



6<sup>th</sup> February 2009

Dear Parents

A reminder that school closes for half term at the normal time on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February. We reopen on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February.

### Safer Internet Day

This is on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> February and its aim is to raise awareness about safe and responsible use of new technologies especially among children and young people. We will be holding a special junior assembly. All the children in Years 3 to 6 will receive a wristband with key reminders on.

### Girls' Cross-Country

Brontë and Emily in Year 6 write:

"On Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> January, the girls cross-country team took part in the City Championships at Keresley Grange Primary School. The people who took part were:

#### A Team

Brontë Tindall (1<sup>st</sup>, City Champion 2009), Leah Gowing (14<sup>th</sup>),  
Ella Long (12<sup>th</sup>), Hannah Mordey (54<sup>th</sup>), Amber McWhirter (37<sup>th</sup>),  
Sasha Bell (44<sup>th</sup>)

#### B Team

Emily Lawless (19<sup>th</sup>), Jodie Bint (2<sup>nd</sup>), Finola Hughes (9<sup>th</sup>),  
Bethany Meadows (49<sup>th</sup>), Avani Gill (41<sup>st</sup>), Maddie Swain (7<sup>th</sup>)

In both races we came 3<sup>rd</sup> overall and all won a bronze medal! We would like to thank Mr Baldwin, Mr Rose and Miss Hibbert for training us and all the parents for supporting us."

### Cancer Research UK Appeal

One of our former pupils, Mark Wood, is leading a 300 mile arctic expedition at the end of March. He is seeking sponsorship which will be donated to Cancer Research UK. We would like to help him and ask for £1 per child. In return, Mark will carry a school banner signed by the children, and he will provide us with a photograph taken at the end of the trek to show the children.

Please support us if you are able.

### PTA NEWS

#### INVITATION BOOKS

*After the success of last year's book, the PTA has 50 copies of the 2009-10 Coventry and Warwickshire Invitation Book to sell at the special price of £19.99 (rrp £29.99). For each book sold through the PTA we receive £4 to spend on the children. The book is packed with vouchers for free and discounted days out, meals and retail items including CCFC, Warwick*

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Arts Centre, Planet Ice, Pizza Express. Most are valid until February or May next year. A full list of discounts can be seen on the website – [www.invitationbook.co.uk](http://www.invitationbook.co.uk). The PTA is approached by many organisations about fundraising campaigns and projects but we have rarely received such positive feedback about a product – most people who bought the book last year report that they have saved over £100 (some well over £200) on everyday items as well as treats. If you wish to buy a book you can send in an envelope marked '**PTA INVITATION BOOK**' with your child's name and class, enclosing a cheque for £19.99 made payable to:- **STIVICHALL PRIMARY SCHOOL PTA.**

### FACEBOOK

Do we have any facebook fans out there ?? The PTA have set up a facebook group to keep everyone up-to-date with the events that they are holding throughout the year. You do not need to be a PTA committee member to join the group but you do need to be a child, parent or teacher at Stivichall Primary School as membership to the group will be by invitation only. If you wish to join the group please email [stivichallprimarypta@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:stivichallprimarypta@hotmail.co.uk) Don't worry if you don't want to join the group as the PTA will still keep you up-to-date via the school newsletter, flyers and our web-page: <http://www.stivichallprimary.org/pta.htm>.

Yours sincerely

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