

*** The Week at a glance ***

Monday 27th April ~ Parents' Evening 4.00 – 6.00 p.m. Usborne Books will be in the hall on both nights in case you want to place any orders. Your children will be given a 'wish list' to take home for doing this and school will get 60% of all sales as a credit to buy more books for our library and classrooms so it's a great offer for the school.

Tuesday 28th April ~ Parents' Evening 5.00 – 7.00 p.m.

Thursday 30th April ~ French after school classes from 3.30 p.m. in class 3. All those who returned reply slips have been allocated a place on the course ~ Bon Chance!

Friday 1st May ~Mr Chouvry's after school football club 3.30 – 5.00 p.m.

Monday 4th May ~ **BANK HOLIDAY** and school will be closed and let's hope for nice weather to enjoy.

Grotto Project : We are going to build a grotto feature made out of stone under the tree in the new garden area. We would like to involve families in this project (especially dads and older children). There will be two dry stone walling taster sessions at a training site in Hoylandswaine led by Gary Helliwell (master dry stone waller!). They are free and will be on Saturday 9th May and Saturday 16th May from 10.00 - 12 noon. The feature will be built after Spring Bank with the exact date to be arranged.

Please return the pro-forma below if your family would like to be involved in this project. For more details contact Mrs Helliwell.

A Statue : We would like to place a beautiful small outdoor statue of Our Lady into the grotto when it is built. If you know of anyone who has a spare one they could donate please let us know before we go looking to purchase an appropriate statue. We can then use the area to tell children the story of Lourdes and use it for devotions such as the Rosary.

The family of _____

(child's name) would like to be involved in the Grotto Project. Please send us further information.

Signed _____

My child is in class... _____

Friends News

Friends Meeting ~ The next meeting is on Thursday 7th May, 7.00 p.m. at the Bluebell Inn. New members are always welcome!

Pamper Night ~ 14th May at 7.00 p.m. at the Philbin's house. £10.00 per person (wine and nibbles included) manicure and eye brow shape. Qualified beautician Helen Andrews who is providing her time and expertise at no cost. Limited places to contact any of the friends or email me any interest at mandy286@hotmail.co.uk

School Holiday Pattern 2009 - 2010 : We have set our INSET DAYS for next year to help you with any forward planning and also to coincide with Shawlands and weekends/half terms where possible. The holiday patterns for the next 3 years are all available to download from the school web site. **Our Inset Days are:**

7.9.09, 23.10.09, 15.4.10, 16.4.10, 28.5.10

A request : For parents waiting at the front of school outside class one / foundation to collect children not to allow any children to go into the new garden area outside the new classroom. The area is not completely finished outside and we don't any unsupervised child tripping and falling down the steps and hurting themselves. Many thanks.

FHC Ties : Ties for first Holy Communion are available at £4.50. If you would like one please put the money into a sealed envelope marked with your child's name on the outside and send it into school.

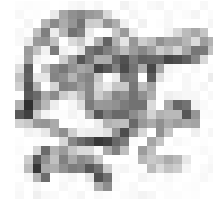
Table Footballs! : If anyone has any spare footballs for the table football games they could donate it would save us having to buy some more ~ thank you!

New Printer : The school would like to thank Mrs Donaldson for the donation of a new printer which is much appreciated.

Joke Book : Thank you to Michael Magee in class 1 for giving me a 'Joke Book' for the newsletter! One of many in the book goes like this:

'Did you hear about the boy who stole some rhubarb? He was arrested and the police put him into custody...' (groan)

Attendance Trophy : Each week the class with the highest attendance is given a new trophy in assembly to keep that week. Congratulations to class two who are the first class to receive the new award!



Thank you for reading this newsletter, John Gregson