

Edna G Olds Academy

A L.E.A.D. Academy

13th May 2016

Dear Parent/Carer,

This half term has been a busy one so far, and I have thoroughly enjoyed hearing the positive feedback children have given, in relation to the varied learning experiences that have taken place. Pupils have loved the opportunity to learn away from school too during trips and visits. The Pupil Voice Council have been busy working with each class to organise a Fair Trade themed day which will culminate in a Fair Trade sale on Friday 20th May, 3:15pm. Each class will be selling products that they have made so please come and join us for this special event.

Y4 Contemporary Exhibition—British Values

Working alongside an artist from the Nottingham Contemporary Gallery, the children in Year 4 have completed some art work as part of the David Ross Creative Schools Programme. Our children have produced work which is inspired by our British Values curriculum as well as the 'Moments Should Not Be Trusted' exhibition they visited.

The children created sculptures which were then photographed and put on display in the following local businesses and shops: L.E.A.D Offices (The Rope Walk), Sainsburys on Lenton Boulevard, Sainsburys on Derby Road, Tesco on Willouby Street, Lorna Florist on Lenton Boulevard, Focus Gallery on Derby Road, Tim Fosters Hairdressers on Derby Road. Over this weekend 14th and 15th May, the art work is on display at the Contemporary Gallery and is open to parents and other visitors.

Planting Vegetables—Eco Council

On Friday 6th May 2016, Eco-council planted courgettes, cabbage and beetroot in the vegetable beds on the KS2 playground. It is important that we water the vegetables every day, and dig up any weeds. We are looking forward to eating the vegetables as part of our school dinners next half term.

Contrasting Locations—Maryam—Y3 Trip to Sherwood Pines/ Vicar Water Country Park

On 28th April, we visited Clipstone Mining Village and Sherwood Pines. We wanted to learn about Nottinghamshire. We climbed a hill to see the mining headstocks at Clipstone. They were used for digging up coal, but they closed in 2003. The headstocks were left up as a reminder of the industry that was once there. People (like us!) are always very interested to see them. They were so impressive that we sketched them on paper. As well as that, we learnt how to read maps. By finding where North was, we worked out where we were on the map.

Then, we went to Sherwood Pines to meet Lindsey the Ranger, who works for the Forestry Commission. She told us lots about trees and she was very intelligent. We used our learning to identify different trees. I identified a silver birch tree.

This was a very useful trip for our learning. We now know a lot more about how landscapes can change over time.

Parent Community Event—26th May 9am

We would like to invite parents/carers to a coffee morning on Thursday 26th May at 9am. There has been a fantastic turn out for our previous coffee mornings and we look forward to welcoming you into school. We would really like to utilise your skills and work experience within school, so if you have any ideas about how you could support our children's learning through your own profession or expertise, we will really appreciate you sharing your ideas.



Attenborough Nature Reserve—Ethan —Y5

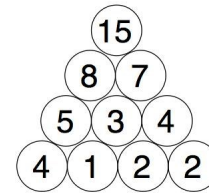
On Thursday 5th may year 5 visited Attenborough nature reserve. When we arrived, we went in to the centre. Leaving our bags and coats, we walked to the meadows for our first activity. Our rangers, Jean, Andrew, Rachel and Trevor gave us our instructions. Using a variety of weather recording instruments we recorded: the brightness of the sun; the direction and speed of the wind; the level of rainfall and the temperature (which was 17°C). We discussed how from 1950 the temperatures had risen each year. After lunch we dissected owl pellets, finding out about the different animals that they eat. We then went pond dipping where we had the opportunity to look at the different wildlife living in 'Church Pond'.

We really enjoyed the whole day at Attenborough Nature Reserve and all of us learnt lots of new information to help us with our geography work.

Maths Challenge—Making 15 -by Miss Hopkin

Start with any 4 numbers (not zero) on the bottom row. Add them together to make the number above and so on until you reach the top.

E.g.



How many ways can you find to make 15 the top number?



Headteacher's Award:



Swans:	Corey	for confidently finding 2 less than different numbers up to 20.
	Sama	for gaining confidence in speaking in English.
Yr 1:	Amina	for trying hard to improve her writing.
	Daniyal	for great participation in guided reading this week.
Yr 2:	Areebah	for outstanding effort in maths this week.
	Tyrese	for trying really hard with his handwriting and presentation.
Yr 3:	Nisaath	for working hard to improve her SPaG skills.
	Mohammed	for a huge improvement in his English work.
Yr 4:	Ibrahim Zarafat	for thinking carefully when editing a piece of work.
	Aliya	for excellent work on converting measures using the strategy shown well.
Yr 5:	Sam Elliot	for asking lots of questions and showing great enthusiasm during the trips this week.
	Fadak	for showing a huge improvement in her swimming despite being very nervous to begin with .
Yr 6:		for a fantastic effort with SATs. We're so proud of you all.

Very kind regards

Mrs Pemberton

Beat the Street - Ice Skating Leaflet

Please see the attached leaflet for information regarding an ice skating offer using your Beat the Street card.

CHEAP ICE SKATING FOR BEAT THE STREET CARD HOLDERS 27 APRIL – WED 8 JUNE 2016



**National
Ice Centre**



**You can skate at the National Ice Centre for just £3.50 (normally £8.50)
when you show your Beat The Street Card!**

Make sure you tap Beat Box 167 (Lamppost leading from Goose Gate to Woolpack Lane) when you come ice skating to earn points!

The offer will give the cardholder and one guest discounted access to ice skating (price includes skate hire). Offer is available from 27th April and finishes on 8th June 2016 – the offer does not include for themed or foam parties.