

# ALWAYS AIMING HIGHER, TOGETHER

Newsletter 2.31 – Monday 20<sup>th</sup> June, 2016



**BASTILLE DAY**



Save the date!

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July, 15:00-18:00

La Fontaine 'Village' Party

Refugee  
Week



## GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP – TAKING RESPONSIBILITY

We will be celebrating **REFUGEE WEEK** from Monday 20<sup>th</sup> to Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June.

As part of these celebrations, children will be discussing key issues we have been reflecting on as a school, over the past few months: our place in society, the importance of having an impact on the world, and the refugee crisis which affects millions of people in Syria (including 1000s of children who aren't as lucky as ours).

To celebrate our diversity, a big map will be placed outside in the playground. We would like all families to do three things:

- 1) identify where you're from and add a photo of yourself/your family on the map, linking the picture to your country/city of origin. If the photo could be one taken in your country/city of origin (so we can see what it looks like, 'back home'), that'd be great! If you're from Bromley, add a photo of yourself in Bromley!
- 2) write a few words of hope, answering the following question: 'What kind of society would you like to live in?'
- 3) write a few words saying what you're doing to build the society you dream of. For instance, 'I make sure I get to know my neighbours so that my street feels safer.' or 'When new families join La Fontaine, I make sure I introduce myself to them so they feel welcomed.'

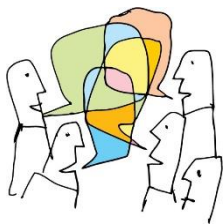


## EU REFERENDUM

We'd like to remind you that, on **Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June**, due to the fact that the EU Referendum will take place, we've been asked to keep the school closed.

As a school committed to ensuring that our children grow to become responsible citizens, we strongly encourage all those who can to vote on 23<sup>rd</sup> June.

Every minute counts!		MARIE CURIE	YANNICK NOAH	ANTOINE DE SAINT-EXUPÉRY	SIMONE DE BEAUVOIR	GEORGE SAND	JACQUES-YVES COUSTEAU	TOTAL
ATTENDANCE	LAST WEEK	95.7%	89.3%	98.2% 🏆	92.2%	94.8%	94.7%	94%
	SINCE SEPTEMBER	94.8%	95.9%	96.5%	95.2%	96.2%	96.3%	95.8%
PUNCTUALITY	LATE CHILDREN LAST WEEK	2	1	1	0 🏆	2	0 🏆	6



## COFFEE MORNING – ORACY WORKSHOP

Please, come to a special Coffee Morning Workshop on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June (straight after drop off) to hear more about our **ORACY** work.

As a school, we strongly believe that it is key that children are taught to speak clearly, justify their opinions, and debate. Not having an opinion isn't an option at La Fontaine. Come and find out more!



## UNIFORM ORDERS FOR NEXT YEAR

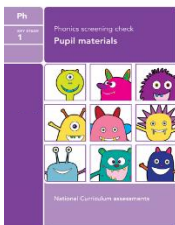
Don't forget to place your orders for next year!

All details about our uniforms are available at [www.lafontaineacademy.org/uniform](http://www.lafontaineacademy.org/uniform).

If your child is in Reception, remember that they will need to wear a tie and a blazer next year!



Remember that it takes two weeks to get items delivered to school, free of charge. If you want to get your items delivered to school, please order them by Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> July. **THE SCHOOL WILL NOT RECEIVE POSTAL DELIVERIES DURING THE SUMMER.**



## YEAR 1 PHONICS SCREENING

Congratulations to all our Year 1 children for their great effort last week – and over the past few months – in terms of their phonics learning.

All children sat a national test last week (which we organised in a very relaxed manner!) and they all did extremely well! Results will be shared with Year 1 families shortly.

## JEWELLERY, TATTOOS, AND NAIL VARNISH, ETC.

The following is taken directly from our Uniform Policy:

'Pupils are not allowed to wear fingernail polish or false nails. Make-up is not allowed. Pupils may not wear any jewellery except for one watch only (no sound effects or games). Please, note that the school will be unable to take any responsibility for any watches that are lost. Body piercing is prohibited, with the exception of a single, standard ear piercing. No other forms of body piercing will be allowed for any pupil. Pupils are not allowed to have tattoos of any kind on their body (even temporary ones).'



## HELPING THOSE IN NEED

We have been approached by a member of the St Vincent de Paul Society (Charity No. 1053992) about giving a helping hand to those families who may need a bit of support.

The St Vincent de Paul Society helps to tackle poverty in all its forms through the provision of practical assistance to those in need without differentiation on the grounds of race, colour, creed, ideology or gender. The concept of need is broader than financial hardship, so visiting the sick, the lonely, the addicted, the imprisoned and those suffering from disabilities form a large proportion of the Society's work. The Society, active in 150 countries, has nearly 600,000 members worldwide with over 10,000 in England and Wales.

Practical and occasionally modest financial assistance is available to people and families in need and the charity also operates free holiday camps for children who may not have the chance to go on a holiday otherwise: [www.svpboscocamp.org.uk](http://www.svpboscocamp.org.uk).

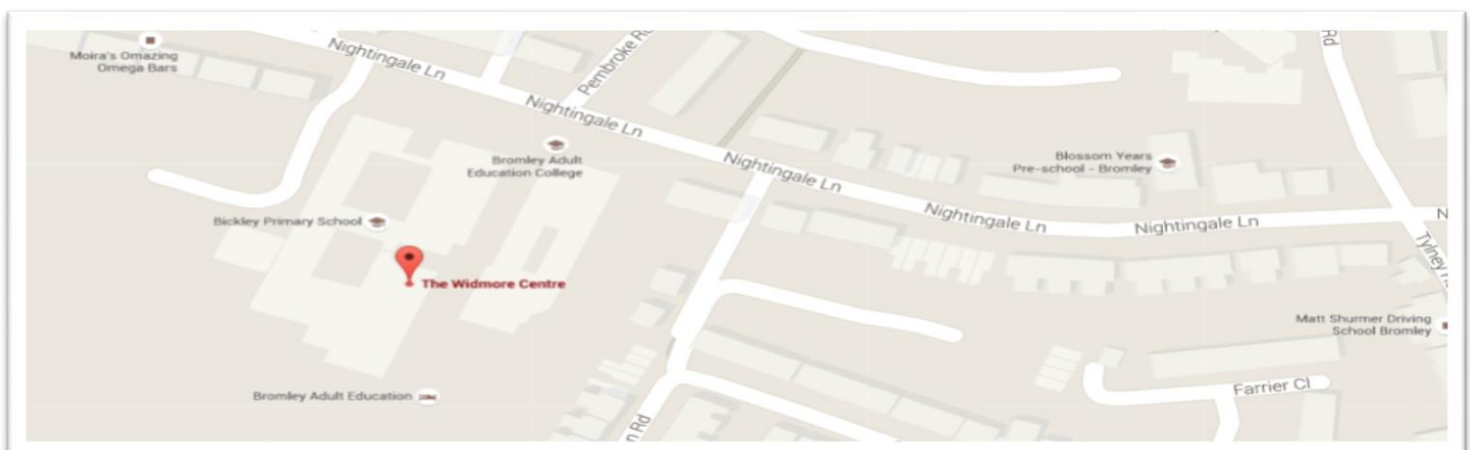
If anyone in the La Fontaine parents and carers community would like any further information, please email Dr Sebastien Chapleau in the first instance at [headteacher@lafontaineacademy.org](mailto:headteacher@lafontaineacademy.org).

## LA FONTAINE'S PERMANENT HOME

As you will have heard, Executive Members at Bromley Council have come to an agreement with the Education Funding Agency in terms of our permanent site.

Our school, from September 2017, will be based at the Widmore Centre (BR1 2SQ).

Thank you to all parents and carers for your wonderful patience! We got there in the end!





### **SUMMER FETE**

It is open to all so feel free to bring family and friends.

We are still collecting donations for our summer fair- please drop your contributions in the school office.

Needed: jam jars filled with sweets and second hand toys in good condition (there are a number of empty jam jars in the office should you like to collect one to fill)

All classes have been asked to oversee a stall or two and your Class Rep should have been in touch to request your help. We are short on volunteers right now so please consider helping out for an hour or two if you haven't already.

Tickets are £1 each and every child will have 5 tickets in their book bag by this Wednesday latest. Payment by cash, cheque or BACS and write your name and phone number on the raffle ticket when returning the tickets. List of prizes can be viewed on the PTA website and include 2 x £100 Bluewater vouchers, and many other great prizes.

More info at [www.ptalafontaine.org.uk/summer-fete](http://www.ptalafontaine.org.uk/summer-fete).



## SPORTS GARDEN/OUTDOOR STAGE

### DONATION APPEAL

This project will create an area for all students to enjoy all year round – for sports/games, performances and outdoor lessons. Jean-Claude, Adam and many volunteers have started this amazing makeover but more work is needed to complete it.

To make it happen we need more donations. More info at [www.ptalafontaine.org.uk/garden-funding](http://www.ptalafontaine.org.uk/garden-funding) and in the letter in your child's book bag.

### SECOND-HAND UNIFORM SHOP – DONATIONS WANTED !

Please leave your uniform/clothes donations in the box located in the school office.

PTA member Lauren Florence is in charge of the second-hand uniform shop and will also organise the sales at the school fairs like the Summer Fete. All proceeds will go to the PTA.



### BILINGUAL BOOKS AVAILABLE THROUGH PTA

We are in the process of securing a partnership with a French publishing house specialized in English-French bilingual books for children. These books are not just to help translation, but actually switch from English to French.

You can see a list of the books here:

For 6-10 Year olds: [www.talentshauts.fr/19-filou-pixie](http://www.talentshauts.fr/19-filou-pixie)

For younger children: [www.talentshauts.fr/18-oops-ohlala](http://www.talentshauts.fr/18-oops-ohlala)

If you are interested in purchasing some of these books or finding out more, please contact Amell on [ml.amatino@gmail.com](mailto:ml.amatino@gmail.com). The PTA will receive 20% commission from all sales.

Please get your orders in by 5th July so we can get our first delivery in time for Bastille Day. More info AT [www.ptalafontaine.org.uk/bilingual-books](http://www.ptalafontaine.org.uk/bilingual-books).

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

More info on each event at [www.ptalafontaine.org.uk/coming-events-2](http://www.ptalafontaine.org.uk/coming-events-2).

- Our Summer Fete will be held on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July from 12-3pm. We will need volunteers to help and hold stalls. Please email [contact@ptalafontaine.org.uk](mailto:contact@ptalafontaine.org.uk) to let us know if you are able to assist here.
- Mum's bowling night out on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July
- We'll be celebrating Bastille Day on 15<sup>th</sup> July. We are planning to have some music, a couple of activities for children and French food and drinks. More info to follow at [www.ptalafontaine.org.uk/bastille-day](http://www.ptalafontaine.org.uk/bastille-day).

### PTA NEWS

The Minutes from our AGM are online at [www.ptalafontaine.org.uk/pta-minutes](http://www.ptalafontaine.org.uk/pta-minutes).