

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH PARENTS

Dear Parents, Carers, Pupils and Friends

DATE: 15th May 2009

CONGRATULATIONS to.....

Our Year 6 children, who have today completed their SATS!

The children have worked extremely hard over the past few months practising for these tests. I am sure all of the hard work will have been worthwhile.

We are all very proud of how the children have dealt with these tests.

I would like to thank the parents for helping the children get to school on time and ensuring they have attended school every day.

Many thanks.

CONGRATULATIONS also to....

Our Year 2 children who have also completed their SATS this week.

There has been a lot of hard work undertaken by all of the children.

HEAD LICE - REMINDER

Can I please ask parents to check for Head Lice and take the appropriate action if any nits or lice are found.

The School Nurse can offer advice on treatments currently available.



The only way we can keep the problem under control is to check hair on a regular basis.

Hopefully, if we work together, we can tackle the problem!

CHILDREN FROM NURSERY will be visiting the Library on Wednesday morning.

Parent helpers are warmly welcomed. If you are able to accompany the children on this visit please let Mrs Storey know.



A POLITE REMINDER FOR RECEPTION PARENTS

As we are now well into the summer term can I please ask Reception parents to allow their children to line up on the school yard to be taken into school by the class teacher.

This is to encourage children to become independent in preparation for their transition into Year 1 after the summer holidays.

UNIFORM ORDERS FOR SEPTEMBER

Each child will receive a uniform order form today. As mentioned in last Friday's Newsletter orders for September must be placed by the beginning of June to ensure your child's uniform will arrive in school before September.

Can I please ask you to place your orders by Monday, 1st June at the latest to guarantee delivery. Orders will be placed after this date, however, delivery cannot be guaranteed.

I would like to remind you that you can still purchase uniform from other retailers.

If you would like any advice on uniform please call into school.



Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

HALF-TERM HOLIDAY AND OCCASIONAL DAY

Just to remind parents that the summer half-term holiday commences 3.20pm next Friday, 22nd May. Can I also let you know that our remaining occasional day will be taken on Monday, 6th July.

CONSENT FORMS FOR TRIPS

We are having a few problems at the moment with parents who are not returning Consent Forms for trips.

These forms are a Health and Safety requirement whenever children are taken off the school premises on trips.

If we do not receive a Consent Form, and we are unable to gain permission on the day of the trip, then the child will not be allowed to go and will have to remain in school.

I am sure you will agree with me that the children thoroughly enjoy the experiences they gain on these trips, therefore, please help us comply with legal requirements by returning your child's Consent Form as soon as possible after you receive notification about a school visit.



PARENTAL QUESTIONNAIRES

You have recently received a Parental Questionnaire. Can I please ask you to complete the Questionnaire and return it to school as soon as possible to enable me to analyse the responses?

Once we have had the chance to analyse your responses we will use your suggestions, where possible, to continue to make improvements in our school.

ATTENDANCE FIGURES

This week's attendance figures are:

Reception— 89.5%, 1B—91.6%, 2W— 99.3%, 3L— 93.2%, 4C— 94.5%, 5D—98.4% 6C—99.0% and 6F—100%.

The attendance prize was again won by Miss Ford's class! Our whole school attendance is 95.68% which is just below our school target of 96%. With your help we will continue to work to improve our attendance

As a reward Miss Ford's class will receive 10 minutes free time and will have the attendance rosette, cup and mascot for a week.



AND FINALLY I would like to thank you for your continued support.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Head Teacher



BLAYDON WEST PRIMARY SCHOOL HOLIDAY DATES 2009-2010

School Closes - 3.20pm

School Re-opens - 8.55am

Autumn Term

Autumn Half-Term Holiday

Christmas Holiday

Spring Half-Term Holiday

Easter Holiday

Summer Half-Term Holiday

Summer Holidays

Friday, 23rd October 2009

Friday, 18th December 2009

Friday, 12th February 2010

Thursday, 1st April 2010

Friday, 28th May 2010

Friday, 23rd July 2010

Monday, 7th September 2009

Monday, 2nd November 2009

Monday, 4th January 2010

Monday, 22nd February 2010

Monday, 19th April 2010

Monday, 7th June 2010

In addition to the above dates school will be closed to pupils on Monday, 3rd May 2010 (May Day Bank Holiday). **Two additional days will be notified later for teacher training days. One occasional day will be utilised for the purpose of closure in the event of Government elections. Any changes to the above dates will be notified as and when they occur.**