

Much More News

26th September 2008

Dear Parents

It has been a very busy start to the term as I am sure you are aware. The reception children have settled in like ducklings to water and their older Buddies are enjoying looking after them in the playground. As usual there were plenty of volunteers to take on this responsible role.

Buddy Bench

You may have seen the beautifully painted Buddy Bench by the sunny wall at the back of the school, painted to Alice Unthank's design. The bench was bought by the school council with funds they raised. They have been a very successful council elected by the whole school in last year's 'real elections'. On Monday in assembly we thanked them for all they have done this year. This year's elections will take place on Thursday October 23rd. It is a very exciting event for everyone in school and we look forward to some interesting campaigning from children in years 2-6.

Violin Lessons

Years 3 and 4 have begun violin lessons with Mrs Josie Bedford-Davies. This is a wonderful opportunity for every pupil in class three to learn to play the violin and read music, funded by a New Opportunities grant. We are very pleased to be able to offer this to our pupils and I would like to thank Mrs Bedford-Davies

for her enthusiasm and commitment to music in school.

Nursery

Our nursery has been painted over the summer thanks to Mrs Barrow and Mr Farnell. Mrs Barrow raised the money with the support of Barclays Bank and their staff even came along to do the painting during August. Thank you to everyone involved in this project.

The nursery would be pleased to have donations of early years' jigsaw puzzles. If you have any please see Mrs Barrow, Mrs Heath or Mrs Park.

Web Site

We are pleased to inform you of an exciting plan to develop our web site. Mrs Park and I met with a designer who specialises in school web sites. We have big plans for a site which will provide a real picture of what is happening in school. It will take a while to compile the information for each page but we do have a "going live" date towards the end of term.

Parking

A regular reminder about parking with due regard for our neighbours and each other. Please respect the dropping off zone and only use it to let your children out of the car. (It is the area from the school gate to the first telegraph pole.) Do not stop there and leave your car as it is meant to keep a flow of traffic **AS WE ALL KNOW THE YELLOW ZONE IS TO BE KEPT CLEAR AT ALL TIMES.**

FAST Club

Mrs Vine and Mr Gould are working very well together to provide Fun After School Time for children who need after school care (and for those who persuade their parents to allow them to stay). Fast Club is available from 3.15 to 5 pm every day. If you need to book your child in at short notice please telephone Mrs Park who is always happy to add a name to the list.

Photographs

This year we have changed from Tempest to Fotek for our school photographs. I do hope you are pleased with the new style. Fotek will be in school on Saturday 4th of October to take family pictures. If you have not sent in a form for an appointment please do so by Monday 29th September to confirm numbers.

Harvest

Our Harvest Festival will be on Friday 3rd October at 2pm. The whole school will be performing and as usual everyone is welcome. This is a change to the original date as the church will be undergoing renovation work later in the month.

Please send in dried goods for your child's harvest contribution. We do appreciate the generosity of every family in the school at this festival. Please remember that your child will have to carry their gift to the church so not too heavy please!

Lost Property

We have quite a few sweatshirts etc in our Lost Property Box. If your child has lost a

sweatshirt please come in and have a look in the box. It is extremely important to label your child's school clothing to ensure their new sweatshirts are not lost.

IMPORTANT DATES

September

30th Writing Day

October

1st PTA AGM

3rd Harvest Festival

4th Fotek Family Photos

7th ACTS II Assembly

9th Class 4 Woodland Trip

11th Apple Teas Weekend

14th Football/Netball fixtures -
Ledbury Primary

15th Class 4 Language Day - Malvern
St James (DO NOT ORDER
LUNCHESES)

16th Pampered Chef Evening

17th Crucial Crew

23rd School Council Elections

23rd Football/Netball fixtures -
Eastnor Primary

27th October - 31 October HALF TERM

November

4th ACTS II Assembly

10th European Teachers in School

11th Football/Netball fixtures - Bosbury

28th - 4th December Book Fair

December

10th School Play

11th School Play

12th Lego Experience

17th School Christmas Lunch

19th Pantomime - Malvern Theatre

19th Break Up Today

January

7th Back to School