



'Fearless Education'



Newsletter

22nd April 2010

Dear Parents, Carers and Children,

Welcome back to a Summer term that is going to be very busy and extremely exciting. We have a big performance to start working on in KS2 and the preparations for the partial rebuild will start as we move towards the end of Summer Term. Before that we have the Summer Fete, on May 27th, that the PSA are already working on. If anybody would like to get involved I know that they would be extremely grateful for any assistance that can be offered, however limited.

In the community there is the Scarecrow Competition on the May Bank Holiday, Patronal day for St Thomas à Beckett on 11th July and of course Revel over the week of 12th - 19th June. These are all really good events and I would encourage you to try at least one of them if you haven't before.

Our themes for discussion this term are Relationships and Truthfulness. It would be great if you are able to share thinking with your child around these concepts. Best wishes for a lovely week and a marvellous term.

David Forrester

Congratulations to Jamie Sanders who plays for Cleeve RFC under 9's. On Sunday 18th April his team won the Cleeve Tournament by beating Clifton RFC in the final 1-0.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Monday, 19th April – Term restarts
- Monday, 19th April – guitar lessons start
- Friday, 23rd April – Nightingales Class Assembly at 9.05 am
- Friday, 23rd April – Grandparents afternoon for Reception children
- Sunday, 2nd and Monday, 3rd May – Scarecrow Trail
- Friday, 7th May - Swallows class assembly at 9.05 am
- Week Commencing 10th May – Year 6 SATs (tbc)
- Friday, 21st May – Wagtails class assembly at 9.05 am
- Thursday, 27th May – PSA Summer Fete – watch out for more details
- Friday, 28th May – INSET Day 5
- Term re-starts Monday, 7th June.

VALUES

Y6 teachers were struck with the Integrity shown by Emily Hanks this week when showing commitment and responsibility to the role of Y6 monitors. Thank you Emily for such a positive contribution to school.

Teachers would also like to recognise Mrs Bathgate for the Compassion she shows in following through the needs of children from the classroom to the playground and home where necessary. Thank you for your conscientious approach to the children of our school.

Outdoor clothes

There is still a bit of a nip in the air so can you please ensure your child arrives at school with a coat/fleece. If the weather warms up during the day, they do not need to wear it during break times however, it is imperative they are named as they can then be returned to the child when they inevitably leave them anywhere other than their pegs!!

If your child needs sun screen can you please ensure this is applied at the start of the day and that they wear a hat.

Class of the week

Well done to Blackbirds for getting 'Top Bunnies' award for best attendance before the Easter Break!



Please be aware that all Summer term clubs will start next week. If any children are unsure of times, where it's happening or for how long then please contact the teacher running your club. Please also remember to bring along the correct equipment or clothing if you have been asked to do so.

As part of the KS2 performance, which takes place on the evenings of 29th June – 2nd July, there will be elements of live music. We would really like to involve parents in this aspect of the show as well. If any parent is interested in getting involved in playing some Latin Music then please would they contact me at school either by email, phone or dropping in. Many thanks, David Forrester



Community News

To all parents whose children go to Lego club, Monday and Wednesday!!!!!!!

I must apologise to you all. I have overcharged you for Lego club. I had miss read my diary and there is only four weeks to this term, for Lego club, not five. I will of course take off a weeks payment for next term and charge you for one less. If this is inconvenient and you would like to be reimbursed £2.50 then please contact Rachel Goodchild on 01173039190. I do apologise for any inconvenience caused. Kind regards Rachel Goodchild

Coming Soon

New adult circuit class starting at Pucklechurch Primary School. Will start on Wednesday, 5th May in the School Hall from 7pm-8pm. Interested? Call Jenny Moon on 07969801674 to book your place.

Dyrham Park FAB

- Do you have children aged between 2 and 9?
- Do you like visiting museums, galleries, historic houses and gardens?
- Can you help us make Dyrham Park more fun for families?

We're setting up a **Family Advisory Board (FAB)** at Dyrham and are looking for volunteers. Volunteer families will attend three sessions at Dyrham and take part in creative activities which will help us to think about what kinds of playful experiences could be encouraged at Dyrham. It should be a lot of fun!

If you're interested, please contact Ali Coles on 01453 753355 or email ali.coles@btinternet.com as soon as possible (and before the end of May). **Thank you!**



3rd Pucklechurch Rainbow Guide Unit

We currently have some spaces available for girls aged 5 to 7 years old. If your daughter is not yet 5 years, we can also put her name on our waiting list.

We have a weekly session of one hour using the official Girl Guiding UK 'Look, Learn, Laugh, Love' programme. The girls learn about the world around them, and about caring for others. They visit people and places, make new friends, play games, make crafts and have fun!

If you would like to know more, please contact one of our Leaders:

Joanna Wallis 0117 9574119

Maria Card 0117 9374487

Or email: thirdpucklechurchrainbows@hotmail.com

St Thomas à Beckett Church Services

"St Thomas a Becket Church welcomes everyone to all services and activities. Children of all ages are always welcome as well as their parents and grandparents. Here is a list of our regular activities and some of the special events and festivals over the coming months. Do feel free to come along or if you would like to find out more, ask Chris Moore (Rebecca's Mum in Yr 4) or Julie Gardner (Hannah's Mum in Yr 3) or ring Stuart Young (our vicar) on 0117 937 2260.

Weekly events:

Last three Sundays of the month at 10.00am: Communion (you do not have to take communion!) with organ and choir and Junior Church (Sunday School) for 4-11 year olds, run by CRB checked adults – babies welcome – there are toys at the back of Church for toddlers

First Sunday of the month 10.00am: Family service/All age worship with Kevin on guitar. The Junior Church share what they have been learning with the congregation.

Normally every final Sunday of the month: Youth Group at the Vicarage for Yr 6 children upwards – fun and games and the chance to ask questions about Christianity 6.00-8.00pm. Ring the vicarage to find out more on: 937 2260 or just turn up.

Next one is likely to be near Pancake Day (16th Feb)

Every Thursday evening – 7.30-8.00pm – the Church is open and available for prayer – quiet music, a Bible reading to inspire reflection and private or shared prayer, as wished – with James Gardner.

Every Friday 7.00-8.00pm – Choir practice in Church – we are a friendly bunch and enjoy singing traditional and modern hymns – come along and give us a try! You don't need to attend Church every Sunday when you join!