



Padbury CE School Newsletter

Autumn Term 2010










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Dear Parents

Welcome back to everyone and a special welcome to all our new children. I hope you all had a wonderful summer and that everyone is now rested and ready for the new academic year.

NEWCOMERS	CHANGE OF HOURS	THANK YOU
<p>We would like to extend a warm welcome to:</p> <p> All our new starters in Beech Class: Amy, Charlie, Esme, Florence, Harry, Joe, Molly, Noah, Rhiannon, Ronnie, Thomas and Toby</p> <p> Miss Emma Newell who will be teaching Beech Class</p> <p> Mrs Denise Gibbard and Mrs Sharon Moseley who have joined our midday supervisor team.</p>	<p>Please note that:</p> <p> Mrs Marian Barnes will be in the office every Monday to Thursday, she will not be available on Fridays</p> <p> Mrs Andrea Clarke will be working all day on Thursdays and Fridays</p> <p> Mrs Caroline Simmons will be working all day Monday and Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday mornings</p>	<p>Last year the School Council organised three charity events and raised just under £500.</p> <p>The money went to 'Children in Need', 'The Haiti Appeal' and 'The Quicken Trust'.</p> <p>Once again the School Council will be taking the lead in deciding the charities we support this year alongside The Quicken Trust.</p> <p>Look out for their information. </p>

Healthy School

As a school with healthy school status we encourage the following items to be included in lunch boxes: sandwiches, vegetable sticks, chopped or dried fruit, and yogurts.

Crisps, biscuits and chocolate are less suitable so should ideally be less frequent components.

Sweets and lollies are not suitable lunchtime items.

We also encourage children to be active at break and lunchtimes and organise some group activities such as 'skip to be fit' and team games for all children to participate in.

We look forward to receiving completed 'walk to school' cards over the next few weeks. All our newcomers will be receiving their Bronze Cards very soon.

Many thanks to Mrs Parkhouse who organises this for us.

Things to look forward to this year

- Family Meals
- Grandparents' Afternoon
- Open Afternoons
- French Breakfast
- Sporting events
- Christmas production
- End of term services at St Mary's

We look forward to seeing as many of you at these events as possible!

Reminders

I would like to take the opportunity to remind you that:

- Beech classroom door is open from 8.35am and closed at 8.45am, if you are late please bring your child to the front entrance where Mrs Barnes can let you in
- If your child is ill we would appreciate a phone call on the day and a letter on their return. If your child has had a bout of sickness or diarrhoea they should only return to school 24hrs after their last incident
- Please label all items and please 'personalise' your child's book bag (a distinctive key ring does this well)
- Open toed sandals are not part of the school uniform
- Items from home are discouraged unless they are relevant to the class topic
- As we have a child in school who has a severe allergic reaction to nuts we request that no nuts or items containing nuts are included in lunch boxes.

Parental Helpers

There will be a short information meeting for all those who would like to help in school on a regular basis on Thursday, 9th September at 2.30pm.

E-mail

This is our first monthly e-newsletter, and hopefully you have received your copy this way. We would like to be able to send most of our information home by e-mail, so if we haven't got your e-mail address then please let us have it if you want to be kept informed, paper free.

We are going to try and send all our information out on a Thursday and post a copy of latest 'mail-shots' on the outside door of Beech Classroom. Please be patient while we iron out any teething problems.

LOOK OUT FOR

Over the next few weeks look out for:

- An information sheet from your child's class teacher
- The booking form for Family Lunch
- The booking sheet for after school clubs. Most clubs will re-start on the week beginning 13th September. We will need full pre-payment for 'Active Kids' and 'Cookery Club'
- Nomination forms for new Governors
- Our School Development Plan leaflet: information about our priorities for the year
- Diary dates for the forthcoming year

Best wishes,
Karen Duckworth
Acting Headteacher