



Dear Parents/Carers

**Parent Governor Election**

Please keep voting slips coming in next week for your two preferred Parent Governor candidates.

If you require another voting slip and envelope, they are available from the office.

The closing date for returning voting slips is 10 am next Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November. The count will take place at noon on that day.



**Pauline – Crossing Patrol Lady**

Many thanks to those of you who helped Pauline this morning after she had a nasty fall.

She was able to speak very lucidly to the paramedics when they arrived.

I know you will all join me in wishing her a speedy recovery.



**School Front Doors**

Please help us to keep our school warm and safe from unwanted strangers by closing the inner and outer foyer doors when you enter and exit the school.

The main front door does not close automatically behind you and does require to be pulled/pushed.

Please do not allow anyone to follow you into the school when you are entering.



**Promotional Leaflets**

From time to time we are asked to issue leaflets promoting various local activities. Today you will receive details of a ladies only kickboxing group and a junior fun and fitness session in Banks.

We see it as part of our active role in the community to make you aware of such local events and opportunities. Please understand that in issuing such promotional material the school is, in no way, actively supporting the nature and quality of such events, we are merely making you aware that they are available. It is entirely up to parents/carers if they chose to pursue any activity, event or opportunity promoted in such flyers.



**Cancellation of an After School Club**

In the majority of cases we will inform parents/carers if a club has been cancelled (e.g. due to rain) by using our text messaging system. If we have to cancel a club very close to the end of the school day, we will always be happy to supervise children until the club finishing time.

**IF YOU DO NOT RECEIVE A TEXT MESSAGE PLEASE ASSUME THAT CLUBS WILL GO AHEAD. PLEASE DO NOT PHONE THE SCHOOL FOR CLARIFICATION AS THIS TAKES UP A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF TIME FOR OFFICE STAFF.**



**Operation Christmas Child**

Please remember to bring in your shoeboxes for the above appeal. Collection will be made on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> November.

**After School Club Arrangements**

Please remember that NWSS, netball and play court football clubs will not take place until the second half of next term.

Apologies for any confusion – the current VigorBoard group have one more session on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November. After this I will offer further VigorBoard training to any child who has not yet attended.

Mad Science and maths games clubs have now finished.



**Queenscourt Hospice Christmas Friends**

Once again this year we are supporting Queenscourt Hospice by selling Christmas Friends. These are £1.00 and should you wish to buy one please send your child with £1.00 to the school office where they can chose which one they would like.



**NSPCC Sponsor Money**

Mrs Jayne Moran returned to school on Thursday. She thanked children for raising well in excess of £650 for the NSPCC.



**Unreturned Home/School Agreements and Photo Consent Forms**

Please keep them coming or request spare copies. Children who have not returned these forms will have them reissued.



**Y4 Educational Visit**

Please ensure all permission slips and contributions are sent to school by Monday (16<sup>th</sup> November.)



**Parent Volunteers Needed**

We have recently purchased a listening programme designed to improve children's literacy skills. Children using this new resource will work in the new small group room that was recently completed as part of the Class One extension.

To work effectively the programme needs adults to monitor and supervise its use.

One of our excellent Teaching Assistants, Mrs Kim Hickson, will oversee these sessions but it would be useful to have some parent volunteers who are keen to help support the school in the use of this programme.

Further details can be obtained from me, Mrs Patterson or Mrs Hickson.

Any parent/carer offering voluntary help in school is required to have fully enhanced Criminal Records Bureau clearance. We can also advise you on how to obtain this.



**On The Back**

Please see details of Reception class's Children in Need fundraising event next Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November.

**Clubs On Next Week . . .**

- Monday: *Gymnastics*
- Tuesday: *NONE*
- Wednesday: *VigorBoard, Fun Club, Rugby*
- Thursday: *Drama, Christmas Crafts*
- Friday: *Running, Taekwondo*



**Breakfast Club**

Remember that we offer very high quality childcare and a healthy breakfast to children from 7.45 am every morning. Book your child in at short notice and for the odd day. The cost is £3 per session.



**Parenting 2000 Coffee Morning**

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



**FAST (Fun After School Today) Club**

Booking forms are available from the office. Bookings need to be made at least 24 hours in advance.



**Head lice**

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

If you have particular concerns regarding head lice or any other medical issue please telephone the School Nursing Service on 01704 544766.



**Dates**

*November*

- 20<sup>th</sup> Y4 visit to Lancashire Museum
- 21<sup>st</sup> Church Christmas Fair
- 27<sup>th</sup> Mufti day for Christmas Fair
- 30<sup>th</sup> Bag2School blue bag collection

*December*

- 4<sup>th</sup> Mufti day for Christmas Fair
- 5<sup>th</sup> Breakfast with Santa
- 7<sup>th</sup> PFA Christmas Bingo
- 11<sup>th</sup> Mufti day for Christmas Fair Christmas Fair
- 12<sup>th</sup> Breakfast with Santa
- 14<sup>th</sup> Carols by Torchlight – 5.00 pm
- 18<sup>th</sup> Christmas Service at 9.30 am in Church Term ends at 1.45 pm

Best wishes

Mr Daniel Hains  
*Headteacher*



