



'Fearless Education'



Newsletter

19th November 2009

Dear Parents and Carers and Children,

It only seems a month ago that we were still enjoying the last rays of our late Summer sunshine (Oh, maybe that's because we were!) and yet here we are about to begin the build-up to events for the festive period. Over the next few weeks you will receive a number of letters or reminders on the newsletter about events that are taking place. These have been organised by school and the PSA. As you can appreciate there are a number of things that take up a lot of time in the office. We do always endeavour to make sure that you get tickets, children don't miss out and everyone enjoys themselves. It always makes a huge difference when you are able to reply to letters, make payments or just inform us of your intentions as soon as possible. If there are any problems then please contact the office and we will do our best to sort it out for you. Best wishes for a great weekend.

David Forrester

Teachers2Parents Text Messaging

In a recent newsletter we advised you that we will be trialing a new system whereby we will send messages to your mobile phone. For example, to alert you if a club has been cancelled.

We will start this from Monday, 23rd November.

Please be assured that this is a strictly confidential service and your details will not be passed on to anyone else.

Children in Need

A reminder that tomorrow is Children in Need. The children have decided that this year we would like all children and staff (parents are included!) to dress in yellow or spots (or both!) for a minimum donation of 50p per child. Of course you may donate more if you wish. If your child is not wearing yellow or spots, could they please wear school uniform. No jeans or trainers.

Guitar Lessons

Unfortunately, due to staff sickness last Monday, there will be a guitar lessons on Monday 23rd November.

However, the lesson for Monday 7th December 2009 is still cancelled. The last guitar lesson will be held on Monday 14th December.

You may remember that last week the children were focussed on Anti-Bullying week. We had a super sharing assembly where the children explained some of the learning they had been doing. The two 'recipes' below have been chosen as a small sample of the great thinking that Y3/4 children shared with the school last Friday.

A Recipe for Friendship

You will need	Equipment
. A Smile	. Scales
. A Warm Heart	. Mixing Bowl
. Thoughtfulness	. Wooden Spoon
. Understanding	
. Cheerfulness	

1. Firstly mix 200g of thoughtfulness and 300g of understanding carefully,
2. Carry on mixing it until it sparkles
3. Then add 70g of a warm heart and stir it together with the sparkling until it lights up.
4. Next stir in 400g of cheerfulness and a smile
5. After put your mixture in the oven.
6. Finally take it out after 10 mins, and enjoy your recipe of friendship.

By Georgia Hawkins

Blackbirds made it to the top this week. Well done!



Lost Property

A few items of lost property were found on the field after the fireworks event, if you are missing any items please call into the office.

Recipe for Friendship

You will need:
Kindness
Fun
Happiness
Friendship
Time

1. First get some kindness and fun then whisk it together until it is smooth.
2. Now add 2 spoonfuls of friendship and time.
3. Lastly put some happiness in it then put it in the oven to cook sweetly.

By Casey Sharpe



Community News

Art Express

We are holding another **Make and Take** this year in the Scout hut. Children will have the opportunity to make good quality Christmas presents using all sorts of art and craft materials. Open to all primary ages.

The date - 28th November

The time - 9.30am – 12.00pm

The Venue - Pucklechurch Scout Hut.

The cost - £10 per child for materials, hire costs and expenses.

Parents could use this time for Christmas Shopping.

If you are interested then please contact Rachel Goodchild on 01173039190 and I will give you a booking form.

St Thomas a Beckett

Nov 29th 6.30pm Advent Carols – we look forward to welcoming Jesus as a baby at Christmas time and to His second arrival on earth, yet to come.

Lots of traditional Advent carols and special items from choir.

If you would like to join the choir just for the Christmas period, please ring our choir master, Omar Beg on 0117 937 3695 quickly. Children over the age of seven, teenagers and adults all welcome, no auditions, just the chance to sing lots of carols! Choir rehearsals are 7.00-8.00pm Friday evenings in Church)

Dec 20th: 6.30pm Carol Service in Candlelight – Traditional 9 lessons and carols – all your favourite carols sung with gusto!

Dec 24th: 4.00pm Christingle Service – Children’s nativity play service with Christingles. Please bring your Christingle (an orange, with red ribbon around the middle, with four cocktail sticks with fruit, nuts or sweets on and a candle inserted in the top) so that it can be lit during the service. It is a good idea to bring something to rest the orange on, like a piece of cut off toilet tube.

Dec 24th: 11.15pm – Carols and midnight service – be there to welcome Jesus as He arrives after midnight in the early hours of Christmas day!

Dec 25th (Christmas Day): 10.00am morning service – See baby Jesus in the crib with Mary, Joseph and the shepherds and animals. Children are welcome to bring their favourite toy to the service. More carols and the Christmas story to start Christmas Day with the real Spirit of Christmas.

Revel Christmas Sparkle and sing-a-long

Come along and join us for the Revel Christmas Sparkle and Sing-a-Long on at the Millennium Stone, Pucklechurch on Sunday, 29th November at 4pm.

Father Christmas will be arriving.

Join us for mulled wine or squash and mince pies.

Bring a torch to see the carol sheets.

PSA News

Foneclub - Details will be sent out next week regarding this fundraising initiative. Look out for the posters around school and your blue envelope.

PSA Christmas Present Sale - There are still lots of children that have yet to return their form and money for the Christmas present sale on Thursday 10th December. This must be returned by 3pm next Friday 20th November. Any monies received after this date will NOT be accepted and money will NOT be accepted on the actual date of the sale.

PSA Christmas Tree Dressing and Mulled Wine

Tickets going fast

Last year, as a way of saying thank you to you all for your fantastic support throughout the year, the PSA arranged for the children to make some decorations for the school Christmas Tree while parents, carers etc joined us for a glass of mulled wine and a mince pie. This proved very popular with adults and children and we would like to invite you to join us again on Tuesday 1st December from 3.15 – 4.15pm.

Unfortunately we are restricted with numbers so will be operating on a 1st come, 1st served basis. If you would like to join us for the start of some Christmas celebrations then please complete the slip below and return it to the office no later than Monday, 23rd November. No requests can be received after this date. Tickets will be sent out very shortly.

There is no charge for this event but donations will be gladly accepted on the day and all children must be accompanied by an adult.

I would like to attend the Christmas Tree Decorating and Mulled Wine on 1st December.

Please could I have adult and child tickets

Child’s name

Class
