

Newsletter

Friday 12th February 2010

Dear Parents, Carers, staff and children

We have come to the end of another busy half term in which children have been involved in a variety of sporting activities, clubs and gone on trips which have made a difference to learning. Thank you for your continued support in helping your children make the most of the learning opportunities they can.

Year 1 Assembly

Well done Year 1 in your 'Going for Goals' assembly! We enjoyed finding out about all the things you have been learning, including your poems and your songs. Well done with all your hard work, I know your Mums, Dads and grandparents thought you did really well.

Swimming Gala

Children from Years 4, 5 and 6 represented Howes in a local sports cluster swimming gala at Caludon Castle School. The children swam in individual races and a team relay. Howes finished in second place. All the children were a credit to our school and showed a fabulous attitude. Well done to them all!



It was really exciting! We all cheered loudly for our swimmers. I was very proud of myself for winning my front crawl race.

Charlotte Russell

The swimming gala was great fun. I love breast stroke and front crawl. Howes has some really fast swimmers.

Sam Cotton

Haiti Appeal

We have now counted the money for our Haiti appeal and will be posting off a cheque for £183. Thank you to everyone who donated money for the appeal - every penny counts!

Dates

23 rd February	Bags2School
4 th March	World Book Day
5 th March	Year 5 Assembly
10 th March	'Parenting Evening - Positive Parenting' 6.00-7.30
19 th March	Year 3 Assembly Sports Relief Non-uniform day Disco
23 rd March 6:00 - 8:00	Open Evening
24 th March 4:00 - 6:00	Open Evening
Monday 29 th March	'Egg Decorating Competition' - entries to be in school
1 st April (Thursday)	Year 4 Assembly

Parent Information

The BBC have an excellent website that contains some very useful information on a variety of subjects.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/parents/>

Exciting Playground News

from

School Council



The School Council have today put in an order for over £500 of new playtime equipment. This will include crazy golf, long jump mats, space hoppers, skipping ropes, ten pin bowling.

Over the last two weeks the children have been involved in re-thinking lunchtimes and together with their class teachers and council representatives have developed a new lunchtime play plan. The playground has been divided into different **Playground Zones** with a wide range of activities that the children said that they would like to have the opportunity to be involved in.

We also have a '**Buddy Bus-Stop**'. This is a special sign where you can go if you are looking for someone to play with you - there is always someone to play with!

This is what the School council have found out about the new look lunchtime

Year 1

"I liked bowling you get two goes to knock them all down" Trinity

"Our new lunchtimes are good - I like the hoola hoops; I can do ten" Eve

Year 2

"I like bowling and basketball and chess" Brandon

"I like the bus-stop" David

Year 3

"More fun - lots of things to play with" Theo

"Not as many arguments because we're busy playing" Mason

Year 4

"I like the bowling best " Ellie

"I like the new ping pong table - everyone takes turns" Ella

"I like the art area - you can make things and draw pictures" Ikash

Year 5

"Wicked - and fun" Karys

"Its better now we have more activities - there's more to do" Daniel

Year 6

"I really like supervising and helping the younger ones get along together" Krupa

"There are more activities and everyone can be involved - instead of just football. It can be a bit unfair if you are in Y1 or 2 but now there are loads of things to do- for everyone."

