



NEWSLETTER - 11th November 2011

Earlybird Week

Thank you to all families who supported the Earlybird Week. The children were very enthusiastic and responded well to the praise and stickers they received. We continue to reinforce the values of good attendance and punctuality and are grateful for the support that we receive from families. Our Education Welfare Officer, Jackie Lapworth, was delighted with the children's response and looks forward to returning for another Earlybird week later in the school year.

School Photos

The photographer will be in school on Monday 14th November to take individual and family photos. If you wish to have a family group photograph with pre school children, please bring the children to the hall at 8.30am.

RSE Meetings

Thank you to the parents who have returned the reply slip indicating their attendance at one of the Relationship and Sex Education meetings that are being held next week. Eastern Green Junior School, Mount Nod Primary, Allelseley Hall Primary and also St Andrews Infant School are working together to develop a new RSE curriculum with the support of the Local Authority Learning and Achievement consultant. Please return your letter by Monday or contact the school office if you would like further information - we hope you will be able to join one of the meetings.

Sporting Success

Year 6 attended a Sports Hall tournament at the AT7 Centre on Tuesday morning. They competed against other primary schools in a variety of athletic events and we are pleased to announce that they came first. Well done Year 6 and thank you to Mr Styles for training and accompanying the children.

Curriculum Update

Year 3 visited the Lunt Fort on Monday and thoroughly enjoyed their day. They behaved extremely well and responded enthusiastically to the Roman activities throughout the day. Year 6 enjoyed a visit from a very strict Victorian teacher on Wednesday afternoon. The session was a fantastic introduction to Victorian school days which was enjoyed by everyone, but the children were glad they were not in school during the Victorian period! Year 6 have had an extremely busy week, culminating in their class assembly today. The children performed well, spoke clearly and entertained the audience well. Thank you Year 6.

Year 1 have worked hard all week to make their model homes. They look great and were enjoyed by all families in the school hall on Thursday morning when the children showcased their work. The Reception children started a block of work with the Performing Arts Service this week and are enjoying their music and movement sessions.

Morrisons Vouchers

If you have any vouchers at home could you send them into school as soon as possible. We will be using the vouchers to buy tools and equipment for the children to use when our gardening project starts after Christmas. Thank you.

Anti Bullying Week: 14th - 18th November 2011

A letter was sent home earlier this week explaining the national focus on anti bullying during next week. The focus of Anti Bullying week this year is 'Stop and Think - Words can Hurt'.

Competitions have been arranged for the children and all entries should be in school by Friday 18th November. Children in Reception - Year 2 are being encouraged to create a friendship poster and Year 3 - Year 6 have been asked to write a rap or poem about bullying. Thank you for your support with these tasks.

PTA Update

The PTA will be organising Christmas discos for the children on Tuesday 13th December. The disco for Reception and Key Stage 1 children will start at 4.15pm and last for an hour and this will be followed by the Key Stage 2 disco at 5.30pm until 6.30pm.

The PTA are also arranging for Santa's Sleigh to visit Allesley Park on Thursday 15th December from 6pm! You may remember that Santa was unable to visit Allesley Park last year due to the wintry weather and Santa being poorly, but we are looking forward to seeing lots of children accompany Santa with his sleigh later this term. More information will follow but please put the date in your diary.

If you have any spare boxes of tissues at home we will be very grateful to receive them with the onset of winter coughs and colds. Thank you.

Dates for your diary:

Monday 14 November	Individual and family school photos
Tuesday 15 November	SEN Parents Meeting - Memory
Friday 18 November	Year 4 class assembly 9.00am
Tuesday 22 November	Year 6 parents Dol y Moch meeting 6pm
Thursday 24 November	Reception September 2012 Open day
Friday 2 December	Christmas Fayre 2.30pm
Monday 5 December	Reception, Years 1 & 2 concert - 2pm
Tuesday 6 December	" " " - 10am
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Wednesday 7 December	Years 3 - 5 concert - 2pm
Thursday 8 December	" " - 10am
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Monday 12 December	Reception Years 1 and 2 visit to see The Tiger who Came to Tea
Tuesday 13 December	Christmas Discos - Key Stage 1 4.15pm; Key Stage 2 5.30pm
Thursday 15 December	Christmas Service at St Christopher's Church
" "	Santa's Sleigh visits Allesley Park



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