



# PETERCHURCH PRIMARY SCHOOL Newsletter

June 2009



## **PYRAMID TENNIS FESTIVAL**

As mentioned in the previous Newsletter, some of our children represented our School in the Pyramid Tennis Festival finals, which took place at Whitecross School after school on Tuesday 12 May 2009. (Apologies to Nadia Orrett who was omitted from the item in that Newsletter).

We are delighted to report the results:-

Nadia Orrett – won 4 matches out of 6.  
Well done, Nadia!

Sam Kerby - won 3 matches out of 6.  
Well done, Sam!

Hannah Burd - won 2 matches out of 6.  
Well done, Hannah!

I know you join me in congratulating all three children in their achievements and for representing our School so well.

May we also take this opportunity to mention parents and all their support, without which the children would not be able to attend such events. So well done and a big thank you to you too!

## **CRICKET**

Congratulations to Matthew Catterall – Matthew plays County Cricket for Herefordshire and was selected to play for the County team against Hereford Cathedral School on 6 May, and we are happy to report that they won! Well done, Matthew.

## **WALK TO SCHOOL WEEK**

**18-22 May**

Well done to you all for your efforts and enthusiasm in taking part in this well-worthwhile exercise. I hope you are feeling all the more fit for it! We would encourage you all to continue walking or to park at the Recreation Ground and walk to help reduce congestion in the car park. Thank you for the kind donations for Guide Dogs for the Blind which totalled £19.33 and this amount has been passed on to the Charity.

## **SUN CREAM/SUN HATS**

As the hotter weather is upon us please apply sun cream before the children come to School. If you send children into School with sun cream they can re-apply it at lunch-time. Please ask them *not* to share their cream with other children. Make sure they are also provided with a sun hat for School.

## **Head Lice**

The problem still remains with regard to headlice. It is important that all hair is checked daily and treated, if necessary. Long hair must be tied up at all times.

## **HEARTSTART WEEK**

**Monday 1 June** is the commencement of Heartstart Week when all pupils will learn emergency life-saving skills.

## Year 6 Cycling Training



All Year 6 took part in Cycle Training in the week commencing 18 April with David Holmes, the LA Road Safety Officer to improve control skills and road safety awareness, and every child who participated passed! Year 4 Cycle Training takes place during the week commencing 1 June 2009. Children in Year 6 who have passed their Cycling Proficiency are allowed to cycle to school and leave their bikes in the bike shed, provided they wear a helmet, ride sensibly and lock their bikes appropriately during the school day.

Any parents who wish to escort other children on their bikes who have not passed their Cycling Proficiency and leave the bikes at school may also do so, subject to the helmet and the locking conditions above.

## PTA – Children’s Disco

A Children’s Disco is to take place in the school hall **on Friday 12 June, 5.30-7.30pm**, run by the PTA. The cost is £2.50 per child, to include refreshments. Children will be supervised but children under school age must be accompanied by an adult. Look forward to seeing you there!

## BUSINESS ENTERPRISE MORNING

As some of you may recall this is the event where KS2 children are put together in groups to form ‘companies’ in order to produce a product, advertise their product, keep accounts and sell for a profit (hopefully!). All goods produced by the Business Enterprise will be offered for sale **on Thursday 18 June 2009 at 10.30am**, and we hope that you will be able to attend.

## Nurse Perkins – Drop-In

Nurse Perkins will be available for Drop-Ins on **Monday 6 July from 8.30-9.30am**.

## SPORTS DAY



The School Sports Day will be taking place on **Monday 6 July** at 1.00pm, weather permitting.

## SCHOOL REPORTS

**School reports will be sent out on 10 July.**

## Parents’ Evening

There will be a parents’ evening on **Thursday 16 July (3.30-5.00pm)** for those parents *who wish to discuss any points arising from their child’s written report.*



## Concert & BBQ

The Concert & BBQ will be held on **Friday 10 July 2009** at 6.30pm. All children will be taking part. This is a lovely evening and we hope all pupils, family and friends will be able to join us. If any children are unable to attend please let the class teacher know as soon as possible as we spend a lot of time rehearsing and the rest of the class feel disappointed on the night if children do not turn up and their class contribution does not go as rehearsed. If anyone can help with running a stall would they please let us know. We will also require items for the stalls including bottles, tombola, draw prizes, and nearer the time, cakes.

## **REMINDER**

### **Coats for Swimming – Health & Safety**

May we remind you that it is imperative that children bring coats to school when they are taking part in swimming at the Leisure Pool in Hereford. If the coach should break down on this journey, etc, children may have to stand around in the open air for some time and, as we know, our weather cannot be guaranteed even at this time of year, so coats must be taken as a precaution. As a consequence, we are unable to take children swimming if they do not have a coat.

## **ILLNESSES**

Please be aware that we have recently had children who have had chickenpox and measles. If you are concerned about your child, please ensure that you consult your doctor. We have, in school, information sheets should you require one.

## **STAFF UP-DATE**

Whilst Mr Fitzwilliams is making progress, he is still unable to return to school. We hope that he may be able to return at some point this half-term and, therefore, current arrangements will continue.

## **NEW TEACHER**

We are delighted to be able to inform you that Miss Emily Jones (soon to be Mrs Stokes!) will be the new Class 1/2 Teacher from September.

## **TESCO VOUCHERS**

Many thanks for all the vouchers you have kindly donated to us so far. It is almost the end of this promotion and we would be grateful to receive any vouchers you may still have.

## **Literacy Strategy**

As part of the Literacy Strategy, children are encouraged to write for an audience and we have decided to include examples of children's writing in the Newsletters. We hope you enjoy reading them.

Following a recent 'wedding' that took place with Year 3/4 children (chosen by them to organise in their Golden Time), the appointed 'journalist' gave the following report:-

### **SCHOOL'S SPONTANEOUS SMASHING WED!**

Peterchurch Primary School celebrates a mini magnificent marriage! – Read on!

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May, Jess Pond and Callum Davewell got married. It was a small 15-minute wedding but it was special.

Children got dressed up in clothes donated by Megan 'n' Ede Clothing.

The church was designed by Class 3 chairs. There was Christopher Usher as the Vicar, Megan and Hannah Pond as the photographers; Nadia, Ellie, Holly and Courtney as bridesmaids; Mrs Martyn as the organist and many guests.

We mainly did it as Jess and Callum truly love each other!

Jess wore a lovely silk dress and long flowing veil. Callum wore a white shirt, red tie and blue jacket. All the bridesmaids looked divine in dresses and tiaras, Christopher wore a waistcoat, the photographers wore summer dresses, cardies and hats and the guest all wore hats. A divine cake was made by Duffield decorations and the bride threw her flowers.

The bride said "Callum is the right one!" The Vicar said "We forgot the rings!"

"So it was a very special time and we all had fun." Said Lydia the guest.

**Reported by Hannah Burd – Class 3/4**

