

Last week at Downsell

Remembrance Day

On Friday 11th November, all classes held an assembly to discuss the meaning of Remembrance Day. The children discussed the importance of the 11th hour on the 11th day of the 11th month and why we wear poppies on this day to remember those that gave their lives to make the world a better place for us.



All children from Nursery to Year 6 had the opportunity to take part in a sports session with our Sports for School's Athlete – Frederick Afrifa (International Sprinter).



Please remember to complete your child's sponsorship form and return it to the school office.

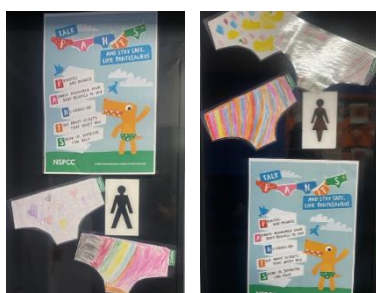
NSPCC PANTS

All children took part in the NSPCC's Speak out. Stay Safe assembly.

As part of this Year 1 and Year 2 had their class session about how to keep themselves safe – NSPCC's Pants.

Please do continue to discuss this with your child, using the resources provided as it is essential that they have the knowledge and vocabulary to keep themselves safe.

The children decorated their own colourful 'pants' as a visual reminder of the lesson. We have displays in classrooms and the Key Stage 1 toilets to further remind them.



Our attendance meetings with parents / carers have started for this half term.

If you have been sent an invite letter please do attend the meeting, as it is a way to discuss how we can support you and your child to improve their attendance. If you are unable to attend, please do get in touch to make another appointment.

We would like to remind you that if your child's attendance is significantly below our school target, then any further absences may not be authorised and this may lead to a referral to our local authority attendance officer.

Please have a look at our website for more information about attendance at Downsell. You will find the attendance policy for children and adults.

Reminders

Events coming up

Friday 18th November:

Children in Need (non-uniform day) - £1 donation

2pm - Anti-bullying assembly – all parents / carers welcome

Tuesday 22nd November:

NSPCC workshop for Years 5 and 6 (in school)

Thursday 24th November:

9 – 9.30am Reading Breakfast (EYFS and Key Stage 1)

Friday 25th November

9 – 9.30am Reading Breakfast (Key Stage 2)

Coffee Morning

Wednesday 16th November at Downsell Primary School

SEND Coffee Morning – Ruth Edmans

Ruth is the SEND Case Officer for Downsell Primary School. She has the role of overseeing that the correct support is given to the students that have an Educational Healthcare Plan (EHCP). Ruth's role also entails supporting families accessing the correct services within the local authority.

Please do attend if your child has an EHCP.

Leyton and Stratford Football Coaching Course

Leyton and Stratford Football coaching are offering our school 10 free places!

Every child will receive a registration form from school. If you would like to sign your child up, complete the form and take it to register them. When you go for registration, please let them know that your child is from Downsell Primary. The first 10 to register will receive a free place for their child.



For all our budding scientists – give this a try!

**HOME ACTIVITY
FIREWORK IN A JAR.**

As it was Bonfire night in the UK, you can try this safe firework activity at home with your parents and carers.

WHAT YOU NEED TO MAKE A FIREWORK IN A JAR

- A tall jar
- Warm water
- Oil
- Food colouring

HOW TO MAKE A FIREWORK IN A JAR

- Fill the jar about $\frac{3}{4}$ full of warm water and then add a layer of oil.
- Carefully drop the food colouring into the oil.
- Watch what happens!

MRS ABDI AND MISS KHATUN

Year Group News

Each week we will be celebrating the learning taking place in different year groups.

This week we are celebrating the learning that took place Year 1 and Year 6!

Year 1

Year 1 really enjoyed taking part in Sports for Schools with our athlete!



Year 6



Frederick Afrifa

Year 6 had the fantastic opportunity to take part in various exercise circuits led by national gold medallist Frederick Afrifa. Frederick is an International Sprinter and is a two time national gold medallist. He even attempted the show Ninja Warriors.

We were in complete awe of Frederick and will always remember his key advice - "KEEP MOVING FORWARD!"

Attendance Celebration

Our school target for all of our pupils is 96%.

Our attendance overall for last week (07.11.11 – 14.11.22) was 92% (Year 1 to Year 6). This is our lowest percentage attendance as a school. We only had 2 classes that met our school target. We must do better.

Class	Attendance
Y1 Hamilton	99.6%
Y6 Bolt	97.7%

South Leytonstone Consultation

HELP SHAPE THE FUTURE OF SOUTH LEYTONSTONE

Last year we asked you to tell us how to improve South Leytonstone.

We have listened and developed ideas for projects that could be delivered in your area.



Join the conversation online or by speaking to a member of the Regeneration Team at one of our pop-up sessions:

- **Wednesday 19 October:**
4pm-6.30pm at The Junction Centre, Harrow Green
- **Sunday 23 October:**
10am-1pm outside Cann Hall Park
(with free Dr Bike maintenance pop-up)
- **Wednesday 26 October:**
12pm-3pm at the Junction of Crownfield Road and Leytonstone High Road
(with free children's activity)
- **Tuesday 1 November:**
4pm-6.30pm at Leytonstone High Road Station
- **Saturday 5 November:**
11am-2pm outside the Langthorne Park main entrance
(with free Guy Fawkes activity)

Scan the QR code to have your say



<https://southleytonstoneframework.commonplace.is>

The consultation is open from **Monday 10 October to Friday 18 November 2022**

