

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Here is a list of events for your diary. You will receive further information on them nearer the time.

September

Wednesday 16th Zoons club starts
Thursday 17th PTA meeting- New Parents most welcome
Wednesday 23rd French club starts
Wednesday 30th New Mum's Coffee morning (PTA)

October

Wednesday 14th Harvest assembly- 9.00 a.m.- All welcome
Wednesday 21st Parents consultations. Appointments during the afternoon and the evening. **Children leave school at 1.30 p.m.**
Friday 24th Start of half term

Monday 26th - Friday 30th **Half term**

November

Wednesday 4th School Photographer in

December

Saturday 5th Christmas Fayre
Monday 7th Nativity for Grandparents- 1.45 p.m.
Tuesday 8th Nativity Play- 9.30 a.m. Surnames A—J
Wednesday 9th Nativity Play- 9.30 a.m. Surnames K—Z
Tuesday 15th The Pied Piper Theatre company in
Tuesday 15th Christmas lunch
Wednesday 16th Class parties
Friday 18th End of Term- 2.00 p.m.

Warmest Wishes,



Mr. S. P. Hobbs
Head teacher



Newsletter 1

Friday 11th September 2009

Dear Parents & Carers,

Welcome Back—we hope you had an enjoyable summer and that the weather did not impact on your break. What a delight it has been to welcome the children back to school looking so happy, rested and enthusiastic. I am very pleased to report that the children have settled in beautifully, with all of our new year groups slotting back into school work well and who are looking very smart in their school uniforms. Could I please ask parents to ensure that their children's school clothes are named and that they have a suitable waterproof coat in school, each day so that their break times are not affected if we have poor weather. Hopefully you have seen the new additions and improvements around the school- the new path into the playground and the newly painted aeroplane to name but two.

Just as a way of a reminder the class names and staffing for this year are as follows:

Badger	Yr 2	Mrs.Collins with Learning support assistants Mrs. Clapp and Mrs. Thomas
Fox	Yr 2	Miss. Cole with Learning support assistant Ms. Barber
Squirrel	Yr 1	Miss. Jackson with Learning support assistants Mrs. Broughton and Mrs. Hope
Otter	Yr 1	Miss. Richards Learning support assistants Mrs. Hazelden and Ms. Hughes
Rabbit	Yr R	Miss. Hayward with Learning support assistants Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Riley
Hedgehog	Yr R	Mrs. Good with Learning support assistants Mrs. Hutchins, Mrs. Hope, Mrs. John and Mrs. Thomas
The Beehive		Mrs. Hodgson and Mrs. Nevin with Nursery assistants Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Pascoe and Mrs. Ness.

Staffing

We warmly welcome two new members of staff this term. Miss Helena Cole as class teacher in Fox and Mrs. Sarah Prentice as outside classroom assistant.

As a school we are proud to operate an open door policy—you are most welcome to visit either myself or your child's teacher at a convenient time (but please note 5 minutes before the start of the school day or at the end may not be the most suitable time). The children are the teachers' first priority in the morning so it is not always possible to see parents then. All classes have a book for home and school to use to communicate short messages, please use it. If you need a longer time with a teacher contact the school office and a mutually agreed time will be arranged. An appointment means that the teacher can give her undivided attention to you, which is far better for everyone.

May we also remind parents that no unsupervised child should be on the school premises before 8.30 a.m. and must be supervised by their parent/carer at all times until 8.40 a.m. when a member of staff will be available in the playground.

There are several reasons for this:

- To comply with Insurance, Fire and Health and Safety regulations
- It improves security for the children, as staff would be sure that all adults on legitimate business in the school had entered via the front door and reported to the Office. (Please note a member of the office staff is available from 8.30 a.m. daily to help with any queries)

Playtime Break

As usual the children are supplied with a piece of fruit each morning. We encourage water to be brought to school in a named bottle with a non-spill top.

Home School Link Worker

We would like to inform all new parents that we are lucky enough to have a Home School Link Worker (HSLW). Mrs. Karn Hadman who is shared with other local schools, is available on Fridays to work with children, meet with parents, offer advice or simply sit and listen to concerns. Please do feel free to contact Karn via the school office if you would like any of the services that she can offer.

Parking Reminder

Can I please remind parents to use the one-way parking system. Help us to continue to keep the children safe by keeping to the paths, keeping young children supervised and not crossing the parking areas.

Please also remember our neighbours and not park in front of their driveways and the request from the medical centre not to park in their car park unless visiting the centre or the pharmacy. Thank you for your continued co-operation.

Nursery Parents

Please note that the Nursery will be closed for the week beginning 14th September, This is to enable teachers to conduct home visits to see the children in a familiar setting.

A request from the school caterer

The lunchtime caterer has asked if parents could write a letter to Inform them if their child has either an allergic reaction to or has an extreme dislike for a specific food type. (e.g. an intense dislike for cheese and refuses to eat it) They have informed me that this will enable them to make an alternative available on days when those food types are on the menu. If you feel that your child would benefit from this arrangement please put this in writing and make it for the attention of the caterer.

Recycling Area- be green and help the school

As some of you may be aware we now have a recycling area in the library (through door B) We are collecting the following material: paint brushes, beads, wool, buttons, embroidery thread, fabric, lace, ribbon, corks, and craft foam, There is also a box for miscellaneous items. If you have any spare or unwanted items from the above list please deposit them in the trays/boxes. Your donations will be most gratefully received and will help us in gaining our recycling 'Green Flag' and also providing us with those craft resources. Thank you.

Packed Lunches.- a gentle reminder

As part of our ongoing 'Healthy Schools' programme, could we please remind parents that sweets, lollipops or other confectionary items are not permitted in packed lunches- biscuits including chocolate coated one are permitted. Could we also remind you that this school operates a strict 'No nut' policy (including peanut butter), due to a number of children having severe nut allergies.

Many Thanks.