



Fortiter et Suaviter

## Diary Dates:

- Senior Sports Day on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> July, 1.00–4.10pm at TVAC
- Senior Prize Giving on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> July at 2.00pm

## Uniform Shop Summer Holidays 2010 Opening Hours

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July 11am–3pm  
Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July 11am–3pm  
Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> September 11–3pm  
Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 11–3pm

## Years 1 and 2 visit Pizza Express and Windsor Castle

On Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June, Year 1 and Year 2 had a wonderful day out. First, we visited Pizza Express where the chef, Ziggy, **helped us to make our own pizzas.** We had to flatten and shape the dough, then



spread on the tomato paste and finally we added lots of delicious ingredients to make our pizzas extra yummy! The best part was that we all got to sit and enjoy our pizzas after making them – they were delicious!

Then we made our way to the Education Room at Windsor Castle where we enjoyed an interesting talk about the castle and its history. Saskia became a court jester, Rachel and Alfie tried on some chainmail and Sasha became a knight in shining armour! After our talk we went to look at **the 'Dolls' House' and were all amazed at** how big it is and at all the wonderful miniature detail. We also looked around the State Apartments and then were lucky

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## Cake sale raises an amazing £168

Lizzie Stevens, Shaunagh McSweeney and Hafsa Hussain, Year 6, organised a cake sale to raise money for the RSPCA.

The girls raised awareness of the animals that are rescued and taken care of by the RSPCA and explained what our money could buy.

**"It was great to give something back to society."** said Lizzie

The girls said it felt good to be helping animals in need and they would like to say a big thank you to everyone who contributed by bringing in cakes.

Mrs Jo Perrett, Year 6 Class Teacher



## Life in Mexico

Year 2 have been learning all about life in Mexico and on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> June they went to cook Chicken Fajitas with Miss Parker and Miss Wright in the Senior Home Economics room.

The children thoroughly enjoyed carefully chopping up all the ingredients and then adding the different spices! Once the fajitas were cooked there was great excitement as they each got to try a bit. The overall verdict was that they were delicious.

Olé Olé!!



**enough to see one of the Queen's corgis in the distance.**

The final part of our day was an art activity where we had to decorate a castle. This was great fun and a wonderful end to a very exciting day!

Miss Karen Wright, Year 2 Class Teacher



The Year 2s have also been showing off their creative talents by decorating Mexican style masks. The Horta family, who the class have been studying as part of their Geography topic, are experts at mask making so the Year 2s wanted to try their hands at it too! The children used mostly lines and dots to decorate their masks as this is typically Mexican in style. I was very impressed with their end results and the effort that they put in! Well done Year 2.

Miss Karen Wright, Year 2 Class Teacher



**New Books**

If you are a big fan of Anthony Horowitz then you will be pleased to know the library now has the first four volumes of his series *The Power of Five* - a story of the supernatural suitable for eight years and above. The titles include *Raven's Gate*, *Evil Star*, *Night Rise* and, the most recent adventure, *Necropolis*.

**Summer Reading Challenge 2010**

The annual Summer Reading Challenge is now in its 10<sup>th</sup> year. For 2010 the challenge takes on a space theme with **'Space Hop'**. The activity is open to all primary school children and for those aged 10-12 years there is SPACE HOP : THE NEXT FRONTIER, as you move up into the senior school.

What do we need to do? Just pop along to your local public library and **sign up for the challenge**. It's free and each child will receive a membership card and poster: then

just start reading. All types of books including fact, fiction, joke books, even audio books, are eligible. All children who finish the challenge will receive a certificate.

For further details parents can download a leaflet about the challenge at <http://www.summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/Family%20Leaflet.pdf> or see the posters around school.

**Waterstones Big Book Bank**

The Big Book Bank is back. This year we have been inviting pupils from Years 3 to 6 to choose a library book, read it and then write a short book review. In exchange they will receive a voucher to use at Waterstones book shops. Although we are nearing the end of the school year do please encourage your daughter to take part and finish their book reviews. It would be great to know all pupils from Years

3 to 6 participated and have taken advantage of the opportunity to choose a book to read over the long summer holiday.



Pupils with their Big Book Bank contributions

**Reminder:**

All library books to be returned by 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2010.

Thank you.

## Natural History Museum, Eton

On Thursday, 17<sup>th</sup> June, Years 5 and 6 visited the Natural History Museum in Eton which is part of Eton College.



The pupils received a warm welcome from the curator of the museum, Mr George Fussey. He made us aware of the special architectural features which indicated that the building was used to hold animal collections and

that it was built in Victorian Times. We spotted stone sculptures of birds and bats and other animals. A beautiful stained glass window featured ten different birds.

The morning was then split into three sessions. The students discussed the five vertebrate groups and their features, and learned about forest animals and how they adapt to survive winter conditions. They also looked at prehistoric animals and endangered species, and talked about conservation.

Three Eton College Science teachers looked after us and everybody enjoyed the outing very much. Of course, the most amazing exhibits were the two faced cat and the four footed duck.

The Museum is open to the public on Sunday afternoons from 14.30 until 17.00 during Eton College term-time only. There is no admission charge.

***"My favourite part of the day was when we looked at the two faced cat. I really enjoyed learning about the different birds. I will come again."***  
Amrit, Year 6

***"I really enjoyed learning about the forest animals surviving winter."***  
Hannah J, Year 6

***"My favourite part was when we looked at the duck with the four feet."***  
Romina, Year 5

**Term Dates:****Summer Term 2010**

Term begins: Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> April

Bank Holiday: Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May

Half-Term: Monday 31<sup>st</sup> May to Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June

Term ends: Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> July (12.00 noon)

**Parents' Day:** Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> July (8.30am to 4.00pm)

**Autumn Term 2010**

Term begins: Monday 6<sup>th</sup> September

Half-Term: Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> to Friday 29<sup>th</sup> October

Term Ends: Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> December (3.30pm)

**Parents' Day:** Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> December (8.00am to 1.00pm)

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