



Newsletter

Dear Parents/Friends/Guardians

29th January 2010



Staffing

Congratulations to Mrs Williams and her husband who had a baby boy named Noah on 19th January.

Congratulations to Miss Young who is expecting a baby in May and will be going on maternity leave at the end of April. As always, our priority is the education of the children and we have already advertised for maternity cover. I am sure you would like to join me in congratulating Miss Young on her exciting news and wishing her well for the future.

We welcome Mrs Hodgson as a new LSA in Hawthorn Class working in the mornings.



Annual Meeting of the Governing Body

The Governing Body will be holding their Annual Meeting with parents at 7pm on Tuesday 9th February 2010 in the school hall. Please come along and find out who we are and what we do. You will also hear from the Headteacher and members of staff, who will tell you about our latest results and plans for the future.

If there are any particular aspects of our work that you would like to hear about or any specific questions that you would like to ask us, then please email them to me at leanda@grobson.com. We look forward to seeing you on the 9th.
Leanda Robson, Chairman of Governors



School Calendars

We have a few school calendars left over which we are selling at a substantially reduced price of £3.00 for A3 or £2.00 for A4. Please ask at the school office if you wish to purchase any.



FOB Cake Sale - Friday 5th February

FOB are organizing another cake sale to raise funds for the school, which will be held at the stamping shelter on Friday 5th February at 3.15pm. Year 2 parents are donating cakes for this sale, but if any parents or staff in addition to Year 2 parents would like to donate cakes for the sale, we would be grateful to receive them.

For parents with a child who suffers from food allergies and intolerances we will have a separate table at the cake sale especially for these children. If you would like your child to be able to purchase a cake that is suitable for their dietary needs, please bring wrapped and clearly labelled cakes for your child to the stamping shelter at 3.10pm on 5th February.



Message from the School Travel Committee

1. Thank you to all who filled out our annual travel survey. The lucky winner of the £20 Saddle Safari voucher was Ella Barnard, Sycamore class.
To summarise the comments made on the forms:

- Parking/turning, especially around Squirrel Rise and Kingsley Drive, is still causing huge concern from parents. PLEASE do not park on corners and PLEASE find somewhere safe to turn around. It is an accident waiting to happen, as children simply aren't tall enough to have the views that we have!
- Parking on the pavements was commented on numerous times. It may not be illegal to park on pavements BUT it is not safe and certainly not considerate to pavement users.
- Some scooters are still going too fast. PLEASE ensure that you are considerate to all, especially younger children and dogs as they are unpredictable.

2. Our next 'Walk to school' week is Mon 8th Feb to Friday 12th Feb. More details to follow.

3. Calling all KS1 parents - we need more Footsteps tutors please!! The next training morning is on Thurs 4th March - please contact Vanessa Hill (via the school office) for more details.

4. Lastly, we need more stampers! Please contact Antje Grosswendt (via the school office) for more details. It is only a fortnightly commitment for 20 minutes or so.

Many thanks.

The STP Team



Achievements

Well done to Matthew Crane who passed his Grade 1 Piano Exam with distinction! Also well done to George Longhurst who won a trophy for being the best under 10 boy swimmer in the Club Championships, he had to swim in nine races, coming 1st in eight of the races and 2nd in one. Well done to Harvey Ashley for getting a special rosette for horse riding from the Grove Equitation Centre.



Attention all netball ladies

There is an interschool netball tournament being organised to take place in March. I have been asked to gauge interest in getting a Burford team together so please let me know if you fancy rekindling your school days!!

Dorn Kipping

Tel 474483



The children raised a magnificent £1277.88 for the sponsored spell in aid of the NSPCC. Well done everybody. If there are any outstanding forms please take them to the school office as soon as possible.



School Sport Kits

Please can any children still in possession of a school sports kit, return it to Mr Garner as soon as possible.



FOB

Thank you so much to FOB who have paid for synchronized clocks to be put up in all parts of the school. This will mean everybody's clock is set at the same time – which should ensure a smoother running of the school day – and hopefully everybody out on time!



Wasps –discount tickets

Forms for discount tickets for the following matches are available from the school office: London Wasps v Llanelli Scarlets on Saturday 30th January kick off 5.45pm and London Wasps v Sale Sharks on Sunday 14th February kick off 4.30pm.



New or amended dates in bold

Dates for your Diary

Friday 5th February

Saturday 6th February

Monday 8th February

Tuesday 9th February

Friday 12th February

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Monday 22nd February

Tuesday 23rd February

Wednesday 24th February

Thursday 25th February

Thursday 25th February

Thursday 4th March

Friday 5th March

Monday 8th March

Friday 12th March

Wednesday 17th March

Friday 19th March

Tuesday 23rd March

Wednesday 24th March

Thursday 25th March

Friday 26th March

Wednesday 31st March

Thursday 1st April

Monday 19th April

Monday 26th April

Friday 30th April

Monday 10th May

Friday 14th May

Monday 17th May

Friday 21st May

Thursday 27th May

Friday 28th May

Monday 7th June

Friday 11th June

Monday 14th June

Tuesday 15th June

Friday 18th June

Monday 21st June

Tuesday 22nd June

Wednesday 23rd June

Friday 25th June

Monday 28th June

Tuesday 29th June

Tuesday 29th June

Friday 2nd July

Monday 5th July

Tuesday 6th July

Wednesday 7th July

Thursday 8th July

Friday 9th July

Tuesday 13th July

Wednesday 14th July

Thursday 15th July

Wednesday 21st July

Pine Class Assembly 8.50-9.20am

FOB Curry and Ceilidh Evening

Walk to School Week

Creative Week

Annual Governors meeting for parents

'Dragons in Europe' visiting Y3 am only

'B' Factor Final PM

FOB Hot Dog Day

End of first Half-term

Term Starts

Year 2 trip to Wycombe Swan to see 'Joseph'

Parents Evening 4.00 – 7.00pm

Year 5 Astronomy Roadshow

Parents Evening 4.00 – 7.00pm

Year 1 visit to Look Out Discovery Centre, Bracknell

Chestnut Class Assembly 8.50-9.20am

Year 4 to Living Rainforest near Newbury

Cedar Class Assembly 8.50-9.20am

Year 3 Choir perform Energize at Wycombe Swan 7pm

Sycamore Class Assembly 8.50-9.20am

Parent Forum 2.15-3.15pm

LKS2 Concert 1.00 – 3.00pm

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Cherry Class Assembly 8.50-9.20

KS2 African Drumming Concert

End of Term 1.30pm

Term Starts

Y5 PGL to Osmington Bay

Oak Class Assembly 8.50 – 9.20am

KS2 SATs week

Parent Forum

Y6 PGL to Barton Hall

Juniper Class Assembly 8.50 – 9.20am

End of first Half-term

Training Day

Term starts

Beech Class Assembly 8.50 – 9.20am

KS1 Sports Day 9.30 – 1.00 (inc. picnic lunch)

KS2 Sports Day 9.30 – 3.00 (inc. picnic lunch)

Sequoia Class Assembly 8.50 – 9.20am

Reserve KS1 Sports Day 9.30 – 1.00 (inc. picnic lunch)

Reserve KS2 Sports Day 9.30 – 3.00 (inc. picnic lunch)

Ward-Hendry class/team photographs

Elm Class Assembly 8.50 – 9.20am

Parent Forum

Reserve KS1 Sports Day 9.30 – 1.00 (inc. picnic lunch)

Reserve KS2 Sports Day 9.30 – 3.00 (inc. picnic lunch)

11+ meeting for Y5 parents 7.00 – 8.00pm

Holly Class Assembly 8.50 – 9.20am

Reports out

Helping Parents Tea Party

Induction Day

Open Evening 6.00 – 8.00pm

Summer music concert

Willow Class Assembly 8.50 – 9.20am

UKS2 Concert 7.00 – 9.00pm

UKS2 Concert 1.00 – 3.00pm

UKS2 Concert 7.00 – 9.00pm

Term Ends 1.30pm

Academic Year 2010/2011

Wednesday 1 st September	Training Day
Thursday 2 nd September	Term starts
Friday 22 nd October	First half-term ends
Monday 1 st November	Training Day
Tuesday 2 nd November	Term starts
Friday 17 th December	Term ends
Tuesday 4 th January	Training Day
Wednesday 5 th January	Term starts
Friday 18 th February	End of first Half-term
Monday 28 th February	Term starts
Friday 8 th April	Term ends
Wednesday 27 th April	Term starts
Friday 27 th May	End of first half-term
Monday 6 th June	Training Day
Tuesday 7 th June	Term starts
Friday 22 nd July	Term Ends

Yours Sincerely



**Mrs. K Whittington
Headteacher**

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