

# Headteacher's Headline 20th March 2009 - No 9



## Red Nose Day - Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2009

Thank-you for all your support on Red Nose Day. The cake sale at the end of the day raised over £84 - Well Done Year 2, so all in all we raised a massive £317.77. An amazing total, so once again thank-you.



### Local Clubs

Please check the notice board in the playground regularly for details of out of school clubs. A listing on the local club board does not constitute an endorsement by Reigate Parish Church School. If you are looking to join a club you should satisfy yourself with the quality of provision. This could relate to the safety of the activities, the quality of the coaching and child protection matters. We currently also offer the following clubs on the school premises:

<u>DAY</u>	<u>CLUB</u>
Monday	Chess - Yr 2 lunchtimes
	Encore Arts - Yrs 1 & 2 after school
	Recorders - Yr 2 afternoons
Tuesday	Encore Arts - Yrs 1 & 2 after school
Wednesday	French - Yr 1 after school
	Football - Yr 1 (2 <sup>nd</sup> half summer term only) after school
Thursday	Football - Yr 2 after school
Friday	French - Yr 2 after school

The YMCA offers a wide range of daily activities and will pick children up from school for their after-school club. For further details call 01737 779979.

To find out more about the clubs, please look on the notice board, the leaflets in the school reception area or ask the office staff.

### Tissues

Unfortunately we desperately need more tissues for the children in class. As in previous years, we should be most grateful if you could donate boxes of tissues for the classrooms. Thank you.



### Road Safety

Could I just remind all parents about being vigilant in the car park and surrounding areas. We have had a few 'near misses' where children have stepped off the kerb and nearly been hit by cars. Fortunately most of the cars have been driving very cautiously and been able to take evasive action, but this may not always be the case! The children feel very safe within the school grounds and sometimes their guard is lowered, so please make sure they are holding your hand when in the car park. We will also be teaching them how to cross safely within the school grounds during our road safety week next term. Thank-you.

### **Class Assemblies**

Just to remind you about the remaining class assemblies. We aim to start at about 9.00 am and be finished by 9.30 am. They are not 'productions' but an opportunity for the children to share an aspect of what they are learning in class. We would ask that any siblings attending are very quiet and if they cause a disturbance are removed.

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March**

**Ladybirds**

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> April**

**Butterflies**

### **Playground Rules**

In order to keep the playground safe in the mornings and at the end of the day, could I remind you that scooters should be left either in the scooter park or on the slope, but should not cross the yellow line into the car park. Could I also ask you to ensure the children do not climb the trees by the stage area. I have had to rescue a few who have been stuck and the trees are definitely suffering from being pulled about. Mr Sears is currently looking at a more permanent solution, but until then, please keep an eye out!



### **Breakfast Club**

As a parent, your employer has a duty to understand how important the provision of childcare is to you. With this in mind, the Childcare Account has developed a scheme that enables you to save money and make payments to your childcare provider simply and efficiently. The Childcare Account is an electronic process (with no paper vouchers) that enables you to provide your carers payments direct into their bank account, guaranteed and even better on time. Reigate Parish Church School has been set up as one of these providers with regards to the Breakfast club. If you are interested in joining this scheme, please see the office where they have details for you and your employer. Alternatively you can contact Childcare Account direct on 0845 6076 126 [info@childcareaccount.co.uk](mailto:info@childcareaccount.co.uk) or [www.childcareaccount.co.uk](http://www.childcareaccount.co.uk)

### **Tesco and Sainsbury Vouchers**

As you are already aware we are collecting vouchers from Sainsbury and Tesco. Thank-you already for your kind support with this. However, if you are able to help count these vouchers and put them into bundles of 100 we would be really grateful. Please just see Mrs Danbury in the office if you are able to help. Many thanks!

### **The Active Mark 2008**



I am pleased to announce that Reigate Parish Church School has been awarded the Active Mark 2008 for exceptional delivery within the PE and Sport strategy in 2008. This includes providing a modern and inclusive curriculum, covering gymnastics, athletics and ball games, providing new resources to encourage active learning during playtime and running a very successful Sports Week. Many thanks to Miss Lambert and all the staff, for their continued support and commitment to providing an active curriculum.

### **Parents' Forum**

The next meeting is Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May at 2.15 pm. All parents are welcome and we can accommodate pre-schoolers, so please come and join us. It is an opportunity to help the school move forward by making suggestions and giving a parent's perspective on school matters. It is chaired by the head teacher and a representative of the governors is usually in attendance.

### **Gardening Club**

Our Gardening Club has already been awarded the Royal Horticultural Society's level 1 and level 2 certificates for the Campaign for School Gardening! Reigate Garden Centre has given us some compost and 18 herb/smelly plants which have been planted in the Reception area, and in the two gardens the children have sown peas, carrots (germinated), parsnips, onions, garlic, shallots and potatoes. Let's hope we have a bumper crop this year! Many thanks to Mr Wilkes for all his hard work for the Gardening Club.

## Diary Dates:

<b>SPRING TERM 2009</b>	
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Healthy Eating Week
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	9.00 - 9.30 am Prayer group in staffroom
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Ladybirds assembly
Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	PTA Auction of Promises
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> March	Lists to be put out for parents to sign for Parents' Evening
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	2.00 pm Easter Service at St Mary's Church
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	Butterflies assembly
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Reports go out to parents
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	Term ends at 1.30 pm
<b>SUMMER TERM 2009</b>	
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	Term starts at 8.55 am
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April	3.30 - 7.00pm Ladybirds Parents Evening
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> April	2.30pm - 6.00pm Parents Evening - including Ladybirds class
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> April	3.30 - 7.00pm Parents Evening - excluding Ladybirds class
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May	May Day Bank Holiday - school closed
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> May	2.15pm Parents Forum
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> May	8.00pm PTA Meeting
Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> May	PTA May Ball
W/c 25 <sup>th</sup> May	HALF TERM
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> and Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> June	School Closed - INSET training