

Newsletter

Friday 5th February 2010

Dear Parents, Carers, staff and children

Thankyou to everyone for the money you have given for our Haiti appeal. I know some of you have even given some pocket money! During assemblies and class circle times the children of all ages have shown a thoughtful awareness of others which is really good to see. We are in the process of counting the money. Thank you.



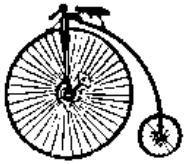
"We worry about what a child will become tomorrow, yet we forget that he is someone today. ~ Stacia Tauscher"

Year 4 Assembly

Thank you Year 4 for sharing all your talents with us today in your assembly 'I'm special'. I did not realize just how many children we had who have so many activities they are involved in or abilities they are developing. Well done! A special well done to Mrs Pilling who showed us her skills in the hoola-hoop arena!

Transport Museum

Year 2 had a great time at the Transport museum looking at old and new bikes and being Transport Detectives.



"I enjoyed sitting in and looking at the different cars."

Holly West

"I had a go at sitting on top of a penny fathing. It was very high so I was very scared."

Jason Nghiem

Athletics - Alan Higgs

Year 6 participated in an athletics tournament against 3 other local schools. They all did very well and were supportive of each other - cheering the loudest! We came 2nd overall. Well done Year 6.

"It was a great experience and I enjoyed it a lot. I won my race with Lois, Kiera and Connie".
Chloe Sedgeley

"It was spectacular because last time we went we were in Year 5 against Year 6's and we came fourth. Now we tried again and we were 2nd!"
Abid Uzzaman

School Council Visit

On Thursday morning our School Council hosted a visit from their counterparts from our neighbouring school, St Thomas Moore. The Councilors did a great job of organizing the event, which included a tour of the school, refreshments and a question and answer session. Our visitors were really impressed with the school environment and also very interested to hear how our Council organize and run all their meetings themselves. The Council's both decided to work together in future as they have learned so much from visiting each other.

Dates

Thursday 4th March is World Book Day - more information to follow next week

Parents evenings will be Tuesday 23rd March 6:00 - 8:00 and Wednesday 24th March 4:00 - 6:00.

Bag2School collection - bags must be returned on Tuesday 23rd February

School Disco - Friday 19th March

Parent/Carers Event

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are organising a number of 'Parenting Talks' each term. As a mum of three children myself (who are now 17, 15 and 11) I know that bringing up children is just about the hardest job you'll ever do. They don't come with a manual or set of instructions.

Yet as parents or carers we want to make sure we get the best information and ideas available to help us raise children who have confidence, character and resilience. These are the three qualities that are really important if we want our children to achieve and be successful today.

We have invited Parenting Partners to talk to parents about the things mentioned above. I know that as parents or carers we are busier than ever and taking time to think about how we care for our children might seem a challenge when you are knee deep in the job anyway! Nowadays we talk a lot about the importance of 'life long learning' - and that applies to us as parents too. I am currently busy learning about what it is like to be a parent to teenagers - who sometimes have a different world view to me!

I look forward to welcoming you to the session - with tea and coffee provided. Each week I will be highlighting useful website links. In March we will be hosting an online programme for parents on our school website - Parents as Learners. We hope this will be of interest to you. Please look out for more information over the next few weeks.

In the meantime you might find this website of interest.

<http://www.parentingideas.co.uk/Home>

The date for the first meeting is Wednesday 10th March at 6:30pm