

East Brent Church of England First School Newsletter

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7th May 2008

Hedgehogs Class: are going to have a picnic lunch on Brent Knoll this Friday. Please wear old clothes and bring a waterproof coat and hat or sun hat and sun screen whichever is appropriate for the weather conditions.

Year 4 residential trip to The Beacon Centre: Please be in school on Tuesday between 8.30 and 8.45 am. Meet in the school hall, please give money £2 for the Lynton walk to Mrs K Wright and £3 for the souvenir shop to Ms Hare, any medicines to be given in a named bag to Ms Hare. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask.

Year 3 trip to Greatwood: I will be taking the Year 3's to Greatwood, on the Quantocks on Thursday 15th May, this is to look at the forest in action, to walk on the hills, play in the stream and have a picnic at Ramscombe picnic site. The children will need a substantial packed lunch with drink; old clothes; old shoes or trainers; waterproof coat and Wellington boots (in an named plastic bag). We will leave school at 9.15 am and return for 3.15 pm. A donation of £7 would be appreciated to go towards the cost of the coach, the school will pay the balance. Please complete the reply slip below.

Special Person Church Service: Our next church assembly will be on Wednesday 4th June at 9 am in St. Mary's Church and we are encouraging the children to invite a 'Special Person' to come along to that service and then to spend an hour in school with them. Children can invite their grandparents, god parents, aunts, uncles, neighbours or parents. Father Martin will lead the worship and then the guests can join the children for their first lesson and playtime. There will then be coffee in the hall.

Cycle Awareness Sessions: A team of 3 parents have undergone training to deliver cycle awareness sessions in school. This will not involve the children in riding bicycles on the road, it will be totally within the school playground and field. The cost of the course is £5 per child. The course lasts for 7 weeks from Friday 6th June through to Friday 18th July. Each session lasts from 3.30 pm to 4.15 pm. The first session on June 6th will involve a bike and helmet check. In the first instance we are opening this to Year 4's and then down through the age groups. It should be possible to open it to further year groups in the Autumn. Please complete the slip overleaf if your child would be interested in taking part.

Hedgehogs Class: have published their own book of myths entitled 'How animals came to be'. They have written the myths and illustrated them. The book costs £4 and would make a really good present for grandparents!!

Open Evening: This is a preliminary notice of a forthcoming Open Evening on Tuesday 17th June 2008 from 5.30 pm - 7 pm more details to follow.

Class Photos: are being taken on Wednesday 21st May at 9.15 am.

Field: As the weather is improving the children are keen to use the field, if they bring in old trainers or Wellington boots in a labelled plastic bag then they can play on the field.

East Brent Pre-School: have a vacancy for a Pre-school Assistant for two mornings each week; pay band is currently £6-£7 per hour reviewed annually. NVQ level II or equivalent (or working towards). For more information please contact Mrs Diana Morgan on 07974756977. (see notice board)

Breakfast Club: is available every morning £2.50 per day from 7.50 am. There is no requirement to prior book or make a regular commitment, just turn up and use it as it suits you.

Monday Sports Club and Thursday Club: Miss Claridge is away from 12th May - 23rd - after this week there will be no more clubs with Miss Claridge until after half term.

Bags to School: Please start collecting now for the next Bags to School collection on Friday 20th June, bags will be issued as soon as they arrive.

Volunteer: We are looking for someone to help to clear out the pond, it has become very overgrown and we need some help to carefully remove some of the plants without disturbing the newts!! If you can help please see Ms Hare.

Invitation Books: Thank you to Mrs Tanya Roberts for organising this; £60 was raised.

Bev Meredith has now been given the role of Parent Support and Advice Worker, she is available to talk to about any issues that cause concern to you or your children, you can contact her on mobile phone number 07825904295 or if you would like to meet her she will be in school on Tuesday 10th June at 2.30 pm together with Sue Tanner the school nurse.

If you have any questions or concerns at any time please talk to us, we are here to work in partnership with you to provide the best possible education for your children.

Heather Hector (Mrs)
Headteacher

Diary Dates:

13 th May	Residential trip to The Beacon Centre - Year 4's
15 th May	Year 3 visit to Greatwood
4 th June	Special Person - Church Assembly 9 am St. Mary's Church
6 th June	Cycle awareness course begins - bike and helmet check
10 th June	Bev Meredith & Sue Tanner in school 2.30 pm in the hall, please drop in to talk to them.
17 th June	Open Evening for new, prospective and old parents, 5.30 pm - 7 pm
23 rd June	Inset Day
1 st July	Transfer Day - details to follow

4th July Summer Fun Evening from 5.30 pm sports, games, ice creams, pig roast, drinks and fun!
9th July The Planets - parents and children illustrated talk by Emma Richards details to follow.
15th/16th July The Giant Slayer - summer production
19th July St. Mary's Church Fete
23rd July Leavers Service - St. Mary's Church 9.30 am

TO: EAST BRENT 1ST SCHOOL
Year 3 Visit to Greatwood: Thursday, 15th May 2008

I give permission for my child to visit Greatwood and enclose a donation of £7.00

Signed: Date:

TO: EAST BRENT 1ST SCHOOL
Year 4 Cycle Awareness Sessions: Friday, 6th June 2008

My child is interested in taking part in these sessions

Signed: Date:
