



# Fir Tree News

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## January 22<sup>nd</sup> 2016

Welcome to our new and improved Newsletter. This will come out every fortnight.

### Inspiring Excellence

Congratulations to these children who were last week's Gold Book Stars:

Reception – Theo Stafford and Poppy-Kay Huntley

Year 1 – Ethan Sandel and Kai Sprules

Year 2 – Nathan Lewis

Year 3 – George Cook and Beau Leishman

Year 4 – Mia Bellamy and Alfie Bartlett

Year 5 – Stephanie Collard and Kyle Logan

Year 6 – Mani Brown and Jaidee Flynn

Mr Nobes – Lewis Belfield

### Challenge

This week has been Maths Week and the children across the whole school have been taking part in all different types of maths linked to different areas of the curriculum. The main focus has been problem solving and investigations. Please have a look at our maths displays when you come to parents evening in February, they will be set up in the hall.

(Due to a full week of problem solving and investigations, Mrs Purcell is not going to be sending home a Purcell Puzzle this weekend. Look out for next weeks though)! Maybe you could do some extra reading with your child instead.



Making maths shapes in gymnastics club.



### **Sport News**

Some exciting football matches already this term! The Year 5 and 6 boys took part in the Trinity Indoor Football Tournament where they came 2<sup>nd</sup>. Year 3 and 4 boys have played Roberts Sandilands where they won 1-0! Year 5 and 6 girls played Shaw last week and drew 3-3. What an excellent start to the year! Well done to everyone involved.



### **Enjoyment**

Eat Lunch With Your Child Day is on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> January.

Come along with your own packed lunch or try one of our yummy school dinners.

Please look at our website regularly as we put extra information and photos on there. There may also be some information from your child's class teacher in the classes section as well.

### **Safety**

Please can you make sure that your child has their school PE kit in school each week. Thank you. Another reminder that if your child is making videos to put on YouTube, please make sure they are not wearing school uniform or anything that could lead to identifying where they live. Our advice is to NOT allow your child to put any pictures or videos of themselves on Youtube or any social media websites.

### **Attendance**

Attendance is at 96.7% which is the best it has been! Thank you for all your help with this. It is so important for the children to be in school every day. Please avoid booking holidays in the term time. If you want to discuss any holidays you must make an appointment to see Mrs Dove. Don't forget that any unauthorised holiday may result in a Fixed Penalty Fine.