

# SPRING TERM 2012

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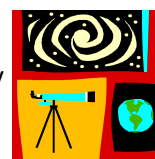
## REVIEW OF AUTUMN TERM

Last term was a busy one with lots going on. In September, the Reception intake started school. In their first days of staying for lunch, Year 6 children helped them.



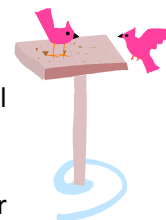
New Reading Scheme books had been added ready for children to start using as soon as they started back after the summer holiday. Displays were put up throughout the school around the theme of 'Authors'. Each class chose an author and learnt about their life. The Cambridge Travelling Book Fair visited, giving the opportunity to purchase exciting new books before and after school.

Year 6 children attended 'World Space Day' at Cromwell Community College based around Science and Literacy.



Each class, including Pre-School, performed during our Autumn Festival just before the half term break. A Hallowe'en lunch was held in the hall and the School Association organised a Hallowe'en disco.

A new bird table was erected at the rear of the school funded by the School Association.



The school marked Remembrance Day with a period of silence. Mr. Barker visited Class 2 to speak about his life in the Royal Air Force. Some pupils from Year 6 assisted at the Remembrance Day Lunch held in the Village Hall by the Royal British Legion.

£302 was raised for Children in Need in November.



A new surface was laid under the activity

December saw our Christmas displays and decorations go up. Displays had the theme 'Pantomimes', plus an additional one which depicted the Nativity. Class 8 children made Christingles for the village Christingle service; Mrs. Dixon visited classes to explain the Dutch tradition of Sinterklaas. The School Association held Santa's Breakfast in early December and the school performed its pantomime, 'King Arthur and the Camel Lot'. Classes held their Christmas parties and we finished off the term with the Carol Service at St. Mary's Church.



Throughout the term, Year 5 and 6 children benefited from brass instrument tuition which will continue this term.

The Spring term will also be a busy one! Already Molly Dancers have performed in the school hall and Year 5 children will be having molly dancing lessons every Monday afternoon. 'Healthy Week' and 'Science Week' will take place later in the term. Also, each class will be performing its own class assembly. Please see details of dates on page 4. A large part of the success of all these events is attributable to our partnership with you.



Thank you very much for your continued support.

## **P.E. LESSONS**

Please could you ensure that your child has a separate pair of shoes in school for P.E. and games lessons and warm clothing for when the weather is colder. All items must be labelled clearly with your child's name.



**Please ensure that the school office has up-to-date emergency contact telephone numbers (particularly mobile phone numbers and email addresses), plus any relevant medical information about your child.**

**Please also remember the new arrangements in respect of administering medicines within school—a parental consent form must be completed.**



## **PARENTS' EVENINGS**

The Parents' Evenings for this term are as follows:-

### **Tuesday, 28th February, 2012**

Pre-School Parents' Evening for parents of children starting Reception in September, 2012.

### **Wednesday, 7th March, 2012**

Open Evening for the whole school. This is an opportunity for parents to look at their children's work. We encourage parents to bring their children into school and talk to them about their work.

### **Tuesday, 13th and Wednesday, 14th March, 2012**

Private consultations with teachers about children's work and progress. Children are not to attend these meetings.

## **SWIMMING**

Swimming dates for this term are as follows:-

### **CLASSES 3 & 4**

Fridays: 13th, 20th and 27th January and 3rd and 10th February

### **CLASSES 5 & 6**

Fridays: 24th February, 2nd, 9th, 16th, and 23rd March

The cost of swimming is £1.50 per session. Please note that it is compulsory for all children to wear swimming hats. These are available from the school office at a cost of 50p each.

## **PARKING OUTSIDE SCHOOL**

Parents are reminded that they should not park their cars on the yellow zig zag lines outside school. This applies before and after school and when collecting children at other times.

In addition, please park with consideration for our neighbours.

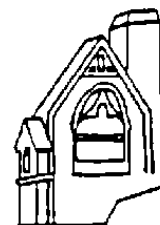
Parents and children should enter the school premises through the pedestrian access (smaller gate) and not through the staff car park. Please do not approach the Lions' Den/annexe along the vehicular access route.



## **CHARITY**

The Carol Service held at St. Mary's Parish Church in December raised in excess of £112. This money will be donated to a charity of the children's choice.

## Important Dates—2012



Monday, 13th February—Friday, 17th February	Half Term
Tuesday, 28th February	Pre-School Parents' Evening for 2012 Reception Intake
Wednesday, 7th March	Open Evening
Tuesday, 13th & Wednesday, 14th March	Parents' Evenings
Tuesday, 20th March—Friday, 23rd March	Book Fair
Friday, 30th March	Last day of Spring Term
Tuesday, 17th April	First day of Summer Term
Tuesday, 24th April	Class and Sports Group Photographs
Monday, 7th May	School Closed—Public Holiday
Week commencing Monday, 14th May	End of Key Stage 2 Tests
Wednesday, 23rd May	Sports Afternoon (weather permitting)
Friday, 1st June	Closure Day
Monday, 4th June—Friday, 8th June	Half Term
Thursday, 21st June	Summer Fair
Monday, 25th June—Friday, 29th June	Isle of Wight trip for Years 5 & 6
Tuesday, 3rd July	New Parents' Evening for 2012 Reception Intake
Wednesday, 4th July	Year 6 Induction Day at Cromwell Community College
Friday, 20th July	Last day of Summer Term



# HEALTHY WEEK

Monday, 6th February—Friday, 10th February



# SCIENCE WEEK

Monday, 12th March—Friday, 16th March

## **CLASS ASSEMBLIES**

The next two term's Class Assemblies are listed below:-

Class 8—20th January/18th July  
Class 7—27th January/25th May  
Class 6—3rd February/6th July  
Class 5—10th February/4th May  
Class 4—2nd March/11th May  
Class 3—9th March/22nd June  
Class 2—16th March/29th June  
Class 1—23rd March/13th July

## **CAKE STALLS**

Cake Stall dates are listed below:-

Friday, 13th January	-	Class 6
Friday, 3rd February	-	Class 5
Friday, 23rd March	-	Class 4
Friday, 27th April	-	Class 3
Friday, 18th May	-	Class 2
Friday, 15th June	-	Class 1
Friday, 6th July	-	Pre-School

## SCHOOL MEALS

Since we took on the management of school meals, numbers have increased quite significantly. At the end of last term, we were serving record number of meals on a weekly basis. This has enabled us to improve menus and keep charges at a standstill. Thank you for all your support for school meals. Please look out for future special promotion days. The cost of school meals remains at £2.00 per meal and should be paid in advance.

