

Dear Parent/Carer,

We wanted to take this opportunity to thank you for all your support during this half term. It has been lovely to see so many parents attending the community groups in school, sharing their ideas and thoughts. This really helps us to improve our school. A huge thank you also to the parents who visited classrooms during World Book Day, to share their favourite stories with the children. The children loved hearing the different tales—super!

Year 3 parents have been involved with Miss Griffith's class and designed a meal for the school, using their understanding of their most recent science topic about healthy eating.

It was fantastic to see so many of you attend our Easter Concert, we are really proud of all the children's performances. Their incredible skills and talents in music, singing and drama just go from strength to strength—great!

We hope you enjoyed a wonderful Easter weekend and wish you a restful break with your families.

Please note, school re-opens 18th April 2016.

### A Menu Created By Year 3

On Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March, some parents came to help Class 3 to plan our menu. Dawn is going to make the things that we have planned for everyone in the whole school! My mummy came to help and we talked about the foods that you should eat plenty of because they are so healthy. We also looked at foods that are not so healthy - because they have sugar in them. We had to decide what Dawn should cook for our lunch and it made me feel excited! – Maryam

My mum came to help us to decide the menu for the last day of term. I was really happy that my mum came because we got to share our ideas. I liked that she got to see my learning in school and join in the fun and the activities – Jayden

### Green Day—By Jace Year 5

On 24<sup>th</sup> March the whole school took part in green day where each class was learning about how to look after the environment better. In year 1 they were learning about wildlife and year 2 learnt about waste. Year 3 learnt about affordable and clean energy whilst year 4 spent time looking at deforestation. Climate change was studied in year 5 and year 6 were learning about sustainability. During the afternoon all of the classes gathered together in order to share all of their learning about the different aspects of green topics.

### Easter Activities

KS1 pupils had the opportunity to participate in a range of Easter activities run by Reverend Megan. The children enjoyed learning about the reasons why Christians celebrate Easter.



### Health & Wellbeing

We are encouraging children, as we always do, to ensure they always wash their hands before eating, and especially after using the toilet. We are focusing on hygiene at the moment due to an increased number of viruses around school, at this time. We would appreciate your support with this and ask that you encourage your child to understand the importance of washing hands. Thank you so much for your support.



### British Science Week By Saif Ali Year 5

On 16<sup>th</sup> March, pupils at the school were fortunate enough to take part in a science day at the school, as part of British Science week. Each class had a different topic that was based around the theme of space. The different topics were: built space, open space, digital space, personal space and outer space.

### Easter Bonnet Parade

On Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> March Edna G. Olds Academy held an Easter Bonnet Parade. It was lovely to see so many children coming to school with their fabulous Easter bonnets. It was clear that a lot of time and effort had gone into making/decorating them. In front of lots of parents and carers, the children paraded around the playground and lined up ready to hear who was the winner in each class. The winners all received an Easter egg which had been kindly donated by Tesco. Thankyou to everyone who took part, it was eggpecially great!

The winners from each class were:

Nursery- Inês

Reception- James Elliot

Year 1 - Joseph

Year 2 - Sam

Year 3 - Georgia

Year 4 - Agar

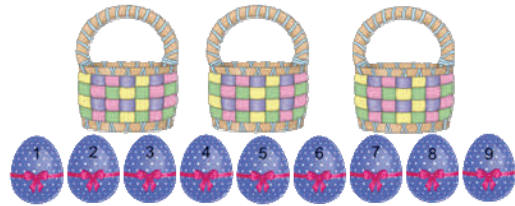
Year 5 - Sam Elliot

### Maths Challenge by Miss Hopkin

Put nine eggs, numbered 1-9, in three baskets.

The total of the numbers on the eggs in each basket must be the same.

How many ways can you do it?



### Sport Relief—By Kazim Khan Year 5

On 18<sup>th</sup> March 2016, the school took part in helping to raise money for sports relief. Children paid 50p to come to school dressed in sports clothing; there were some really great outfits! Throughout the day, the children took part in a measured run around the playground. KS1 had to run half a mile and KS2 ran a mile! It was great to see the children persevering when they were getting tired. Thank you for all the sponsorships. We managed to raise over £600! - Great!

### Football Tournaments—By Sam Coss Year 5

On the 11<sup>th</sup> March a group of children went to a football tournament at Nottingham High School, where ten teams were competing to try and win. Altogether our team played 5 matches. We drew our opening match and narrowly lost the next few meaning we went into a playoff for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> place. After two well worked goals Edna G Olds ended up winning their final game 2-0. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon and hope to be able to win more matches in the future.



### Headteacher's Award:



Swans:	Corey	for being a positive role model to the younger children.
	Zoe	for increasing confidence in reorganising and adding numbers.
Yr 1:	Salma	for brilliant work on multiplication arrays.
	Mohammed	for approaching all of his work with confidence and enthusiasm.
Yr 2:	Ahmed	for always demonstrating a positive, enthusiastic attitude towards his learning.
	Maryam	for showing great enthusiasm during her maths lessons.
Yr 3:	Jayden	for demonstrating superb focus in English.
	Ruby	for persevering in maths.
Yr 4:	Ibrahim Nissar	for working hard to learn to play new songs on the recorder for the performance.
	Adell	for creating interesting shapes with lines of symmetry.
Yr 5:	Sam Coss	for using some excellent description in his English.
	Sam /Jace	for working well together to expand their vocabulary.
Yr 6:	Fatima	for her fantastic contribution to the newspaper this week.
	Ahmed	for increasing confidence and using his initiative in maths.

Wishing all our families a wonderful Easter holiday. We look forward to welcoming you back to school on Monday 18th April 2016.

Very kind regards

**Mrs Pemberton**