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HEADTEACHER'S NEWS

Dear parents and carers of Stepney Park,

Year 6 SATs. As you may know, this week children in year 6 sat their SATs tests. Although we won't know the results for a number of weeks, I was nonetheless very impressed with the maturity and resilience they showed across the week. Well done to them all for acquitting themselves so well.

Attendance. Many parents will be well aware of the importance of good attendance at school for children's learning and social skills, and most children at Stepney Park attend very well. However, I was struck to read in a report from the Department for Education that children whose attendance is 95% or above are 30% more likely to reach the expected standard in year 6 than those whose attendance is below 95%. Furthermore, missing just ten days in year 6 reduces the likelihood of a child reaching the expected standard by 25%. This demonstrates the value of attending school every day.

All the best for the week ahead.

Richard
Headteacher, Stepney Park Primary School.

STARS OF STEPNEY PARK

Y2 at the Tate Modern. At the gallery, Y2 proved to be incredibly curious explorers. They looked closely at many paintings and sculptures and discussed how different pieces made them feel. Armed with their sketchbooks, they then produced drawings that captured the unique shapes and structures they had seen. The trip also provided them with a wealth of inspiration for upcoming classroom projects.



Y2 Science. In Science, Y2 are growing seeds in class, carefully observing them as they germinate and measuring their growth daily. This hands-on investigation is helping them understand how plants grow from seeds to mature plants, and what they need to stay healthy. They are of course developing important scientific skills like close observation and measurement as they watch their experiments unfold.



NOTICES

Coming up next week:

- **Talent Show Finals - Wednesday 20th May.** Parents of children performing are invited to join us.
- **Y3 Late Night - Thursday 21st May.** Children in Y3 will be staying until 7pm to enjoy some great activities.
- **End of term - Friday 22nd May.** School will finish at 3.30pm.



Coffee Morning
joined by Fola from **Early Help**



When: Monday 18th May
9:10am - 10:30am

What is Early Help?

- **Support for the Whole Family:** Early Help provides a helping hand to families before small challenges become bigger problems.
- **A Tailored Approach:** Every family is different; the service works with you to identify exactly what support your child and family need.
- **Working Together:** It's a partnership between you, the school, and local services to make sure your child is happy, healthy, and safe.
- **Practical Advice:** Guidance on everything from routines and behaviour to housing, finances, and emotional wellbeing.
- **Connecting You:** We help signpost and link you to specialist services in Tower Hamlets, such as Children's Centres, youth hubs, and health services.

Speak to Khaleda, Shipa or Tom in the Pastoral Care Team (PCT)
for more details or to answer any questions.