



3rd July 2009

Dear Parents

Staffing

Classes will be organised in September as follows:

Sept 2009			
Reception	R3 Miss Edwards	R2 Mrs Cornfoot	R1 Mrs Whitmore
Year 1	see new class lists 1P Mrs Jeffs / Mrs King	see new class lists 1S Miss Williams	
Year 2	current class 1P becomes 2S Mrs Wood	current class 1S becomes 2P Mrs Robinson	
Year 3	see new class lists 3S Mrs Donaldson	see new class lists 3P Mr Bainbridge	Year 3 / 4 see new class lists 3/4 Mrs Slater
Year 4	Current class 3P 4P Miss Hibbert	Current class 3S 4S Miss Oddy	
Year 5	see new class lists 5S Mrs Evans	see new class lists 5P Ms Halliday	
Year 6	current class 5P becomes 6P Mrs Thomson	current class 5S becomes 6S Mrs Harris	
<p>Miss Harris and Mrs Rodriguez will share the teaching of a class drawn from Years 1 and 2 in order to reduce teaching group sizes to less than 30.</p> <p>Mr Baldwin and Miss Craig will be the support teachers in Years 5 and 6.</p> <p>Class lists for Years 1, 3, 3/4 and 5 are on display in the windows of the Reception, Year 2 and Year 4 classrooms from 3.15 pm today.</p>			

Transition Day

This will be on Wednesday 8th July when most of the children in Year 6 visit their new secondary schools. All of our children for September 2009 (except for Reception) will visit their new classrooms and meet their new teachers during the second half of the morning.

Swine Flu Update

Coventry has been designated as a 'hot spot' for swine flu by the Health Protection Agency. This means that the city is now an area with acknowledged widespread community transmission of swine flu. Therefore, school closures are no longer being recommended and healthy children will not be given antivirals. Schools will only close for 'operational reasons', ie high levels of staff absence.

Schools have been given a number of key actions and we have been asked to reinforce the following messages:

- Sickness; when any pupil or member of staff report in sick with 'flu like illness' please instruct them to stay at home and seek advice from; NHS Direct, call their GP. They should not go into their GP surgery, Accident & Emergency Department or the Walk in Centre unless advised to do so or if they are seriously ill, because they might spread the illness to others.

- Sick children and staff should not return to school until they are well and symptom free
- Hand Hygiene; Wash hands frequently with soap and water to reduce the spread of virus from your hands to face or to other people.
- Cleaning hard surfaces (e.g. door handles) frequently using a normal cleaning product.
- Covering your nose and mouth when coughing or sneezing, using a tissue when possible.
- Disposing of dirty tissues promptly and carefully.
- Making sure children follow this advice.

Sainsbury's, Tesco and Books for Schools Vouchers

Please send any outstanding vouchers to school by Friday 10th July as our collections have to be sent in soon.

Reading Books

Next Friday will be the last day when reading books are sent home with children in Reception, Years 1 and 2.

Evening of Music

We are very proud of the 150 children who performed in the evening of music on Tuesday. The standard of music was very high, and the children's behaviour was a credit to them and the school, especially in the intense heat.

Also congratulations to Mrs Wood, Mrs Wright and Mrs Whitmore on their leadership of the evening.

Music Tuition Reminder (current Year 1 – Year 5)

Please remember to return reply slips by Monday 6th July if you wish your child to start /stop / continue instrumental lessons in September.

Milk Reminder (current Reception classes and Year 1)

Milk orders and payment for September (£13.30) should be returned to school by Monday 6th July.

Stivichall Fun Club Summer Playscheme

We still have places available for our fun-filled Playscheme. Booking forms are available from the school office or from Fun Club.

PAS Summer Holiday Activities (call 024 7678 8575)

All aboard the magic Travel Machine! Three days of dance, drama, song and craft, with a performance at the end. **22nd – 24th July 9.00-3.00 pm for ages 6-11 £10.50 per day**

Film Spectacular Dance creation from popular films including James Bond and Mama Mia. **10th – 14th August 9.00 – 3.00 pm for ages 7-10 £10.50 per day**

We're going to the zoo (ages 4-5) Make friends with the animals through song, dance, play and craft. **27th – 31st July £5.25 per day**

Grimm Tales (ages 7-12) An exciting week of drama, movement and games exploring Grimm Tales, famous stories with gruesome endings. **17th – 21st August 9.00 – 3.00 pm £10.50 per day**

For more information and to book please call the Performing Arts Service at Chace Studio Centre on 024 7668 8575. Concessions available to those in receipt of specific benefits.

PTA NEWS

Summer Fete – Saturday 11TH July 2009 – 11AM TO 2PM

ENTRANCE VIA COAT OF ARMS BRIDGE ROAD – 30p per person.

RAFFLE TICKETS – Raffle tickets for the draw at the fete are being sent home with the children this week. Top Prize is a Digital Camera, other prizes include a case of wine, Mr Karting

voucher, family pass for Twycross Zoo, family pass for Hatton Country World, plus many more exciting prizes! If you have several children at the school this may mean that you have ended up with rather more books to sell than others! If you are one of those parents – PLEASE do not feel pressured to sell them all but we would be grateful if you could send back the unsold books. (For administration reasons, sending out in every book bag is the easiest way for the school staff to distribute). Please send in all filled out tickets stubs and monies and any unsold books by Wednesday 8th July if possible.

HELP NEEDED – We are still looking for people to help man the stalls at the fete – please please if you haven't already offered to help could you please consider helping out for half an hour or so. Can you face paint ?? This is a very popular stall at the fete but we are short on helpers. Email kerry.hooper@ps4b.co.uk or send a note to the school office. Many thanks.

ECO KIT FOR KIDS - Do you have any outgrown sports kit, brownie, cubs, guide, scout uniform? Dance clothing/shoes? Sports equipment? Musical instruments? School Jumpers, polo shirts, trousers, skirts, school dresses - then we can find a new home for it on our stall at the fete. Send in any donations to school and leave in the school foyer in or next to the PTA collection bin.

DONATIONS – If you are in need of de-cluttering the house, bring into school any unwanted Toys and Books (please only those in good clean condition and sorry no soft toys). Also wanted are unwanted McDonalds toys etc and collectors card – especially Match Attax, Slam Attax. These can be deposited by the PTA Store (old music room) in the playground.

SAMOSAS, BHAJIS, CAKES & JAMS – Are you a cook? We are looking for items for the cake stall and for refreshments. Please let Edy know if you can cook something for the fete edith.devoy@ocr.org.uk

SPORTS AUCTION – We have the following items that will be auctioned on the day of the fete:-

Miniature cricket bat from the 2009 Nat West Women's Series signed by the England Women's cricket team who are winners of the 2009 Cricket World Cup and 2009 World Twenty20 winners.

An Arsenal shirt signed by many of the players including; Theo Walcott, Cesc Fabregas, Robin Van Persie, Emmanuel Adebayor & Arsene Wenger.

A Newcastle FC shirt signed by many of the players

Month long family pass for Esporta

If you would like to place a bid before the fete, please send your contact details along with item you would like to bid on and also the amount you wish to bid in an envelope marked 'Auction' to the school office.

Yours sincerely

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Head Teacher

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