



17TH OCTOBER 2014

AUTUMN 1, WEEK 7

Special points of interest:

- Vigilance
- Orange for Orangutan day
- Inset Day / Half Term
- Harvest Festival
- Parent Governors
- Forms
- Family Packs
- Cookery Courses

Dates for your diary:

w/c 1st December
Scholastic Book Fair in
school

Thurs/Fri
11th 12th December
KS1 Christmas

Tues 16th December
KS2 Carol Service at
Christchurch

Extra Vigilance

We would like to take this opportunity to pass on to you the advice we have received from the Local Authority Safeguarding Team.

You will be aware from our note sent home earlier in the week that there was an incident the police are treating as 'suspicious'. When you are talking to your child about 'stranger danger' don't place emphasis on the type/colour of a vehicle; place more emphasis on the fact that any male, female, teenager etc. not known to the child is a stranger and should not be approached if they are called over.

With darker nights looming, children who walk home without parental supervision should be encouraged to walk with a friend as far as possible.

Orange for Orangutan Day

We are now nearing our target of being able to adopt our house animals. On Wednesday 22nd October, children are able to come into school in their own clothes (something needs to be orange) for a donation of £1 per family.

Dates Reminder

Next Friday (24th October) is an INSET day. Children are then off for half-term and return on Monday 3rd November.

Kitchen News

We know our 'fish & chip' day on a Friday is popular with a lot of the children. So they don't miss out, it will be on next Thursday 23rd October.

Harvest Festival

Thank you to everyone who donated or came to the assembly - your support is greatly appreciated. The children put a lot of effort into researching what Harvest Festival is about and did a great job of learning and performing their songs. Unfortunately, the Forum Housing representative was unable to make it to us in time for assembly but they have asked us to pass on their thanks.

Parent Governor Elections

Following our recent request for nominations, Sandbrook Governors are pleased to announce the appointment of Mrs Sharon Lloyd (mum of Niall & Jackson in years 3/4 & 4/5 respectively) and Mrs Louise Hughes (mum of Patrick in FS2) as Parent Governors. We wish them every success in their role.

Contact & Photo Permission Forms

Contact forms are being sent out again to all those that have not yet completed their new one. Photo permission forms have now been revised to capture information needed for our new website and will be sent out next week. Please ensure all forms are completed and returned promptly.

Future Assemblies / Meetings

Scholastic Book Fair : week of Monday 1st December

Key Stage 1 Christmas Performance : Thursday 11th & Friday 12th December - Time TBC

Key Stage 2 Carol Service at Christchurch : Tues 16th December - 1.30pm

Christ Church Family Pack Project

We are aware that there are many families in our community struggling to afford the basic necessities. Through the church and local businesses working together, a number of family packs are available which will include items like new bedding, toiletries and toys. If you feel you may benefit from this project (or know someone who will), please call into the office next week to register your interest and we will liaise with the project on your behalf. All requests will be treated in the strictest of confidence.

Cookery Courses

St Catherine's Community Centre in Birkenhead are running a number of courses for all the family. Please see the PTA notice board for more information or pick up a leaflet from the office.

Holiday dates for this year

Autumn Term

Inset Day 1	Monday 1st September 2014
Inset Day 2	Tuesday 2nd September 2014
School Opens for children	Wednesday 3rd September 2014
Inset Day 3	Friday 24th October 2014
Half Term	Monday 27th October 2014 - Friday 31st October 2014
School Opens	Monday 3rd November 2014
Christmas Holidays	Monday 22nd December 2014 - Friday 2nd January 2015

Spring Term

School Opens	Monday 5th January 2015
Half Term	Monday 16th February 2015 - Friday 20th February 2015
School Opens	Monday 23rd February 2015
Spring Break	Friday 3rd April 2015 - Friday 17th April 2015

Summer Term

School Opens	Monday 20th April 2015
May Day	Monday 4th May 2015
Inset Day 4 (Polling Day)	Thursday 7th May 2015
Half Term	Monday 25th May 2015 - Friday 29th May 2015
School Opens	Monday 1st June 2015
Children Break up	Monday 20th July 2015
Inset Day 5	Tuesday 21st July 2015

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