

29th April, 2010

Dear Parents,

April/May 2010 NEWSLETTER



Grounds party

The Governors 'site' committee would like to invite everyone to take part in some gardening on the school grounds on Saturday 22nd May from 2pm til 4pm. We have some shrub clearing and tidying to do that will make the school grounds look even better. Please let the office know if you are able to come along and help.

Mrs Tonks and Mr Osman

Mrs Tonks will be returning from her maternity leave on Monday 7th June straight after the next half-term holiday. That means we will be saying goodbye to Mr Osman who has made a great contribution to our school this year. He will be missed and we will make sure we say a proper farewell at the end of the term.

Mrs Riggs settling in class 1

Mrs Riggs has now started in class 1 on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. She is getting to know the school very quickly and you will often see her in the playground before school on those days so please say hello.

Mrs Baird leaving

I am sorry to say that Mrs Baird will be leaving us in May. She has been working at the school as cleaner in charge since 1996 and was a dinner lady before that! She will be sorely missed as she has been a vital part of the school and your child's education. We wish her well in the future. If you know of anyone who might be interested in replacing Mrs Baird, please

look on the county website or ask for details at the school office.

New Teaching Assistant

There will be an advert placed on the county job website for an additional teaching assistant to work in the school. If you are a qualified TA and are interested in five mornings work each week, please look online or pop in to the school office for more information.

Oscars tombola

Oscars are holding a stall at the Town Hall Teas on Sunday 16th May. They would appreciate some donations for their tombola so please look out a prize or two and drop it in to the school office. Thank you.

SATs

As you may have seen in the press, the head teacher unions are boycotting the SATs this year. This will have very little impact on our children other than the fact that the Year 6 children will not have the pressure of tests and the teachers can get on with making the learning exciting and stimulating.

Communication with Beaumont, France

Following an e-mail I sent, we have had some letters from the children at a school in Beaumont le Roger in France, the town Wotton is twinned with. As the year goes on we will be finding out more about each other and the children will have the chance to see how schools work in France and try out their French!

Cycling proficiency

Previously taken in Year 6, this is the first time that the Year 5 children have completed their cycling proficiency. This will continue next year. The Governors have been discussing whether we should encourage more cycling to school and your opinions are always valued so please use the comment box for this or any item and return it to the office.

PTA news

Programme front competition

You will have had a letter about the June Fling programme competition today. Please encourage your child to have a go at a design on the topic of 'Flags'. All entries get a prize and the winners have their design on the front of the programme.

Volcano

I would like to thank everyone for their concern about staff affected by the Icelandic volcano.

Mrs Clarkson, Mrs Jenner and myself are now all up and running after our disrupted holidays. Thank you also to everyone who lent a hand during the first week to make sure everything ran smoothly. Your help is always greatly appreciated, so don't forget to mention to class teachers if you have an hour to spend in school.

Yours sincerely,

Mr T P Hiatt
Headteacher

The British School Dates for your diary	
Monday 3 rd May	School closed - May Day
Tuesday 11 th May	7pm Governors' Meeting
Wednesday, 26 th May	School closes
Monday 7 th June - Friday 23 rd July 2010	Term 6
Monday 7 th June	3.30pm Inset Twilight (no clubs) / 5pm Finance -Staffing Meeting
Wednesday 9 th June	10am - 11.30am Swimming week 1 Wotton Pool 5pm Pupil Matters / 6.30pm Site Matters
Monday 14 th June	6pm Year 6 Residential Meeting
Tuesday 15 th June	6pm Y4 Residential Meeting
Wednesday 16 th June	6pm New Parents' Meeting
Saturday 19 th June	June Fling
Monday 21 st June	7pm Governors' Meeting - Training Session
Friday 25 th June	School photographs - Classes, Teams, Leavers
Friday 2 nd July	Year 4 Residential weekend - Bude
Monday 5 th July	Year 6 Residential week - Croft Farm
Monday 12 th July	3.30pm Twilight Inset (no clubs)
Thursday 15 th July	5.30pm - 7.00pm Open / Music Evening
Friday 16 th July	Leavers' Assembly
Monday 19 th July	Pm Year 6 Cattle Country
Tuesday 20 th July	Sports Day
Friday 23 rd July	2.30pm School closes
Monday 6 th September - Friday 22 nd October 2010	Term 1 (2010/2011)
Monday 1 st November - Friday 17 th December 2010	Term 2 (2010/2011)
Wednesday, 5 th January - Friday 8 th February 2011	Term 3 2011
Monday 28 th February - Friday 8 th April, 2011	Term 4 2011
Tuesday 26 th April - Friday 27 th May, 2011	Term 5 2011 (Please note there will be one extra Inset Day - to be confirmed)
Monday 6 th June - Friday 22 nd July 2011	Term 6

Comment Box