



Wellow Weekly  
Newsletter 33: Thursday 24 June 2010

Dear Parents,

We have once again been awarded **Bristol Standard** for Early Years work. Well done to Mrs Rodford who leads on this area and gathers all the evidence to support it.

I don't know how many of you managed to view the flower display in church last week, but we had a beautiful display around the theme of dancing. Thank you to all the staff who stayed behind after school to assemble the display. It was an idea that Mrs Rodford shared with us and we thought it was brilliant. Thank you to all those who contributed with gifts of flowers.



Apologies to everyone who tried without success to telephone the school last week. We reported a problem with one of our two lines to BT on 14<sup>th</sup> June and, despite many encouraging

SMS messages from them giving progress updates, we came in on Monday morning to find the cable was STILL being repaired. The reason given was 'it's a long cable! We gradually became aware that some people had been getting no reply when calling, but this was masked by the fact that some calls were getting through. The situation finally returned to normal at 11.30 am on Monday.

Don't forget that our Sports Day will take place on **Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> July** at 1.45 pm at the Village Hall.

As I said in last week's newsletter, we hope everyone will support our end of year production on **Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> July** at 6.30pm in the church. It will be a celebration of the



African theme we have been exploring this year and all the children will be performing during the evening. It will be an exciting evening of song, dance, drumming and drama. The performance will be followed by a Fair Trade refreshment opportunity organised by Class 4 children. A letter will be coming out next week to ask how many seats you would like, but *if you are already aware that your child will have difficulty attending this evening, please let me know without delay.*

Please note on your calendar that school will be CLOSED for staff training on Wednesday 1 September, Thursday/Friday 21/22 October 2010. The remaining INSET days will be notified to parents as they are set.

Finally, a reminder that our **Leavers' Service** will be on **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> July** from 1330 onwards. **Following this service school will close for the summer (1430).** We hope that you will all be able to join with us in giving the Year 6 children an encouraging send-off as they journey to secondary education.

*Jane Gascoigne, Headteacher*

## WANTED BY GARDENING CLUB



Does anybody have spare 5ft bamboo canes for use by the school? If so, please leave them by the wall near the raised beds adjacent to the car park. We would also like any spare water butts and watering cans.

*Thank you to the group of children (Genevieve, Tallis, Hannah Banks, Lucy Carter, Josie, Abby Reakes) who gave up their break time to water the plants with Mr Curtis. Thank you Mr Curtis.*

## GET YOUR TICKETS NOW for the **Black & White Ball**

on

## Saturday, 3 July.

*Come along for a FABULOUS evening with Live Music, Bar, Auction and a Raffle at the Audi Garage, Peasedown St John, 8pm to midnight. Tickets £12 to include food.*



## LEMONS & HONEY COOKERY CLUB

*Places still available for the*

**Italian Kitchen After School Club**

Monday 28<sup>th</sup> June for 2 weeks, 3.15-4.30 pm

£13 per child, £12 for siblings

*Please see Julia Handel for details, or phone 01225 833133.*

## STILL WANTED FOR LUNCHTIME PLAY

Dressing up clothes (hats, dresses), bamboo sticks, old sheets, duvets etc for making dens.

## Somer Valley Adventure Play Park & Skate Park

A series of free and low cost activities for children and young people has been organised by Bath & North East Somerset Council at the brand new Somer Valley Adventure Play Park and Skate Park this summer.

Play sessions will run throughout the week and involve everything from street games, such as **Dodgeball** and **Basketball**, through to **Skateboarding** and **Free Running**.

The Community Play Rangers will also be running free sessions at the new park every Monday from 3.30 – 6pm. The Play Rangers are qualified staff who work year-round running activities in parks with children. They will be running outdoor sessions involving **den building, campfire cooking, sports and crafts** at these free sessions.

Wansdyke Play Association will also be running an **After School Club** on **Tuesdays** and a **Saturday club** at the Somer Centre, both during term-time. Run by experienced and qualified staff these clubs will support children, including those with disabilities, to try out lots of fun activities at the new park. For more details of costs and booking for these clubs call 01761 420660 or email wansdykeplay@gmail.com.

Full details can also be found on the Council's website.

A special, free community opening event is planned for

**Sunday July 18 - 11am to 4pm**

LEAFLETS WITH FULL DETAILS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE SCHOOL FOYER.

*Hettie Bray, a 2nd year BA Hons student, is back in Wellow for the summer, offering her babysitting services. Tel 01225 834673 or 07875 536452.*

### Dates for your Diaries:

1 July	Y6 visit Secondary Schools
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3 July	Black and White Ball (PTA) at Audi Garage 8-12 PM
8 July	Sports Day 13.45 Village Hall Playing Field
9 July	Class 1 & 2 to the Egg Theatre - Droplets
13 July	Y5 visit Writhlington Secondary School
15 July	Whole School Production 1830
21 July	<b>Leaver's Service 1330</b> <b>School closes for the summer 1430</b>
22 July	<b>I NSET DAY SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
23 July	<b>I NSET DAY SCHOOL CLOSED</b> Term 6 ends
1 Sep	<b>I NSET DAY SCHOOL CLOSED</b> Term 1 begins
2 Sept	Children back to School for Term 1
21 Oct	<b>I NSET DAY SCHOOL CLOSED</b>
22 Oct	<b>I NSET DAY SCHOOL CLOSED</b> Term 1 ends
1 Nov	Term 2 begins
17 Dec	Term 2 ends