

Cathedral School News

18th June 2012

Dear Parents,

Our Friends from Zimbabwe

Last Thursday morning the school played host to three visitors from Zimbabwe, representing the Diocese of Masvingo. They are visiting the Diocese of Southwark and are in the UK until Wednesday to further strengthen the strong bonds of friendship between the Dioceses.

Mr Matthias Thompson Maduba, Education Secretary for Masvingo; Mrs Aileen Gwasunda, Mother's Union Co-ordinator and Fr Misheck Mbodza, a member of the clergy from the Diocese spent all morning with us and spoke to the children about their jobs and our partner school in Zimbabwe, Daramombe Primary School.

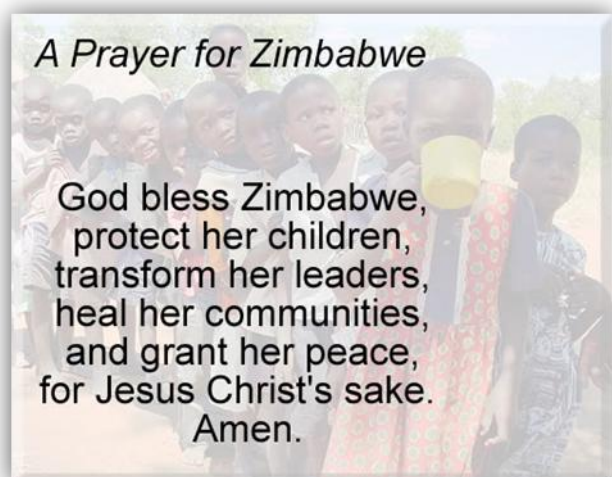
It was a most enjoyable occasion and we would like to thank them for taking the time to see us. Our visitors spoke to the children in assembly, had a tour of the school, answered questions from Year 5 and 6 children and gave us some excellent gardening advice. The QR Code above is a link to the video of their visit on the school website.



<http://www.cathedralprimaryschool.com/blog/2012/06/our-friends-from-zimbabwe/>

Our Relationship with Daramombe Primary School

Over the last year we have exchanged letters and photos, and one of our teachers recently went to visit them on a Diocesan Visit with Canon Bruce Saunders and other members of the congregation at Southwark Cathedral.



We pray every day for our friends in Zimbabwe.

To the left is the prayer we say in assemblies.

The Masvingo Diocese has a website:

(<http://masvingo.anglican.org>) which you may like to visit. Bishop Godfrey Tawonezvi of the Masvingo Diocese has visited our school in 2011 and led an assembly. Back in Zimbabwe, Bishop Godfrey together with the the headteacher of Daramombe Primary, Denford Chuma, have been strong under very challenging circumstances. The Anglican churches and schools in Zimbabwe are suffering from intimidation and threatening behaviour from certain quarters of the country but so far Daramombe has remained strong.

Last year, Year 6 wrote letters about this worrying situation to David Cameron, Archbishop Rowan Williams, Archbishop John Sentamu and Unicef who all responded with concern.

Our children continue to write letters to the Daramombe children, developing their knowledge of other places and cultures and strengthening the friendship between our two schools. A recent theme was sharing the rules for games we like to play.

We are very fortunate to have a partner school like Daramombe Primary.

Best wishes,

Mr Scott

Deputy Headteacher

The School Website

In another international vein, the new school website is becoming very popular with almost 5000 visitors in the last two months and has been visited by people in 42 different countries. It will play an increasingly large role in the life of the school in the future. Please regularly check for latest updates and please do comment on events and children's work. (First names only please).

For your information

Contacting Cathedral Primary School Governors

If you would like to contact any of Cathedral School Governors please do so via the school office. Any letters, messages or emails should be sent to the office who will then forward any correspondence.

Pineapple Dance Studios

One of our parents has a strong connection with Pineapple Performing Arts School based at Pineapple Studios and they have offered a limited number of discounted places for Cathedral children to try their summer school. There will be 5 energetic days of dancing, singing and acting taught by performers from West End shows and a trip to see the fantastic musical, 'Matilda'. Course dates are 30th July - 3rd August for ages 8 –11. Cathedral discounted fee £200 (normally £225). Call 020 8351 8839 or visit www.pineapplearts.com or feel free to chat to Tanya, Dotty's mum (1) for more information.

Parent Forum Meeting

The next Parent Forum meeting will be held on Thurs 28 June at 6.30 pm in the Ability Media Centre on Southwark Bridge Road/corner of Union Street.

School Fete

We would like to inform all parents/guardians that this year's summer fete will be held on **Thursday 21st June from 2:30-4:30pm in the Junior Playground (the blue cage)**. As we are celebrating the Queens Diamond Jubilee this year, this will be our theme for the summer fete. We will be holding a royal/pearly parade and will invite all children who wish to participate in making an item of clothing, head piece, bag etc representing this theme. We are pleased to announce that this will be judged by the Pearly King & Queen of East London who will be attending the event.

We would be delighted if all the parents/guardians at Cathedral School could kindly make any donation of unwanted gifts, books, tombola items, uniform, homemade cakes for the cake stall etc and could bring along or drop off items on a Monday or Friday morning and or afternoon where Denise and Nicola (parents in yr1) will be waiting with their car to collect any items donated starting from **Monday 14th May**.

Please contact Nicola or Denise through their emails with regards to cakes advising them if you are able to bake something for the fete. Nicola – n-murrell@sky.com
Denise – dennis65@fsmail.net

Pearly Kings and Queens Competition

Could anyone still wishing to enter an outfit into the 'pearly kings and queens' competition at the school fete please return their completed slip to the office by Wednesday 20th June.

Cake Sale

On Thursday 5th July Parents Forum are kindly holding a cake sale in order to raise funds to support the Year 6 residential trip next year. The sale will be in the school hall @ 3.15pm – all welcome

Nursery

Jenny and Freddie both made beautiful crowns to celebrate the Queens Diamond Jubilee. They were able to select appropriate materials and colours to create precious looking jewels which they added to their crown

Reception

Holly and Sylvie have both shown great enthusiasm in making 2D and 3D art for our royal tea party display. They were able to use a range of techniques with great skill.

Year 1

Charlie and Teygan have been extremely creative during arts week. They are beginning to recognise different techniques used to produce good quality paintings. They have worked hard to create great art works for the Year 1 display.

Year 2

Bea and Ned are always very enthusiastic about art activities. They show great creativity and imagination in their work. This week they have created wonderful stamps by looking carefully at their partner and sketching what they saw.

Year 3

Kiran and Eleanor have been creating Jubilee ceremonial robes in the style of our Chinese robe work from earlier in the year. Both children designed imaginative robes.

Year 4

Christabel and Rose worked very hard to create their own pop art images of the Queen, based on work by Andy Warhol.

Year 5

Faruq and Ferdinand have thought really carefully about what images represent the Jubilee in Britain. They have considered how they can be represented as print designs.

Year 6

Hemi and Louie have created extremely colourful and striking designs as alternatives to Southwark Cathedrals stained glass Jubilee window.

Class Attendance

Nursery	93%
Reception	96%
Year 1	94%
Year 2	94%
Year 3	100% 😊😊
Year 4	99%😊
Year 5	98%😊
Year 6	96%