costumes and visual imagery for the show as well as organising lighting and backdrops.

Year 3 had the fantastic opportunity to perform at the Corn Exchange this month as part of the 'Sing On' project. They sang wonderfully to many of our parents who were part of the large audience.

Thank you to the parents and families who came to hear the Key Stage 2 choir sing at their end of year concert. The choir has had an exciting year having performed at major arenas in London, and the quality of their singing has improved immensely.

Well Done!

# NEWS

## POETRY FESTIVAL

Every child in every year was invited to learn and recite a poem in their class.

The very hard decision of choosing the best from the best was given to all staff within year groups. Four children from each year group were selected for the

'Putnoe Primary School Poetry Festival 2014'

The talent was great and all members of the school were treated to recitals of different poetry.

Congratulations to all of our winners:

Reception: Dane Robertshaw,

Year 1: Charlotte Carpenter,

Year 2: Megan Fraser,

Year 3: Ignacy Wegner,

Year 4: Rumiél Pereira & Jacob Meadows,

Year 5: Emma Mhitarjana,

Year 6: Morgan Batten.

**A BIG Thank You to the parents who helped with the digging of our WW1 style trench. A very tiring but successful day!**



## PUTNOE'S GOT TALENT

Our talent competition was again a huge success and an enjoyable experience for everyone whether participating or watching!

Well done to all who entered, we have an amazing amount of talent at Putnoe Primary!

Well done to our winners who were:

### 1st Place

**Karan Mahey**

who at just 5 years old played the Indian Drums amazingly!

### 2nd Place

**Yamira & Nadira**

Rodriguez-Benenati and Trisha & Eliot Kissindja who performed a fantastic gymnastics routine!

### 3rd place

**Nicole Varszegi**

who sung beautifully!

## Goodbyes and Hellos



Mrs Conroy, our Deputy Head, leaves us at the end of this term after eight years at Putnoe. Her contribution to school improvement has been enormous. Her example has impacted on standards across the school and her work in developing our music curriculum has been excellent. We now have music provision that is second to none. Her vision and dedication in striving for academic excellence will be sorely missed.

We also say goodbye to Mr Crouch, Miss Lovell, Miss Godfrey and Miss Maye and wish them all the very best for the future.

In September we will be welcoming to Putnoe Primary our new Deputy Head Mr Petch, Assistant Head Mrs Stanton, Music Teacher Miss Booth, and Class Teachers Miss Mellor and Miss Reddy.



This year the residential trip was amazing! During our week away we did so many activities, including body zorbing, where we were challenged to try and push other people down, and multi vines, where we had to climb up poles and across ropes.

We also did abseiling and rock climbing. Abseiling was really tough – from the ground it didn't look that high, but once at the top it became quite scary; because of this we needed to be really brave, particularly as we needed to jump backwards at the beginning. After that though, it was really easy. All we had to do was push away from the tower until we reached the bottom. Like the abseiling, rock climbing was hard for some people; the higher we went, the more difficult it was to hold on as the 'rocks' became more slippery – some people did extremely well and got to the top!

Other memorable activities during the week were: laser maze, wet and wacky, kayaking, buggy building and archery. It really was a fantastic, memorable week that I'm sure will be remembered forever by all of us who went!

By Chiara and Kierah

Residential Trip  
July 2014

## Well Done to our 100% attendees!

Daniella Adjei-Asante  
Jivarni Antoine  
Oscar Barron  
Lewis Bradford  
Tyra Campbell  
Katie-Mae Clingan  
William Corrigan  
Taeus Glasgow  
Jem Goodrick  
Alfie Hawkins  
Jared Hung-Cheong-Sow  
Kamron Khan  
Brennan Martin  
Oliver Morton-Matthews  
Phoebe Munns  
Destiny Nelson  
Christabel Nyamtowo  
Benjamin Orr  
Saint Osibote  
Martynas Ruzgys  
Lovett Sekyere  
Rhea Silvera  
Isabelle Smith  
Ferenc Szabo  
Leila Tsang  
Sofia Whittle  
Sophia Witton  
Carolin Youssef

Michelle Adjei-Asante  
Marrlie Bah  
Charlie Blades  
Olivia Bradford  
Liam Chikute  
Harriet Correia  
Bertie Du Plessis  
Celina Gonja  
Jack Green  
Robert Horvath  
Kallum Husband  
Isaiah Luke  
Rohan Singh Mehmi  
Calvin Mungofa  
Danai Musa  
Hope Nelson  
Ayomikun Odumuyiwa  
Praises Osibote  
Chardonay Royes  
Andre Satahoo  
Mahi Sikand  
Ellie Smith  
Alicia Stapleton  
Natasha Tekell-Mellor  
Sophia Walton-Kale  
Imogen Witton  
Keehan Wright

## ECO

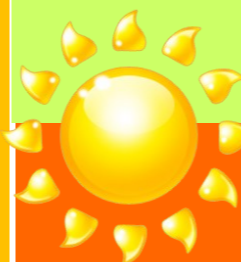
The Green Ambassadors have had a busy year ensuring our school eco-code has been kept and monitoring the Eco pledges which were made in February. All year groups have been keen to be green and worked hard towards keeping their Eco pledges. The eco pledges are based on the Eco schools topics and we will continue to be dedicated to ensuring we remain a sustainable school next year.

We have collected and recycled 10 toners for the Beds Garden Carer charity. Please do remember to donate any old unwanted mobile phones which can also be recycled for this local charity.

WOW walkers!

Summer Term WOW walkers are...

Dali for KS1 and  
Michelangelo for KS2!



A reminder that children moving to year 6 in September will need light grey polo shirts, available at the office, £3 each. All other year groups should have white polo shirts.

Trousers, skirts and pinafores should be black.

Shoes should be black (no trainers or sandals).

Jumpers and cardigans with school logo are available at the school office (other jumpers/cardigans should not be worn).

Tights and socks should be black, or white socks for girls wearing skirts or dresses.

The Office will be open to buy uniform on 1st and 2nd September

## Dates for your diary

Wednesday 23rd July

LAST DAY OF TERM

Thursday 24th July—Tuesday 2nd Sept

SUMMER HOLIDAY

Mon 1st + Tues 2nd Sept

Staff Training days—office open to buy uniform

Wednesday 3rd September

AUTUMN TERM BEGINS

Mon 27th Oct—Fri 31st Oct

HALF TERM HOLIDAY

