



Dear Parents/Carers

Congratulations Mrs Allen

Mrs Karen Allen had a baby girl on Wednesday - Katie Niamh. Mum and baby are doing very well.



Safe Cycling and Scootering

I am grateful to those parents who have told me that there have been one or two near misses on the footpath leading to the playground gate. These have been caused by children cycling or scootering carelessly. Please remind your child to walk their bike or scooter from the top of the path. Children who come unaccompanied have been given this reminder in school.



Meeting For Year 5 & 6 Parents

You are reminded that Mr David Tansey - Headteacher at Stanley High School and other senior staff will be giving a presentation about your child's move to High School on Thursday 5th October at 5.30 pm in the hall.

Parents/guardians in classes 5 and 6 are very welcome.



Do You Have a Child born between 1.09.02-31.08.03?

If you do and you would like him/her to attend St. John's in September 2007 and you have not yet completed Sefton Council's orange admission form please collect one from the office as a matter of urgency.



School Council 2006-07

Congratulations to the following children who have been elected onto the School Council for this school year. They are:

Jessica Henstock and Matthew Higginson - Y2
Terri-Lee Blackburn and Nathan Ashcroft - Y3
Rebecca Heaven and Calum May - Y4
Megan Jordan and Alex Hutchinson - Y5
Danielle Cox-Pridmore and Connor Howard - Y6



Harvest Service and Gifts

It was great to see so many of you at our service yesterday morning. Thank you again for your generosity in donating so many gifts. Some will be given to local people in need and others auctioned at the Church Harvest Supper with the proceeds going to Water Aid.



Bonus Ball

Last week's winner was Kim Montgomery with number 38 - well done!



North West Soccer Schools Taster Session

Following the successful taster session on Wednesday, I am pleased to say that this club will now run on a weekly basis on Wednesdays.

All children who attended the taster will be given an application form. Any other children who would like to join are welcome to do so. You are reminded that the club costs £2.50 per session and payment needs to be made for a 10-week block.



Meet the Teacher

I hope those Parents/Guardians who were able to join us on Monday evening found the meeting useful.

If you were unable to attend, you should, by now, have received copies of the Curriculum Map for this year and our Guidance to Parents on Homework.



Pupil Data Sheets

We are in the process of updating all the information we hold for our pupils. Those of you who attended Monday evening's meeting will have already amended the data we hold for your child. If you have not please make any changes and return to the office as soon as possible.

If the data is correct please indicate this and return the form.



Tea Towels and Calendars Orders

Many thanks for your responses to our questionnaire about St. John's Christmas gifts. It is clear that both calendars and tea towels would be popular. To prevent ordering too many, we ask you to order and pay in advance. An order form accompanies this newsletter. My grateful thanks to Mrs Jo Birch for organising this. I am sure the calendars and tea towels will be treasured and lasting mementos.



Kinetic Theatre Company Visit

Children thoroughly enjoyed this morning's performance - 'More Tea Vicar'.

If you have not already sent in your voluntary contribution of £1.00 per child please do so next week.



PFA Theatre Trip

The 46 people who have bought tickets for the production of Chitty Chitty Bang Bang at the Liverpool Empire are asked to meet in the school car park ready for departure by coach at 5.45 pm today.



Do You Have Any Unwanted Games or Toys?

Any good quality toys and games that could be used by children during wet lunchtimes would be gratefully received.



Healthy Eating

You will be aware that great efforts are being made to improve the quality of school dinners. You may wish to join on to the Healthy School Meals Campaign for Sefton 2006 website - www.sefton.gov.uk/healthyeating Children can enter the code from the scratch card issued earlier this week.

We also plan to invite parents to sample our school dinners - watch this space.



Re-cycling

We discovered this week that we have achieved Silver Status for re-cycling in the Sefton Primary School's category. We re-cycled nearly 1000 kg of paper in the last school year.



Parenting 2000

You are very welcome to attend our weekly meetings every Wednesday in the Family Room. Please join Anne-Marie and Rachel from 9 am. Pre-school children are also welcome.

This is an excellent opportunity to meet other parents and to find out more about a wide range of activities and sources of support for parents.



Headlice

Please check your child's hair for headlice every week. Additional guidance is available from Pharmacy Online on Rufford Road and from our School Nurse (Gill Thorpe) who visits every Wednesday morning and is on the playground from 8.45 am.



Term Dates

September

29th PFA Theatre Trip to Empire

October

6-8th Y6 Residential Trip

9th Individual & family group photos

15th Gordon's Photographers

16th Parents' Evening 3.30-5.30 pm

17th Parents' Evening 6-8 pm

20th Half term starts at 3.10 pm

Best wishes

Mr D Hains
Headteacher