

# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

## WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH PARENTS

Dear Parents, Carers, Pupils and Friends

DATE: 19th June 2009

### HMI MONITORING INSPECTION

On Wednesday and Thursday this week we had a further monitoring inspection by HMI. We received brief verbal feedback following the inspection. The visit went very well, however, until the report has been verified by Ofsted the contents must remain confidential. As soon as the report is available we will make the findings available to you.

### SAFETY WARNING

I have had a phone call from a member of the public expressing concern about an incident she witnessed on Tuesday morning.

Whilst travelling down Blaydon Bank in her car she was worried when she saw a very small child crossing the road at the zebra crossing unaccompanied. She looked around to see if there was an adult with this child but by the time she pulled away from the crossing there was still no-one with the child.

Can I please take this opportunity to remind you that Blaydon Bank is a very busy road and all children should be escorted across the road at the zebra crossing.

There have been several occasions where parents and children are crossing the road on the bank as opposed to using the crossing.

For the safety of your children, and also to teach children how to cross roads safely, can you please make sure that you use the crossing and escort your children onto the school premises.

Many thanks for your co-operation in this matter.



### YEAR 4 PARENTS' EVENING

I would like to let Year 4 parents know that we have arranged A Parents' Evening for Wednesday, 1st July 2009.

You will receive a letter from Miss Simpson regarding the arrangements for the Parents' Evening very soon. Those children working with Mrs Clamp will have the opportunity to speak with her after seeing Miss Simpson.

In the meantime, if there is anything you are concerned about please remember you can call in and speak to Miss Simpson, Mrs Clamp or myself at any time.

### MMR VACCINATION

Following a recent rise in the number of children contracting Measles the Government intend running a "catch up" programme to vaccinate children who have not already been vaccinated against this potentially serious disease.

The Government have identified that 1 in 5 children in some schools have not had this vaccination.

You will shortly receive a letter asking whether you wish your child to be vaccinated.

The school nurses will carry out the vaccinations on the school premises, however, it is my understanding that parents will have to attend school when the vaccinations are taking place.

Once I have further details, and the consent letter, I will contact you again.

### **SCHOOL UNIFORM ORDERS**

I would like to let you know that, following the letter you received earlier this week, we are now unable to accept any more orders for school uniform due to the fact the supplier cannot guarantee delivery before the summer holidays.

Can I remind you that you do not have to purchase uniform from our supplier.

Uniform can be purchased from major department stores and also from Asda, Tesco etc.

If you have any problem with this please do not hesitate to call in and speak to Mrs Nacey or Mrs Robinson.

### **CONGRATULATIONS TO.....**

Brooke Robson from Nursery who won this week's book draw. This week we raised £10.00 towards buying new books for the Nursery. I am sure your children will all be enjoying the new books we have already purchased. Please continue to support us to enable us to provide the children with stimulating, exciting books for them to develop a love of reading!



### **PLEASE TRY AND WATCH**

The ITV Local News tonight—Some of our children have been interviewed this morning for an article on Father's Day! Hopefully, it will be screened tonight!



### **AND FINALLY**

I hope the weather stays fine and that you all have a wonderful weekend!



Head Teacher

### **ATHLETICS FESTIVAL**

Miss Lewin has asked me to remind children who have been chosen to attend the Athletics Festival next Friday to return their consent forms as soon as possible.



Failure to return the form will result in your child not being able to take part in the Festival.

### **ATTENDANCE FIGURES**

This week's attendance figures are:  
Reception— 89.5%, 1B— 93.8%, 2W— 96.1%, 3L— 89.6%, 4C— 99.3%, 5D— 92.5% 6C—90.5% and 6F— 86.7%.

The attendance prize was won by Year 4. Our whole school attendance is 92.25% which is well below our school target. With your help we will continue to work to improve our attendance

As a reward Year 4 will receive 10 minutes free time and will have the attendance rosette, cup and mascot for a week.

### **YEAR 3 VISIT TO BEDE'S WORLD**

Miss Lewin's class enjoyed their visit to Bede's World yesterday where they learned about Anglo Saxons and Village settlers.



I would like to stress the benefits from educational activities such as these visits. The children really enjoy the experience and, once again, the staff at Bede's World commented on how well behaved the children were!

**CAN I TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO REMIND YOU THAT SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED FOR AN OCCASIONAL DAY ON MONDAY. 6TH JULY 2009**