

East Brent Church of England First School

Newsletter

Newsletter Number 8

Wednesday, 13th December 2006

Mrs Kelly is still not well enough to return to school and so we are looking to appoint an extra teacher for the spring term to support Koala's class. Mr Chapman will be teaching Koala's class until the end of term and Mrs Young is able to begin the spring term until the appointment is made.

The new Parent Governor is Mr I Beretvas, who was elected unopposed. Thank you Mr Beretvas.

Christmas Celebration: Friday 15th December - in St. Mary's Church 6 pm start. Please could children be in their classrooms by 5.30 pm in school uniform unless they have been told otherwise. We are not using the Lady Chapel this year, we will use the central part of the church. There will be a retiring collection that will be split between The Children's Society and Promise to Africa. After the service the children will go back to their classrooms and parents are asked to collect them from there. As we need to clear the church on Friday evening, please could a few Dads help to carry back the stage blocks.

Christmas Parties: Monday 18th December - We will have a buffet lunch followed by games and dancing. In order to spread out the range of food please can we suggest that the following foods be brought in:-

Reception	Crisps or biscuits
Year 1	Sausages, sausage rolls or cheese and pineapple
Year 2	Sandwiches or filled rolls
Year 3	Cakes
Year 4	Bottles of squash, lemonade or fresh fruit

This list is just a guide and all contributions will be welcome. Children will not need a packed lunch that day. Children are welcome to wear play clothes on party day, but nothing too special!

Pantomime: Tuesday 19th December - The whole school will be attending the 10 am performance at The Playhouse, Weston super Mare. Please ensure that all children are in school uniform. We will be back in school for lunch. We will provide fruit and a drink for the interval. Everyone should be in school by 9 am.

Christmas Fayre: Thanks again to everyone who helped and supported this enjoyable event.

Assessment Books: Can you please send all assessment books back to school as soon as possible. Thanks.

Bags 2 School: We had a good response to this and all the bags were collected late on Thursday night. We will know how much we are getting after Christmas. Many thanks to all who contributed.

Santa Letters: Santa has been so busy writing all his letters, a big thank you to him and his helper!

Our Christmas Tree in the hall looks fantastic. It was lovely to have so many new decorations made by the children to put on the tree this year. The year group winners were Timothy Lee, Olivia Dolcezza, Matthew Dalton, Harry Maund and Sam Dalton and the overall winner was Olivia and she switched the lights on. A big thank you to Mr & Mrs Tremlett for donating the lovely tree.

Christmas Concert: Thank you to the children who performed & the parents who supported them with their practising & watching them. It was amazing to see the amount of concentration that is needed to read and play music.

Premier Trees are once again offering a payment to schools for trees bought from them, please support them if you can.

Kilve Court run a series of extension weekend courses for children in years 3/4. Henry & Tom have recently been on a maths challenge weekend and will tell you all about it. Please ask at the office for more details.

Spring Term: Key Stage 1 are working on the topic of Space which will include a visit to Technquest for a special Space exhibition.

Key Stage 2 will be looking at The Romans and Timelines.

After school clubs: There will be no more after school clubs this term.

Sports Club with Miss Claridge will continue on Monday's 3.15 - 4.15 pm

Music Club with Mrs Bowkett will continue on Tuesday's 3.15 - 4.15 pm, this term she will be concentrating on entries for the Burnham and Highbridge Festival of Arts.

Mrs Plummer will work with children at lunchtimes on their poetry entries for the festival.

PE Club with Miss Evans will continue on Wednesday's 3.15 - 4.15 pm, the cost for this club is £20 for the whole term. Please complete the slip below if you wish your child to take part in this club. If there are any Year 3 or 4 children who would like to join this club please feel free to join this term.

Thursday Club with Miss Claridge is for Years 3 and 4 will continue on Thursday's 3.15 - 4.15 pm.

Music lessons with Mrs Steady are continuing and will begin again on Thursday 11th January.

Outstanding monies for photos, pantomime and The Beacon Centre, if there are any difficulties with payments please let myself or Mrs Currie know.

As we occasionally have the odd case of head lice can I please remind you that all girls with shoulder length hair should have it tied back.

Severe Weather - In the case of very severe weather conditions please listen to Orchard FM who will give regular updates on school closures. For school information please telephone the following numbers between 8.15am and 8.45 am. Please don't ring before 8.15 as we have to get the correct information to the contacts.

If your child is in Breakfast Club and Year 4 - please phone Mrs Holmes on 01934 750592
 Year 3 - please phone Mrs Karen Wright on 01278 781996
 Year 2 - please phone Mrs. Pearman on 01278 782846
 Year 1 - please phone Mrs Dolcezza on 01278 769009
 Reception - please phone Mrs Lloyd Jones on 01278 760218

School closes on Wednesday 20th December at 3.15 pm and opens on Wednesday 3rd January. There will be no church service on the first day back, we will have our church assembly on Wednesday 10th January. May I thank you all for your support this term, and wish you and all your family a very happy and peaceful Christmas.

Heather Hector (Mrs)



TO: EAST BRENT FIRST SCHOOL

P E CLUB - WEDNESDAYS

I would like my child to take part and enclose £20.00 for the Spring Term.

Signed:..... Date: