



Newsletter 2  
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# Sydenham Primary School Newsletter

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Dear parents and carers,  
Happy St. David's Day!



Just to show you how busy we were on our Training day before the holiday! We shared the hall with 150 teachers from other local schools and looked at outstanding practice in Teaching and Learning led by expert Chris Quigley



We have started this half term by having a Science week and Monday was packed with exciting activities. Highly Sprung Theatre Company, came into school and worked in KS2 classes and gave an assembly on Light, Forces, Movement and Electricity to y1- y6. Year 5 learned all about the scientific discoveries of Isaac Newton. They especially enjoyed exploring ideas on gravity.



Rockets preparing to off from the launch pad



Travelling through space

Learning that objects continue moving unless a force is applied.



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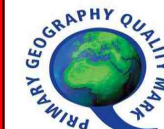
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School Award  
2010-2013



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**The Highly Sprung Team in Assembly**



**Party protons moving around inside an atom!**



**Demonstrating Sound travelling through air**



**Demonstrating Sound travelling through water**



**Whose hair shall we use to demonstrate Static Electricity by rubbing it with a balloon?**



**Look, it works! The balloon is attached to the board**

**In class 2 children carried out an investigation into whether you could change the shape of play dough, a stone and some paper by rolling, squeezing, stretching or pushing it.**





## **New Information and Diary Reminders**

Living Eggs are coming into school on Monday. They will be kept in the Reception class area. All children in the school will have the chance to see the eggs and watch them hatch.

### **Secondary School Places**

Information offering Secondary school places goes home today for pupils in year 6. Places must be accepted by 15th March.

### **Monday 4th March**

PTA meeting at 9.00am. All parents and carers are welcome to this meeting to share ideas about possible future events.

### **Wednesday 6th March**

Year 1 agility morning at Champion School. Year one will be going to Champion school for a P.E activity morning. Please send your child to school in his/her P.E Kit with a drink and his/her uniform in a bag. Thank you.

### **Thursday 7th March**

Year 4 trip to Oxford

### **Friday 8th March**

World Book Day. Children and staff will be dressing up as their favourite characters and parading in assembly. 50p towards school fund please. The PTA will be presenting books in assembly which they have bought from the proceeds of their fundraising.

### **Saturday 9th March**

#### **Gardening**

**10-12.00.** We would be delighted if parents and carers could join us to do some clearing work in the school garden or start digging the allotment. Please come prepared for gardening and stay for as long as you can. Even half an hour's work would help. Children welcome on the allotment patch, but must be accompanied and supervised by their parents.

#### **Jumble Sale**

**10.30-12.30** The PTA are holding a Jumble Sale in the school hall. All welcome

### **Monday 11th March**

We are inviting Mothers, Grandmothers or other female family and friends of children in the Reception class to Mother's day lunch (see separate letter)

### **Urgent notice from the School Office**

Dinner Money: The school office regularly has to chase some parents for outstanding dinner money. This is very time consuming. Please can you help us by ensuring that any money is paid in advance or on the day that the meal is requested. As we are now approaching the end of the financial year it is essential that all money is in school when requested.

Kiran and Sarah are attending training every Friday until the Easter holidays. Please remember that Deb will be on her own in the school office on that day.