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Newsletter

Friday 30th April 2010

Dear Families

Two fantastic achievements to report this week! Mr Ankrah completed the London Marathon in 4 hours – a superb achievement. His personal target was just to complete the course, which he achieved, and he is now determined to do it again next year, only faster!!! You will remember that this effort was in order to raise funds for a children's leukemia charity and the total so far is nearly £400.

Our second success was our Gymnastics team, who entered the Key Steps Gymnastics competition on Tuesday and, much to their surprise and delight, they won! The team will now compete in the regional final in June, representing Dartford. Azahr Magho was also awarded best overall gymnast. We are very proud of all of them.

Friends of York Road C P School

There will be a meeting of the Friends Association on Wednesday 5th May at 6.30p.m. in the school. We look forward to seeing as many parents and friends as possible so that we can plan activities to support the school. Everyone is welcome.

Parking

Please show consideration for our neighbours and other parents by parking away from driveways and the corner of Sussex Road, which becomes blocked!

Attendance and Punctuality

We are delighted that children and families have responded so positively to our punctuality drive. The amount of lateness has dropped dramatically and we are able to start learning on time. Thank you all!

Attendance winners last week were Saturn class (98.2%) and Eagles (96%). Our target is 95% and only these two classes achieved it, which is disappointing. Please make sure that your child is in school every day to maximise their learning opportunities.

School Security

In order that the school is secure during After School Clubs, we will lock the playground gates at 3.35p.m. each day. If you are still on site then (and I know lots of people like to stay and socialise) then please exit through the main school.

Class Assembly

Y5 Oak class presented their assembly to the children on Friday 30th April and will present it for parents on Wednesday 5th May at 9a.m.

Maypole Children's Centre

There will be a drop in session for advice and support on any aspect of SEN on Monday 17th May 1.30 – 3p.m. all welcome.

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Attendance was 94.3% this week. A Great Improvement. Well Done!

With best wishes

P.A.C. Haynes

Mrs P.A.C. Haynes
Advisory Headteacher

P.S. Thursday 6th May the school will be open as usual although we are also a Polling Station.