



# The Anchor News

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24th June 2016

**Don't Forget - SCHOOL CLOSED - Monday 27th June**

Hello,

My name is Mrs Webster and I am the Year 1 teacher, however at the moment I am teaching in Year 5, so if you see me in Key Stage Two please say hello. This year has been my first at St. Clement's and I have enjoyed getting to know the children and parents in the school.

Throughout this year children in Year 1 classes in Nechells and Aston schools have received a free book every month (10 books in total). These books were supplied by the Nechells POD CIC through the Bookshare project, funded by the Smurfit Kappa SSK Foundation.

On Thursday Year 1 attended a celebration at Heartlands Academy. We heard stories from the author Steve Smallmann who wrote one of the books we have been given, 'Batmouse' and heard how each school have incorporated the books into the children's learning.

Have a great weekend and see you next week.

Mrs Webster - Year 1 Teacher



## Health for Life

On Monday 20th June Mrs Hall, Mrs Sheckler and 4 children from Years 1 and 2 went to the Edgbaston Cricket Ground for a Health for Life in primary schools event.

Here we were able to show off some of the skills we have learnt at the 'Let's Get Cooking' after school cooking club and have a look at some of the things some other school involved in the scheme have been getting up too. We made our Thai Noodle Salad and had lots of comments about our safe knife techniques and lots of staff and children took the recipe and Mrs Hall's handy tips away to use in their schools.

We hope to have more to show off at next year's event. We even got to try some of the cooking from other schools, but we were the only school to make our food while we were there!

Mrs Hall - Year 3 Teacher



# NON UNIFORM DAY

## Friday 1st July 2016

You may be aware that in the past as a school we have worked in Malawi and raised funds to support those who are less fortunate than ourselves.

This year is the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Birmingham Diocese - Malawi link and to show our support of all the great work which is done to help schools in Malawi, we at St. Clement's will have a non-school uniform day on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July 2016.

All children will be asked to pay £1.00 to come to school in their own bright and vibrant clothes (representing the vibrant fashion which can be found in Malawi). All proceeds will be sent to the Diocese to help support schools in Malawi.

Thank you for your continued support and help to make a difference.

Miss M<sup>c</sup>Causland - Year 6 Teacher



**Storytime**  
 Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2016  
 Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2016  
 Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2016  
**From 4.00pm to 5.00pm at:**  
 The POD, 28 Oliver Street,  
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For more information please see posters in Parent Display boards or pick up a flyer from the Office



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# Fun for all at Sports Day



Last week we held our sports day for the second time at Sutton Athletics track with all classes taking part this year, including Nursery for the first time which was great to see. Thankfully the weather held off and we had a fantastic day.



I'd like to say a big Thank You to all the parents for coming and supporting our children throughout the day. The children had a great time overall taking part in many events including running, throwing and jumping. Each child represents 1 of the 4 Harry Potter houses and were trying to earn points for their house to win the Sports House Cup. If you asked some of the children what the best part of the day was, it's a mixture, however you won't be surprised when most of them claim it was the ice cream at lunchtime!



Overall the day was a great success and classes eagerly await the results from the day which will be announced in the end of year award assembly where they will find out who has won the Sports House Cup this year.

Mr Burton - Sports Co-Ordinator

## STAR PUPILS

Nursery	Deeya Muthafaar	
Recep	Alisha Nottingham-Miah	Sulaiman Islam
	Tia'Riah Copeland	Ayaan Khawaja
	Jayden Geoghegan	Adam Ibrahim
	Owais Mohammed	Shanti Khan
	Mohammed Ali	Daniel Walcott-Dennis
	Inaiya Imran	Qasim Sajad
	Mahee Hamsa Mohammed	Laila Ishaq
Sports	Hiba Akhter	Tyler Billingham-Roberts

## Book Fair - All Next Week....

Tuesday 28th/Wednesday 29th/Thursday 30th  
Mornings and Afternoons  
Friday - MORNING ONLY



## Year 3 get a little wet!



As part of our topic 'Flow' Year 3 visited Beacon Park, Lichfield. We had a great day with Ruth the Ranger observing, sampling and measuring Leomonsley Brook.

After meeting Ruth, we split into three groups and started our activities.

Those of us with Wellies were allowed into the brook to help Mrs Hall measure the width and depth of the brook, we had to convert the cm to metres too!

We then had to measure the temperature of the water and the last part was the most fun. To measure how fast the brook was flowing we played the traditional game of Pooh Sticks but with dog biscuits - a modern twist!

We also measured how clean the water was, as this would tell us how well plants would grow. The more circles we could see at the bottom of the container, the cleaner the water was.

Next, we went pond dipping with Ruth to take samples of the different creatures living in the brook. We dragged a net in the water and then emptied our nets into a tray, we then used an identification chart to help us identify the things we had caught. We managed to catch and observe; snails, caddis fly larvae, fresh water shrimp, tadpoles and water mites. It was great fun and really interesting to see what lives below the surface of the water.

Miss Groom and her group looked at the trees along the river bank and identified them from an identification key. There were eight different trees alongside the river. Why not ask Year 3 to see if they can name them?

Overall a great day was had by all.

Mrs Hall and Miss Groom

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