



26th September 2008

Dear Parents

The school will be closed on the following days:

- Friday 10th October
- Thursday 23rd October
- Friday 24th October
- Monday 3rd November
- Tuesday 4th November
- Wednesday 5th November

The 10th October day will be used to implement the Teacher Performance Management Regulations which need to be in place by 31st October. The other dates are to allow us to move into the new school. I apologise for any inconvenience these closure dates cause, but there are 600 crates to pack and unpack plus a great deal of new furniture to be put in place. The planned opening day for children will be Thursday 6th November.

Harvest Festival

A big thank you for all the food which you have donated. The Salvation Army will be putting it to good use in Coventry.

Target Booklets

With this letter you will receive this term's 'Pupil Target Booklet' for your child. This booklet is designed to serve a number of purposes:

- to inform the children and their parents of their next steps in learning in the core subjects of English, Maths and Science;
- to provide guidance to parents on how to support their child in their work for the term;
- to give parents an understanding of the areas of work for the term;
- to give guidance on issues such as homework, class topics and important dates.

The most significant aspect of the booklets are the targets on page 1. Teachers will discuss these with the children so that they understand them fully. The older children will then write their targets themselves while the younger children will have them entered by a teacher.

Year 6 Bikeability Training (Cycling Proficiency)

We are recommencing this during the Spring Term 2009 on either Tuesday or Wednesday morning during school time. The training is only open to Year 6 children, and I would appreciate an idea of the level of interest so that final arrangements can be made. Could parents of children in Year 6 please return the attached reply slip by Friday 3rd October to give me some indication of numbers.

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YEAR 6 BIKEABILITY TRAINING – JANUARY 2009

Name of child Class

I would like my child to be registered for this training.

Signed

Scholastic Book Fair: 6th – 9th October

A reminder that the book fair will be in school for four days – a great opportunity to purchase good value children's books! It will be open before and after school in the foyer, from Monday 6th October until Thursday 9th October. As parents and guardians will be attending our parents' evening on Monday 6th, the book fair will remain open later on that date.

SAFARI DAY ON THURSDAY 9th OCTOBER!

In conjunction with the book fair theme of 'Safari', children (and adults!) are invited to dress up as animals – wild or otherwise – on the last day of the book fair. We look forward to seeing your creations!

Please come and have a look, as our school benefits greatly from the success of the book sales.

We still need volunteers to help at the fair. Please complete and return the reply slip from last week's letter and return it to your child's class teacher, or contact the school office.

School Visits Disclaimer Form

If you have not already done so please complete and return the gold coloured disclaimer form as soon as possible – your child will not be able to participate in class trips if we do not have this signed consent form in school.

Box Tops for Schools

Many thanks to all those who have sent in Box Top tokens. We have recently sent off a batch, but we're still collecting ...!

Dinner Lady Vacancies

We are looking for supervisory assistants to join our lunchtime team. Duties include supervising children in the dining room and on the playground.

Hours of work are 11.50 am to 1.20 pm Monday to Friday, term time only. However, if you are only able to commit to two or three days per week we would also like to hear from you.

The rate of pay is currently £6.08 per hour

Please call into the school office or ring 7641 9555 to arrange an informal meeting.

NCT Nearly New Sale – Saturday 4th October from 12 noon – 2.00 pm

*The National Childbirth Trust is holding a sale of good quality baby, children's and maternity clothes, baby equipment and toys at West Orchard United Reformed Church Hall, Baginton Road. Admission 50p adults. For more details call 024 7641 5875 **before 9 pm** or email nctcoventrynns@googlemail.com.*

Irish Dancing

This takes place at Cheylesmore Community Centre every Wednesday from 4.15 to 5.00 pm and places are available for children from 4 – 7 years of age. Contact Louise on 07762 332506 for further details.

Yours sincerely

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