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## Farewell assembly for our beloved GWEN's



... and finally, as many of you know, today was Gwen's last day at Stebon. After 22 years of dedicated service to our school, our pupils & our families, she is beginning her well-earned retirement. We have loved having Gwen on our team - she has brought warmth, a sense of humour, a hard-work ethic & a total commitment to giving children the very best start in life.

I am happy to say, however, that she will be coming back part time as a consultant to support Lorna and the inclusion team. I am sure you will join us in wishing her all the very best for the future.

Jeremy, Jo & Team Stebon.

It has been a great pleasure working with you and your children over the past 22 years. I have so many happy memories of all of you. I wish you all the very best for the



future and look forward to seeing you when I pop into Stebon in the future.

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#### Collaborative work Art work

On Thursday, Y3 children took part in series of workshop at the Spotlight Youth Centre to celebrate the collaboration between the schools in Poplar and the Bow Arts centre. They created spectacular collages inspired by artwork of Salvador Dali but the highlight of the afternoon was when Y5 pupils taught them how to create their own animations using the Stop Motion App. They had so much fun!



#### Visit from the London Fire Brigade

Year 2 and year 5 had a visit from а firefighter this week. They learnt about how



to stay safe in a fire and how to help their families stay safe too.

SHINE Saturday School @ Stebon has had a fantastic Spring term discovering our talents!

We've been on an outdoor adventure day, ice -skating trips, cooking pancakes on the fire outside, experimenting with dry ice, learning street dance, getting to grips with all sorts of racquet sports, singing, cooking, designing and creating an original animation using charcoal and our imaginations...And this Saturday is our last week!

If you'd like to come and celebrate our achievements, please join us for our talent show at 1.30 at Stebon Primary.



#### Thrilling Thursday—year 3

Y3 children had their first Thrilling Thursday morning with their parents. We had so much fun learning about importance of reading at home every day. We discovered some strategies to help children understand and summarise stories, and then simply enjoyed cosy reading time! Thank you to all the parents who attended and also helped with art activities to prepare our classroom for next term!

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Last week we celebrated Science Week in style.

We transformed the once mud patch into the start of a beautiful garden.

Family Science saw teams of families hunting down different types of wildlife. The lunch time lab allowed children to experiment with sand and water. We even fitted in a birthday party for the guinea pigs who have now been with us for 1 year!

Thank you to everyone who took part. Keep an eye on the garden as it continues to grow. We will be picking a winning name and wall design soon!







### **Experiments in Joy Adamson class**

Joy Adamson class experimented with electricity! They created simple circuits to power their own gadgets, then drew diagrams of how the circuits functioned.



Matilda at Stebon Primary School

On Tuesday 27th March at 2.30 pm Year 2 and 3 will be performing their amazing adaptation of Matilda the Musical. Please come



and see your wonderful children sing and perform, they've worked so hard - it's not to be missed!

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## What is SEND in schools? Taster Day

Date/Time: Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2018 from 9.15am – 12pm

## Venue: Family learning room

Do you want to find out more about SEND in schools? Come along to the taster day and learn/discover the wide range of special educational needs and disabilities that children may have.

#### Term Dates 2017-18

INSET (SCHOOL CLOSED) Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September & Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2017 School Open: Weds 6<sup>th</sup> September - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2017 Half term: Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October - Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2017 School Open: Monday 30th October - Weds 20th December 2017 INSET (SCHOOL CLOSED) Friday 3rd November 2017 Christmas Holiday: Thursday 21st Dec 2017 - Tuesday 2nd January 2018 School Open: Weds 3rd January- Friday 9th February 2018 Half term: Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February - Friday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2018 School Open: Monday 19th February - Thursday 29th March 2018 Spring Holiday: Friday 30<sup>th</sup> March - Friday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2018 School Open: Monday 16th April - Friday 25th May 2018 May Bank Holiday: Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2018 Half term: Monday 28<sup>th</sup> May 2018 - Friday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2018 School Open: Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June - Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2018 INSET (SCHOOL CLOSED) Friday 20th July, Monday 23rd & Tues day 24th July 2018 The School will be closed on Eid celebration days Eid-ul-Fitr: 15 June 2018 \*(Confirmation will be given 10 days before)

## Travelling Book Fair



to everyone who supported the Book Fair. We have raised £1259.69 at our book fair. This gives us £695.76 to spend on Books for our school.

