



Fortnightly Bulletin

Welcome to Issue 117 of the Fortnightly Bulletin.

The next issue (Issue 118) will be out on Friday 3rd March. This is the last Fortnightly Bulletin before the February half-term break! The Year 6 pupils will be heading off on their Kingswood residential after half-term so look out for photos coming soon.

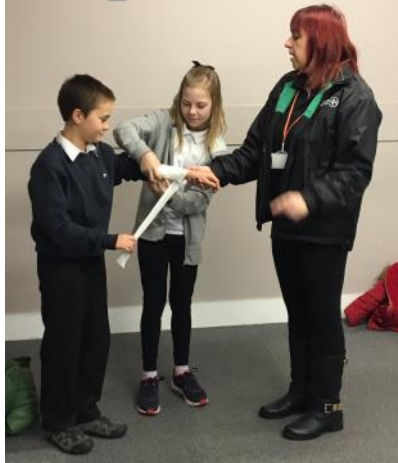
THE CRUCIAL CREW

On Thursday 2nd February, Y6 went on a trip to the Lifewise Centre in Rotherham to take part in the Crucial Crew programme. The Lifewise Centre is an interactive learning centre for South Yorkshire communities, developed by South Yorkshire Police and South Yorkshire Fire and Rescue. Featuring a purpose-built set, it is used to educate visitors about safety and citizenship with the ultimate aim of reducing crime and improving quality of life.

The pupils completed training in road safety, fire safety, online safety, anti-bullying awareness, first aid and personal safety. The training was fun and engaging and included a Magistrates Court scenario and a bus scenario where a pupil from each group was nominated to be the driver!

We had a great day out and all the children got involved with the role plays and activities.

Jess Archer (UKS2 Phase Leader)





w/c 16.01.2017

WEEKLY HOUSE POINT TOTALS

EARTH : 231
MARS : 220
NEPTUNE : 212
JUPITER : 211

w/c 23.01.2017

WEEKLY HOUSE POINT TOTALS

NEPTUNE : 261
MARS : 244
EARTH : 211
JUPITER : 172

THE GREAT BRITISH **spring clean**

As part of the **Great British Spring Clean** organised by Keep Britain Tidy, Green Team members got to work tidying parts of school. Staff were asked to suggest jobs which were suitable for the children to help with and then, throughout last week, the children were deployed to the member of staff who showed them what they needed doing. Carmen was particularly impressed with the children who helped organise the cotton reels and other haberdashery in the art stock room!



Thank you, Green Team, you've definitely made Malin Bridge Primary School a tidier place to be!

SCHOOL PARKING

In FB115 we included an article about hazardous parking around school, particularly in regards to parking on Meredith Road. Unfortunately, we have also been made aware that parking on Hibberd Place is also becoming unsafe and causing inconvenience to residents as cars are being left in places which block the view up Dykes Lane. Please park responsibly or, where possible, walk to school to avoid unnecessary congestion on the neighbouring roads. Thank you, again, for your cooperation and understanding in this matter.

Robbie McGrath

WWF TIGER COMPETITION



As well as all their hard work in our school environment, some members of Green Team have also been busy writing beautiful 500-word, short stories about the tiger which appears in the WWF advert (you can watch it at www.wwf.org.uk/littletigers).

The stories could either be about the tiger's life before it was wounded and meets the family or about its journey after it leaves its family. The children have come up with some wonderful stories full of adventure and lots of emotion and we have submitted them all into the WWF competition. We hope to hear the results soon and will keep you updated. Hopefully, there will be a Malin Bridge winner this year!

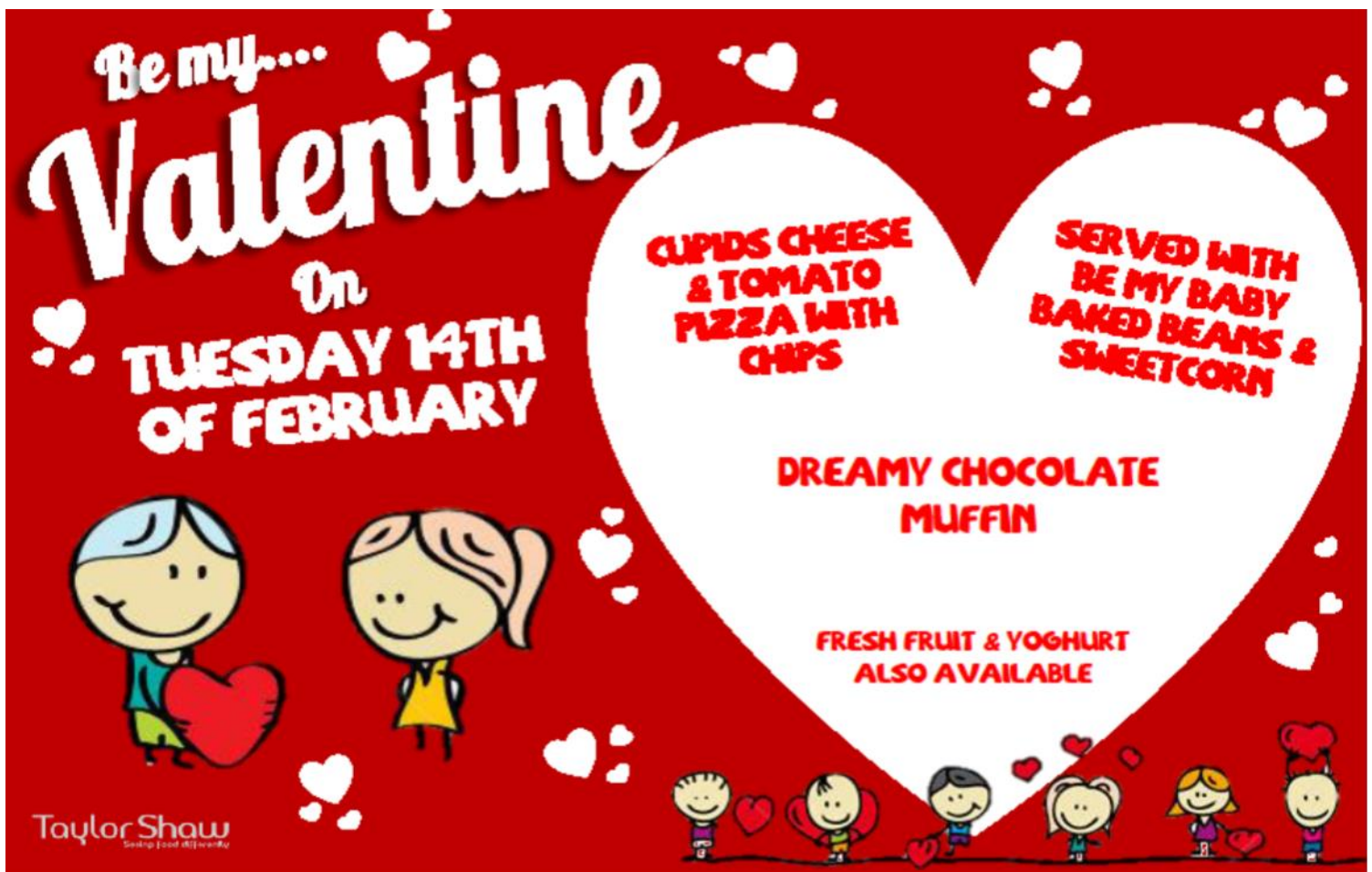
Grace Turner (Eco-Schools Co-ordinator)

GARDEN ACTION TEAM

For the last year, come rain or shine, a group of children has been helping with gardening jobs such as regularly watering the raised beds, clearing out dead leaves and plants, and planting bulbs.

Our School Council encourages children to form their own clubs or 'Action Teams' and Tyrese (5OB), Jack (5OB), Finlay (5L), Alfie (5L), Isobel (5OB) and Kirsty (5OB) have formed our first; the Garden Action Team! It has been a great success so far and we hope to see more Action Teams at Malin Bridge soon. If your child is interested in starting one, please ask them to speak to their class School Councillors or Carmen.

Carmen Kalnars (School Council Leader)



Be my...
Valentine
On
**TUESDAY 14TH
OF FEBRUARY**

**CUPIDS CHEESE
& TOMATO
PIZZA WITH
CHIPS**

**SERVED WITH
BE MY BABY
BAKED BEANS &
SWEETCORN**

**DREAMY CHOCOLATE
MUFFIN**

**FRESH FRUIT & YOGHURT
ALSO AVAILABLE**

Taylor Shaw
Setting food for thought

ATTENDANCE LETTERS

We are aware that there have been lots of illnesses doing the rounds over the winter period and this has affected school's overall attendance. In order to support parents in understanding their child's attendance percentage, we will be sending a sealed letter home on Monday to all parents and carers where attendance is below the school target of 96.4%. When attendance is below the school average we believe children could be in danger of their attendance dropping below 90% which would lead to them being classified as being persistently absent and result in involvement from the local authority. If you receive one on these letters please do not be alarmed, in most instances there will be legitimate reasons for absence. However, we felt it was important to share this information in case there are any issues causing it which we may be able to support you with. We have chosen to send these letters at this point to give parents/carers the opportunity to discuss any issues during Parents Evenings after the half-term break.

Robbie McGrath



STANDARD SETTERS

Well done to everyone who has achieved a certificate over the last two weeks. The Creative Colourers have not only shown creativity in art subjects but in all aspects of their learning. The children with the Spirit of the Iguana have shown resilience and overcome obstacles.

27.01.17 - Creative Colourers	
FS2 BG	Georgette
FS2 I	Emmy
FS2 TL	Caleb & Kairo
1C	Finn
1M	Carson
1/2S	Joseph
2HS	Gabriela
2V	Jorja



3CC	Rebecca
3GS	Oliver
3/4H	Bradley
4R	Aidan
4TG	Isobel
5OB	Jack
5L	Isobel
5/6W	Logan
6A	Nayagan
6D	Jessie

03.02.17 - Spirit of the Iguana	
FS2 BG	Zack
FS2 I	Amelia
FS2 TL	Frankie
1C	Joel
1M	George
1/2S	Olivia
2HS	Lily
2V	Lewis



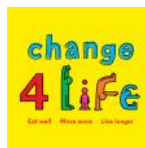
3CC	Dylan
3GS	Owen
3/4H	Sienna
4R	Issobelle
4TG	Inaya
5OB	Lilia
5L	Riley
5/6W	Sarah
6A	Luke
6D	Olivia

C4L CHAMPIONS

Recently, a group of Year 5 pupils were chosen to become Change4Life Champions. Their role is to support their peers in leading healthy, active lives and to be Healthy, Active Lifestyle Ambassadors for our school.

Earlier in the week, our Change4Life Champions gave an assembly to the Year 3 and 4 pupils about healthy living and what they've got planned for their peers in the coming months. Well done to Olivia (5/6W), Alex (5/6W), Daniel (5/6W), Kirsty (5OB), Sarah (5/6W), Solly (5/6W), Robbie (5/6W) and Libby (5/6W); you did really well!

Steve Green (PE Co-ordinator)



ASSEMBLY





PTA UPDATE

Hi! Thank you for all your donations to the Firefighters Collection. The February Lottery Draw is happening next week and there are cash prizes to be won and a bonus prize - tickets to the Last Laugh Comedy Club!

Carol Lynn (Vice Chair of the PTA)

NEXT PTA MEETING

Monday 13th March
(6.30pm - Staff Room)

PTA EVENTS

Friday 17th February February Lottery Draw
Friday 17th March 3.30pm-4.30pm : Infant Disco / 5pm-6pm : Junior Disco
Monday 3rd / Tuesday 4th April Y4 Show

EASY FUNDRAISING

Did you know, if you shop online you could be raising money for school at the same time without it costing you a penny extra?

Sign up today selecting *Malin Bridge PTA* as your cause...

www.easyfundraising.org.uk



THANK YOU

FOR ALL YOUR DONATIONS TO THE FIRE FIGHTERS COLLECTION. WE RAISED £85.20 FOR SCHOOL AND £17.30 FOR THE FIREFIGHTERS CHARITY.

THE NEXT COLLECTION WILL BE ON WEDNESDAY 24TH MAY.

The PTA needs your help!

Discos
What about selling disco tickets in March? Just come in 5 minutes earlier at school drop off, sell tickets and leave before 9am. Or come along and support at the discos!

Y4 shows
The Y4 shows are great chance to see some young talented actors and actresses. But we also need help both nights (Monday 3rd & Tuesday 4th April) from 6pm to sell snacks and drinks before the shows and in the interval.

Every little helps. Without our volunteers support we cannot run the PTA and fundraise. If you can help, please let us know: pta@malinbridge.sheffield.sch.uk