

# Tetherdown News!

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Dear Parents and Carers

Last week children were engrossed in the Maps and Mapping Week organised by teachers across the school. Children have been developing a wide range of geographical skills and knowledge using our local area, the UK and the wider world. Children even used investigative skills to map our school in search of our very own Tetherdown Tiddlers – tiny, magical people, who only come out into the school environment whilst no-one is looking! The Tiddlers were encouraged in to our school by Josie in Year 5 Chameleons, who worked tirelessly to guide them into every part of our school: Tiddlers were spotted by children in corridors, communal areas, window sills, plant pots, even the trophy cabinet! A huge thank you to Josie for all her hard work. And a big thank you to John Baird (Rachel's dad), James Denner (Sylvie's dad), Charlie Underwood (Monty's dad), Clare Moore-Bridger (Zachary's mum), Jo West (Jackson's mum) and Juliet Natali (Isobel's mum) for visiting the school to share their geographical knowledge and expertise with the children. [Click here](#) for more information on Josie's Tetherdown Tiddlers.

Sadly, we say goodbye to Ms Galedek, Administrative Assistant in the school office. Having worked with us for three years Ms Galedek has chosen to pursue her career in property management within the local area. I would like to thank Ms Galedek for her support and hard work at Tetherdown and wish her all the best in her next ventures.

**Please read through for Christmas Party dates and REMINDERS (at the bottom of the page).**

Thank you for your continuing support.

Tony Woodward  
Headteacher



## Mapping Visitor in Y5

During the talk on eBay from Clare Moore-Bridge I have learnt many things. I found it very interesting how we got to find out who had created eBay; he was called Pierre Omidyar. Pierre Omidyar does not own eBay any more, it is the people from different hotspots who are selling lots of things. Pierre was born on 21st June 1967, and Pierre is now currently 50 years old. He became a billionaire at the age of 31 with eBay's 1998 initial public offering. We also found out what the first thing sold on eBay was, it turned out to be a broken laser pointer for \$14.83. The whole idea of eBay is that people get a chance to sell things, and it is also a place where you can buy something you like or need. The hotspot in the UK is located in the East Midlands, another hotspot in Germany is in the capital city, Berlin. Also a hotspot in Italy is in a place called Campania, there is also a hotspot in France which is called Provence-Alpes-Cote d'Azur. Mapping is an extremely important thing for Clare to do because she needs to keep track of the things that are being sold on eBay.

Beatrice Y5 Chameleons

On Monday, as part of WW2 day, my great uncle David came to talk to Year 5 about his life during WW2. He told us that he was born during the Battle of Britain, that a bomb went through his family's flat during the Blitz so they moved out of London. One of his uncles was a prisoner of war and one of his aunts was evacuated. He also talked about the phoney war. I was very proud to host him at Tetherdown.

Jonathan Y5 Chameleons.



## Mapping Week

Last week was mapping week, an exciting, fun-filled week where our activities were dedicated to maps. All pupils old and young took part in all the thrilling mapping events. We would like to thank all those kind parents and relatives who have generously donated their time to come in and talked or presented something to the classes.

Firstly, on Monday morning, all students were split into their MAGIC groups and participated in a number of various activities. Each class teacher had set up a unique activity. I know for one, that as being in it; Mr Fossey's class mapped their dream classroom with a younger partner and have heard that in Ms Hughes's class made dioramas of aspects of school that help you outside of school. After lunch, all children headed back to their classes and got on with some more, amazing map-related tasks.

[Click here](#) for the full story by **By Francesca and Clara**

## Year 6 Class Assembly

Last week we were treated by Year 6 Phoenix Class to experience life in Victorian times through their lovely class assembly presentation. They demonstrated excellent ability to organise information, collaborated well to rehearse drama sketches – all led by the children, whilst being guided by the teacher. I even had some cheeky little urchins polish my shoes for me! A really nice assembly.



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### Year 3 India Assembly

On Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November, Year 3 put on a brilliant assembly about India. We danced gracefully, sang loudly and acted happily. We especially enjoyed learning Bollywood Dancing. Tom's favourite part of the assembly was when Spike acted dramatically when he pretended to die on stage. Alexander's favourite part was when we made fun of Ms Joseph in front of our parents. *We were only joking!* Sophia loved it when Tom and Johnny joked that Hinduism was even older than his dad. Jackson enjoyed arguing on stage with Theo just before Ravana was killed. All children liked saying their lines even though some of us were very nervous!

By Year 3 Parrots Class

### Christmas Jumper Day!

For a lot of Tetherdowners, Christmas is a big deal! There's lights, baubles, snowmen, Christmas trees and presents. We want it all – on a jumper! Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December is *Christmas Jumper Day*. So buy, borrow or make a fantastic, festive jumper that shows your creativity, personality and all-round wackiness! It's not just about having fun at Christmas time. It's all for a good cause too! Please bring a gold coin donation on the day and all proceeds will go to *Save the Children*. Let's make the world better with a Christmas Jumper!

### Governing Body

I would like to extend my thanks to Jon Cohen for many years support in his capacity as parent and most significantly as parent governor at Tetherdown. Jon and his family have seen four children go through the school and we have benefited enormously from his wide experience brought to the strategic direction of the work of the governing body. Jon leaves a vacancy for a parent governor which, as you will be aware, is currently open to parents to express their interests. Nominations are being received. [Click here](#) for information on the work of the governing body and how you can become involved.

I would also like to take this opportunity to welcome Drew Underwood, Co-opted Governor voted on to the governing body at our recent meeting. Drew is Deputy Head at Channing School and brings a breadth of knowledge and experience to support our continuing work toward achieving the very best standards of provision for your children.

### Internal vacancies

We are currently looking to fill vacancies for the following positions:

- SMSA (School Meals Supervisory Assistant) - lunchtimes
- Pupil Parent Link – administrative role

Please [click here](#) for further details and an application form.

**The Year 6 Maths Competition** – In the last Newsletter we informed you of the children's experience of taking part in the Young Mathematician Awards - round one of the competition. We are delighted to announce that the team won their round and are now through to the regional finals which will take place at

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If the team is successful, they will be entered in the grand final being held in Cambridge. We wish them lots of luck on their mathematical journey!

**Reception Intake 2018** - If you live in Haringey and your child was born between 1<sup>st</sup> September 2013 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2014 you will need to apply for a Reception place at infant or primary school for September 2018. You must submit your application before the deadline of 15<sup>th</sup> January 2018. If you live outside Haringey you can still apply for schools in Haringey but you must list them on the form of your own Local Authority. Application is via an on-line process and all details are available by clicking [here](#).

Please let us know if your child is due to start school in 2018. Add your child's name to the Sibling list kept in the office for children born between 01.09.13 – 31.08.14

## SEN information

For those parents interested in receiving support for children with ADHD [click here](#) for workshop information provided by Haringey Council.

## E-Safety

You may have seen news reports about inappropriate children's videos on YouTube. These are videos that, at first, appear to be for children, as they include cartoon characters such as Peppa Pig, or characters from Disney films such as Frozen. However, later on the videos become violent or disturbing. The videos can appear in YouTube search results when children look for genuine children's videos. [Click here](#) for guidance and further information on keeping your children safe from these images and videos.

## School Meals – advising Pabulum of allergies or special dietary requirements

[Click here](#) for guidance on how Pabulum can support your child with medically prescribed dietary requirements. We ask that you contact Pabulum directly should you have any queries or concerns on [parents@pabulum-catering.co.uk](mailto:parents@pabulum-catering.co.uk)

## COMMUNITY AND SPORTING NEWS

Last weekend, on Saturday, Ellie C in Year 5 participated in the Under 12s Youth Games Cross Country race at Parliament Hill, competing for Haringey. She did really well, finishing 10th overall, and 2nd in the team. She was also the youngest runner in the Haringey team. This of course is a fantastic achievement – Well Done Ellie!

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## Reminders

### Christmas Dinner

If your child would like a Christmas Dinner on **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December** please sign up in the school office by **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December**.

**Cost: £2.60 per meal payable on ParentMail**  
which will be added to your cart.

Would you like to hire our school hall for a private party? You can book your events using our Hall Hire Enquiry Forms on our website. [Click here](#) for a link to the booking form. The hall is not available for hire on Saturdays before 5pm.



### JUNIOR School Meals for Autumn Term 2017

Autumn 1  
Wednesday 6 September 2017 to  
Friday 20 October 2017 - £85.80

Autumn 2  
Monday 30 October 2017 to Thursday  
21 December 2017 - £101.40  
**Whole term - £187.20**

Please be reminded that the PANTO being organised in school is for children only.

### Class Christmas Parties

Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> December (pm)	Years 5 and 6
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> December (pm)	Years 1 and 2
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> December (pm)	Year 4 and Reception
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> December (am)	Year 3



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After a relatively quiet first half of the autumn term the PSA are now gearing up for some big events over the coming weeks that we will need your vital support to ensure their success.

**November 24<sup>th</sup> FILM NIGHT** is back with **THE FANTASTIC MR FOX**. 'never look a beagle in the eye.....' Details to follow; but rest assured there will be soft drinks and popcorn provided to a packed house of onesied children. Please make a "hefty" monetary donation to the school for your child's ticket tonight!

**Bingo Night for grown ups** is booked for Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December between 8.00 and 10.30pm in the Hall.

As we approach the Christmas season, please keep an eye out for news and requests for support from the PSA and Class Reps. Thank you in advance.

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## Breakfast Club

**Breakfast club Co-ordinator: Dianne Geen-Moore**

**Monday – Friday 07:40-08:50**

**Phone: 07580 576 147 or**

**Email: [breakfastclub@tetherdownschool.org](mailto:breakfastclub@tetherdownschool.org)  
for more information.**

## Tetherdown After School Club

**Co-ordinator: Dianne Geen-Moore (contact weekdays after 2.00pm)**

**Monday – Friday 15:30-18:00**

**Phone: 07580 576 147 or**

**Email: [afterschoolclub@tetherdownschool.org](mailto:afterschoolclub@tetherdownschool.org)**

Our staff team for 2017-18 consists of:

Glen Billey, Nadine McBean, Tanya Fenton,  
Althea Skeete and Sylvon Linton.

Glen Billey is our ASC manager. Should you have any concerns please contact him on the above email.

If you have any concerns with payments of either club please contact the Diane Geen-Moore on [breakfastclub@tetherdownschool.org](mailto:breakfastclub@tetherdownschool.org)

Click [here](#) for a list of the Lunchtime and Afterschool Clubs taking place at Tetherdown