



Wellow Weekly  
Newsletter 24: Thursday 1 April 2010

Dear Parents,

Weren't the children in Y5 and 6 wonderful last week? For those of you who were able to make it to Dance Umbrella at the Forum, it was a spectacular event. The children showed their rhythm and style with professionalism. They had a lovely time and represented the school very well. We are so proud of them. I want to say thank you to all who helped on the run up to the event and on the evening. Mrs Bev. Nichols trained the children in the Zappy Zumba dance and we are very grateful. Thank you too to Mrs Kendryna and Mrs Thomas, who supported at the Forum, and especially to Mrs Mapstone and Mrs Adams, who were with the children for the whole evening. I am also grateful to the rest of the staff who gave up their time to encourage and support the children at the Forum throughout the evening. Thank you, St Julian's. You are magnificent!

Over the last term, during Collective Worship, we have been learning about the meaning behind the words of the Lord's Prayer, using a beautiful piece of art to stimulate discussion. The children have created their own designs and have written the lines of the Lord's Prayer in their beautiful cursive script, which Mrs Cathy Beale has transferred onto the hall wall. Cathy is a professional who has freely given her time and resources to this project and I want to thank her for that. The prayer will be a reminder to the children of our learning together. Do ask them about it and find out what they think the lines mean - they had some very deep thoughts, I can tell you.

*Thank you Mrs Beale and Mrs Nichols, we are very lucky to have such generous and talented parents on our team.*

Thank you to all who attended the Easter Service in church yesterday. I am so proud of the children - they speak clearly and sing beautifully. I hope that the message of Easter has been clearly expressed to all - children and adults alike. The story we used supports the Rainbow Theatre group's very powerful performance last week. Did you manage to talk about it with your children? What were their thoughts and feelings?

Ami Pooles and Oliver Clark have been attending multisport training at Writhlington School over the last few months, along with many other children from our area. They were selected following a session in school earlier this year. Oliver Clark has been selected from this group to take part in a Multi Skill Academy at Bath University over the Easter break. Well done Oliver - all the best!

The barbecue drums that have been so well used in the past have seen better days, in fact they are quite rotten and need disposing of. Can anyone help with this, please? If you can, then they are in the car park and I would love them to disappear over the holidays if possible! **However this also means that we need some replacements!** Does anybody have (or know any one who has) some old oil drums that they could cut in half for us?

Thank you to all of you who have collected the vouchers in the Chronicle and persuaded others to collect for us too. I do hope that we will be able to give you some good news on our return to school after Easter. If you still have some vouchers to hand in please do so as soon as possible Ruth Brown has said that she will whisk them down to the Chronicle office on Thursday morning.

There will be yet another photo in the Chronicle this week and possibly the Somerset Guardian and Primary Times! The Riverford Organic Vegetable Scheme has just given the PTA a cheque for £58.18, bringing the total for the year to £167.79. This is for 5% commission on organic vegetable orders. **Do sign up for this scheme if you can - if we can get the number of weekly orders up to ten boxes or more, the school will receive 10%.**

All fundraising is being dedicated to the outside space projects we have on the go, in particular the development of a garden at the end of the car park. We need some volunteers to get this started after the Easter break. If you would be prepared to spend a few hours building raised beds for planting please let Jo Macinnes, Ruth Brown or Jackie Houdret know. Thank you.

Talking of parental contribution, Mr Hammerton has been very kindly erecting the nets for the times when our boys and Shoscombe boys have played at home on the village field. Thank you so much Mr Hammerton, we really appreciate it!

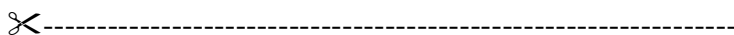
Thank you to all you supported Sport Relief last week. We have sent off a cheque for £109. The charitable giving in this school is astounding.

Can I remind everyone of the rule about sickness and **stomach bugs**. No child should return to school until 48 hours after the last bout of sickness or diarrhoea. Thank you for your continued vigilance in this matter. Speaking of bugs, I do hope that all children will be able to return to school free from the **headlice**. Please keep up the combing - if you **BREAK THEIR LEGS, THEY CAN'T LAY EGGS!**

I also need to remind parents that children should NOT be dropped off at school before 8.45am, when staff are available to ensure their safety.

*Jane Gascoigne, Headteacher*

## CUT OUT AND KEEP!



### READY RECKONER FOR SCHOOL DINNERS

*Please make cheques payable to B&NES. See over page for new arrangements.*

Days	Price	Days	Price	Weeks	Price
1	1.90	6	11.40	3	28.50
2	3.80	7	13.30	4	38.00
3	5.70	8	15.20	5	47.50
4	7.60	9	17.10	6	57.00
5	9.50	10	19.00	7	66.50

*Credit card style copies are available from the office. Ready Reckoners are also printed on the menus sent out by B&NES*



## CLUBS TERMS 5 & 6

Raph Burke's football club will be starting back on the first Monday of term, 19<sup>th</sup> April. Raph has not yet provided forms

Tag Rugby and Judo will start back on Wednesday, 21 April - letters will be available from the office.



Tennis Coaching will be extended to Y4 (as well as Y1-Y3) after Easter, on Tuesdays from 1230-1310 with Sam Kirby. The cost is £28 for ten weeks. **Places are limited and will be offered on a first come, first served basis**

**BUT THERE ARE STILL A PLACES AVAILABLE.** Please collect a form from the office.

## New Arrangements for Dinner Money IMPORTANT - PLEASE READ

As we said in last week's newsletter, starting on 19<sup>th</sup> April, parents must send in dinner money on the **first day** of every week (or month, if preferred) with a note of the days on which their child would like to have a school dinner. Please be assured that your account will be credited for any dinners not taken.



**Payments should be sent to school in marked envelopes (it doesn't have to be a new envelope) to the classroom and not to the office. If change is needed, this will be returned to you at the end of the day - make sure your envelope records the amount enclosed. PLEASE DO NOT EXPECT TO BE GIVEN CHANGE FROM THE OFFICE IN THE MORNINGS as this creates an unnecessary queue at the window.**

We hope everyone will be able to co-operate with this system, which is routine in other schools. We are aware that some children are forgetful about handing things in, but hope that together we can get them trained! Each class has its own arrangements - please check with your class teacher if you are not sure. B&NES are rumoured to be investigating online payments - we will let you know if anything comes of it.

Lucy Iley and Harry Evans from Class 3 are in a team called the **Wellow Wavemakers** entered in the 2010 Marie Curie Swimathon on 17th April at the Aquaterra pool in Bath. The challenge is for the team to swim 5 kilometres (200 lengths) between them. Harry and Lucy are going to swim as many lengths as they can, hopefully about 40 each, the other two team members, Harry's Mum and Lucy's Dad, will do the remaining lengths.

**Swimming this far will be a great challenge for Lucy and Harry and we really hope everyone will support them and this great charity by sponsoring the team!** If you would like to sponsor the team we will have a form up in the school hall and in the village shop or if you have internet access you can Google the 2010 Swimathon and follow the link to 'sponsor a swimmer' then enter the Wellow Wavemakers as the team name. Thank you everyone - wish us luck!

### Dates for your Diaries:

22 Apr	Lifeskills Visit Class 4
26 Apr	Residential Trip Meeting 4pm School Hall
INSET	<b>30 Apr 2010</b> , 7 Jun 2010, 22-23 July

### Recent Letters

No	Date	To/subject
41	01.02.10	Fruit Veg Terms 3 & 4 C3&4
42	03.02.10	Dance Umbrella C4
43	24.02.10	Parents Evening Meetings
44	26/02/10	Polite reminder to Class 2 parents/carers
45	03/03/10	Rainbow Theatre - The Easter Story
46	12/03/10	Lifeskills - Class 4
47	24/03/10	Swimming letters T5&6 (class 4 only)

We have been asked to pass on the following items:-

### FOR SALE

Childs cot and mattress in good condition, used occasionally for visiting family....£35....Wellow 01225 833781.



FOR SALE: BLUE FUTON.  
Good condition £75 o.n.o.  
01225 722586

### 6 WEEK ASSERTIVENESS COURSE FOR PARENTS

Monday mornings 10-11.30 starting on 19<sup>th</sup> April  
Contact Sally or Caroline at Walcot Children's Centre to reserve a place on the course and crèche place if required  
01225 396662

The course will be running at  
Weston Children's Centre  
Penn Hill Road  
Bath BA1 4EH

New courses of **after school swimming** lessons will start 26th April for all abilities. This is also available to children starting full time school September 2010. Lessons will be held at Fosse Way School Radstock. Contact Fee Monk 01275 331752,