

NEWSLETTER

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Round and about

I trust you all had a good half-term. The weather certainly didn't let us down, although the same cannot be said for this week!

The children have thrown themselves into activities with great enthusiasm. Year 6 have been to Rochester Cathedral and had a fabulous day. Miss Spurrell was especially impressed with the variety of questions and interest shown by all the children. Next week sees many of Year 6 going to PGL. I wish them a great trip and look forward to them reporting for the Newsletter on their return.

The Choir has begun in earnest with Jessica Rabin of Bromley Youth Music Trust providing her expertise.

In the coming weeks we will be having a visit from the "Lifebus", which is a mobile educational classroom, which all the children enjoy. Sports Day is provisionally booked for either 2 or 8 July—but more details will follow.

Summer Fair

Sharon Oakes has been busy organising the Summer Fair for 3 July and has recruited a band of willing helpers. If you are able to help before and on the day, please either let Sharon know or leave your name with the office and we will pass your details on to Sharon.

Briefly, Sharon has organised a football display by Mike Delaney; Orpington Gymnastics club display; and the Fire Brigade are hoping to attend (dependent on whether they are called-out to an emergency).

As usual to help with the stalls, we are having a number of non-uniform days beforehand. Apologies for the late notice of this week's non-uniform day—but thank you all for your generosity in any case.

The following are the planned non-uniform days: **Wednesday 16 June—Chocolate**—this is for the chocolate tombola stall and is always popular with children and adults alike. All chocolate is welcome, be it a small bar to boxed chocolates.

Wednesday 23 June—Summer stall—We are looking for items such as picnicware, beach balls, summer games (eg cricket bats, frisbees etc).

Friday 2 July—To ensure they remain fresh, we are making our "cakes" day the day prior to the fair. Ready-made cakes or home-made cakes are welcome.

Raffle tickets for the grand draw will be distributed shortly and we have some great prizes—£50 1st prize; £30 2nd prize and a 3rd prize of £20. There will also be wine, an iPod shuffle and free entry to Adventure Kingdom, courtesy of Vanessa Kidd's daughter who is the Manager.

Loose change, good quality books, toys etc are also welcome.

Thank you for your support with the Fair—it looks to be shaping up to be a great day.

Safety of children to and from School.

It is important to ensure children know how to stay safe and ensure any potential dangers are minimised. For example if children make their own way to and from school, they should know:

To avoid talking to people they don't know;

Never to walk away with a stranger;

To tell you if a stranger approaches them;

Never to keep a secret a stranger or other adult has asked them to keep;

Never to accept a lift from a stranger—even if they know them—if it has not previously been arranged with you

To make their way straight home from school unless you have previously agreed otherwise.

If your child is travelling on the bus or train alone they should know that it is good practice to sit near other families.

If your child does become lost, they should know to ask for help from a Police Officer, another grown-up with children or someone working in a nearby shop.

Learning about safety will give your child the extra confidence of learning something new and valuable to them.

STARS OF THE WEEK for week beginning 7th JuneClass of the Week: **Hazel**House of the Week: **Dover and Richborough!**Attendance Class of the Week: **Hazel**Always here and always on time: **Rollover**Holly class: **Kuda Masama, James Oakes**Willow: **Megan Ruler, Madison Currie**Beech: **Charlotte Wade, Dominic Taylor**Silver Birch: **Ryan Wade and Tiffany Moon**Oak: **Amy Wilkinson, Emma Le**Hazel: **Joan Le Ngoc, Daniel Wadey**Sycamore: **Devin Williams, Flint Byrne****Happy birthdays to****Charlie Healey—12 June and Charlie Pritchard—16 June****DIARY for week commencing 14 June, 2010.**

Mon 14 June	Breakfast Club 3.15-4.30pm "Funky Feet"
Tues 15 June	Breakfast Club
Wed 16 June	Breakfast Club ALL DAY—dance 12.30-1.15pm Kwik Cricket (Yr 5 & 6) 3.15-4.15pm Football KS2 3.15-4.00pm Spanish 2.30pm Nursery p.m sharing assembly
Thurs 17 June	Breakfast Club 3.15-4.15pm Girls Football
Fri 18 June	Breakfast Club KS1 football 3.30pm-4.15pm Year 6—PGL

Free School Meals

Application forms for Free School Meals and the Clothing Grant are now available from the school office. For those applying, your evidence of Child Benefit needs to be no more than 3 months old. If it is any older you should ring the Child Benefit Office on 0845 302 1444, to request an updated copy of your entitlement.

And finally.....

As we always write, if you do have any queries or concerns at all, please let us know and we will do our best to address them. Kindly remember that if you would like to see your child's class teacher or any other member of the school's staff you must go to the Office to make an appointment. It is not always possible to accommodate wishes to see teachers in the morning when the teacher is required to be in her classroom with the children in his or her charge.