



NEWSLETTER 3

20th October 2017

Dear Parents/Carers

HALF TERM

Next week is half term and the children will return to school on Monday 30 October.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

You will have received proofs of your child's photographs recently taken. Please can we ask that any orders are returned to school by Wednesday 1 November. We will be unable to take any orders after this date, and parents will have to order direct from Fraser Portraits, and this may incur additional charges.

SCHOOL COMMUNITY:

PARENT VIEW

All parents are encouraged to visit Parent View, and complete an online questionnaire. If you have ten minutes to spare, please follow the link from our website under "Parents and Carers" - we like to know how we are getting on and what we can do to improve our school!

RECEPTION LITERACY MEETING FOR PARENTS

The Literacy meeting for Reception parents held on Monday 9 October was very well attended - thank you and we hope you found it informative. We have what will hopefully be an enjoyable evening of book sharing coming up - look out for details after half term.

PARENTS EVENINGS

Foundation Stage, KS1 and KS2 parents' evenings were all well attended this week - thank you! If you were unable to meet with your child's class teacher for any reason, do get in touch to arrange a date after half term.

COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Thank you for all the donations for this term. Harvest Festival which was very well supported- your gifts were gratefully received by the St. Petrocks Centre who are always impressed with the generosity of our families and staff. Similarly, Jeans for Genes Day and the parent café coffee morning to help Macmillan Fund both raised much-needed funds, raising £263.85 and £93.70 respectively so thank you!

FUNDRAISING BY YEAR 5

Well done to some of our Year 5 children, who held a cake sale to raise money for charities that help animals. Sky, Eva, Holly, Inez, Poppy, Martha, Teni, Abby and Lucy worked really hard to plan the sale themselves. After selling a whole table full of cakes, they raised an impressive £96 pounds!

INTER SCHOOL SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

Our school was a winner in the Inter School Summer Reading Challenge and has won £100 worth of book vouchers donated by the Friends of St Thomas Library. A big thank you to the children who took part - and well done!

LEAVING US TODAY

Mrs Sweeney is leaving us today for pastures new and we wish her and her family all the best for the future.

TWITTER

Don't forget to check our website, which now includes a Twitter feed for latest news.

REMINDERS:

LOST PROPERTY

Please ensure that you name ALL school clothing as we continue to get a lot of unnamed clothes as well as other items such as lunch boxes, shoes, etc. The lost property box is currently emptied each Tuesday and any clothes without a name are then removed, washed and eventually go on sale at reduced prices.

ADVENTURE PLAYGROUND

At the end of the school day, any children who are playing on the adventure playground are the responsibility of their parent/carer. The children know that they should not run whilst using the adventure playground.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS:

Next half term will no doubt fly by with information about Christmas events being sent out after half term. However, in case you are updating your diaries over half term, the dates for the Nativities and Christingles have been confirmed and are as follows:

Friday 1 December - 6.30 p.m. Foundation Stage Nativity

Monday 4 December - 9.30 a.m. and 6.30 p.m. Foundation Stage Nativities

Tuesday 12 December - KS1 Christingle performances (morning and afternoon performances)

Wednesday 13 December - KS2 Christingle performances (morning and afternoon performances)

Next Friday Feast: Friday 3 November - Miss Lawes, Miss Richards and Miss Shields.

Next Class Assembly: Friday 10 November - Mr Roddy's class.

Have a good break

Miss Caren Brooks

Headteacher

Don't forget to keep checking our website which we update with news, photos and links - www.bowhill.devon.sch.uk