

# Bewdley Primary School

## Newsletter

Web site: <http://www.bewdleyprimary.uk.org>



23<sup>rd</sup> October 2009

### **New School Site Update**

We are at the end of the first half term on the new site. The half term has, as ever, flown past, but at the same time routines are becoming well established and it seems that we have always been here. There are still matters to address and this seems a suitable point to update parents on progress and plans.

**Zebra Crossing** - work will take place over half term to put the zebra crossing in place. We need to encourage children to use the crossing.

**Crossing Patrol** - the Local Authority are looking to appoint a crossing patrol for the new zebra crossing.

**Playground Gates** - gates have been fitted with 'throw over' catches to make them more secure. Over half term we are reviewing access issues including playground and car parks.

**Ball Sports Area** - this is hugely popular with children and is certainly promoting ball skills, fitness and prompt attendance.

### **Works which still need to be done include -**

**Field** - lifting the concrete slab to allow space for football pitches and running track.

**Early Years Outdoor classroom** - a long term development of the area outside the Reception classroom

**Quiet Pond Area** - children have helped design a pond cover with local artist Dave Howorth. This will be installed over the pond and the surrounding area will be developed as a quiet area.

**Growing Areas** - Each Key Stage of classes has an area of ground or raised beds where they will be growing food and other plants during the year.

**Areas around the Playground** - these need to be developed as shaded seating areas.

**Trees** - trees are being planted on the field to provide more shade in the long term.

**Lay by** - planning permission is being sought to change the front of the school so the area which was the old vehicle entrance is made into pavement.

**New Vehicle Gate** - Severn Trent have agreed to install new vehicle gates.

**Childrens Play Equipment** - this is now installed and awaiting health and safety approval before children can use it.

## CAR PARKING

Staff and visitors have arrived at school unable to park because parents have used the car park to park whilst dropping off. Parents must not use the car park at the beginning and end of the day. Thank you

## MEETING REMINDERS

### YEAR 4 MANOR ADVENTURE WEEKEND

6.30PM THURSDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

Year 4 parents and children are invited to a meeting to hear about the weekend trip in June 2010 to Manor Adventure

### RECEPTION READING MEETING

7.00PM THURSDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

Parents of children in Reception are invited to a meeting to find out more about reading in Reception.

### YEAR 5 OAKLANDS MEETING

7.30PM THURSDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER

Year 5 parents and children are invited to a meeting to find out more about the Year 6 trip to Snowdonia in October 2010.

### VISION SCREENING TEST IN SCHOOL

Reception children will have an eye test on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November. Please complete the reply slip sent out last week if you **do not** wish your child to receive this eye screening test or if your child is under the care of an eye specialist.



Please remember to send in your Morrisons vouchers - 1<sup>st</sup> November is the last day of issue.



## YEAR 6 CYCLE TRAINING

Year 6 children who did not pass their level 2 cycle training in September have an opportunity to retake their test on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November. Please make sure you have your bike and helmet in school. Speak to your class teacher if you are not sure if you passed level 2.

## HEALTH AND WELL BEING DEVELOPMENT GROUP

As part of our healthy schools status, each half term a group of parents meet with the healthy schools coordinator to help organise activities and events in school to keep us healthy.

The next meeting will be on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November at 2.30pm to discuss the next half term. Existing group members and new members are welcome. Please contact Miss Bradley for further details.

## APPOINTMENT OF KAREN FRANKLIN

The school governors have appointed Karen Franklin to cover Mrs Checkett's maternity leave which will be starting in November.

## STUDENTS IN SCHOOL

Two students from Worcester University will be working in school after half term. Miss Amanda Bradley will be in Miss Bradley's class and Miss Sarah Lord will be in Miss Hendy's class.

## NEWS FROM RASCALS



Joanne Parkes has joined the staff of RASCALS covering mornings, we now have capacity for up to 24 children each morning.

Vacancy for a part time (job share) manager in RASCALS after school club. To cover some mornings and afternoons. Further details from the school office.

## RIVERSIDE CHILDREN'S CENTRE

All children's centres provide free activities for families with children aged under-5.

Our regular sessions continue -

- Story time on Mondays 1.30 to 2.30
- Chatterbox on Tuesdays 1.30 to 3.00
- Mucky Pups on Thursdays 1.30 to 3.00

Our official opening takes place on Wednesday, 18 November from 12.30 until 5.00pm. Free buffet lunch and lots of activities for under-5s with a safari theme. Everyone welcome - fancy dress optional! Please call in and collect a programme, or contact Viv Lawson, Project Administrator, on 01299 409169 for more details of our activities.

## HARTLEBURY MUSEUM

### HALF TERM ACTIVITIES

27<sup>TH</sup> - 30<sup>TH</sup> October

Activities including mask making, spoon puppets, brass rubbing, Autumn scrapbook and pumpkin carving - more details from [www.worcestershire.gov.uk/museum](http://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/museum) or telephone 01299 250416

### ANNUAL POPPY APPEAL

Poppies are on sale from the school office. If you would like your child to have a poppy, please send in a donation to school.



## BEWDLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL PTA NEWSLETTER

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### Bags 2 School

Thank you for your donations, you all delved deep into your cupboards, which is brilliant!



### Halloween Disco

We hope you all had a great time. The fancy dress costumes and pumpkins were fantastic, well done! A special thank you to all the helpers, your support is much appreciated.



### PTA AGM

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November 7.30 - 8.00pm. Venue to be confirmed

If you are interested in attending the AGM please leave your contact details with the school office and Suzie Burrows (PTA Chair) will give you a call.

Have a great break and watch this space for more exciting events next term.

Bye for now.





## WELL DONE AWARDS



**Jack Lewis** (Nursery) for his great independence in Nursery

**Rowan Cross** (Nursery) for her super role play of making cakes and milk shakes.

### WELL DONE TO ...

Everyone who took part in the crazy ways to walk to school day this week and a big well done to all the children who dressed up as a transport character today - there were some fantastic costumes.

### WELL DONE TO .....



**Erin Boddice** for achieving swimming level 3



**Joe Smith** for achieving his brown belt in karate.



**GYM CLUB CONGRATULATIONS TO ...**

**Isobel Smith** for gaining her first British Gymnastics Awards level 8 and 7

**Millie Hare, Dan Arnold and Alexia Burrows** for gaining Level 4

**Amelia Dalton** for gaining level 2

**Katy Carrington** for gaining level 1 and her overall awards medal

**Lily Orchard, Kimberley Moore and Katy Carrington** for achieving their gold award for hand held apparatus.

## REMINDER

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November is a training day and the school will be closed for children. School reopens Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November**

Have a great half term break