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Dear Parent/Carer

23 September 2011

NEWSLETTER

School Council Results - A special assembly was held today to announce the results of the School Council Poll. The children waited excitedly to hear the results and cheered and clapped the successful candidates. The children were presented with certificates and badges by Mr Hilliard (Chair of Governors) and Mrs Mattocks (Vice Chair of Governors). Those children who weren't successful accepted their disappointment so well. I would therefore like to congratulate the following children who have been voted in by their peers as School Councillors, and say a 'well done and thank you' to the retiring council members who were also presented with certification. A special thanks must go to Ryan Spearitt and Neve Carter who had the very important job of running the Polling day and counting the votes.

A training session about the Councillors' specific roles and responsibilities will take place shortly.

CLASS	SCHOOL COUNCILLOR	SHADOW COUNCILLOR
3C	Faye Colebourn	Tegan Warwick
3B	Amaya Dajiri	Eve Donnelly
3J	Ethan Harrison	Ellesha Marr
4C	Katelyn Davies	Lydia McNamara
4JA	Vaughan Lewis	Lucy Kemp
4B	Harry Ellis	Faye Chadwick-Morgan
5Q	Jade Allen	Saffron Holmes
5WH	Dominic Hill	Ella Jones
5G	Caitlin Slater	Leah Johnson
6M	Matthew Potts	Jessica Chadwick-Morgan
6W	Joseph Kenny	Jennifer Kelly
6H	Daniel Armer	Reece Cansfield

Class 6H's Assembly - This morning, the children in Class 6H performed a most enjoyable and informative assembly all about democracy. Thank you to all those parents and family members who were able to join us. I am sure you enjoyed it as much as we did.

Year 6 Pensarn Trip - Final Balance Payment and Medical Information Form - Thank you to everyone who has sent in the final balance payments and medical forms. However, there are still a few outstanding. I must stress that all monies and forms **MUST** be sent into school by **Monday 26 September** at the very latest in order for your child to take part in this trip. Any issues please see Mrs Rowlands - thank you.

Year 3, 4 & 5 Colomendy Trip - Permission Slip and Deposit - May I remind all those parent who would like their child to be included in this residential trip in March 2012, that the permission slip and **£20 non-refundable** deposit must be sent into school by **Friday 7 October**.



Year 4 Romans Trip to Chester - Monday 3 October - May I remind parents of children in Year 4 that their trip to Chester is on Monday 3 October. This trip has proved very informative and enjoyable in the past. Please make sure that your child has a **warm waterproof coat and sensible footwear** as a great part of this trip is outdoors. Please also make sure that their **packed lunch is in disposable packaging**. If any parents are interested in helping, please see your child's class teacher.

Year 3 Welcome Meeting - Thank you to all the parents who were able to attend the meeting on Tuesday evening. I hope you found it informative and that we were able to answer any questions you may have had. At the meeting it was mentioned that we would like to invite the parents and children from year 3 to **'BREAKFAST WITH THE STAFF.'** We hope this will be an opportunity for you to meet informally with your child's teacher before our formal Open Evening in November. Don't worry if you can't make it, your child can still have toast and juice! The proposed days are Tuesday 4th October for 3C, Thursday 6th October for 3B and Friday 7th October for 3J. Doors open from 8:45.

School Meals - Themed Lunch - On **Thursday 6 October** our school cook will be serving school meals with a 'French Cuisine' theme. If your child normally brings a packed lunch but would like to have a school lunch that day, please **complete the slip at the end of this Newsletter** and return it to school by Tuesday 27 September so that the Cook can order enough food. The cost of a **school meal is £1.80** daily and this amount should be sent into school in a sealed envelope clearly marked with your child's name, class and amount enclosed.

FREE MEALS - Can I remind parents that if you feel you are entitled to free meals please call into the One Stop Shop for further information. Also, once your child has been awarded free meals there may be times when the entitlement ceases and you may have to produce your information again - can I urge parents to do this as a matter of urgency. School is informed when a child ceases to be entitled to free meals. Please make sure you are aware when the free meals entitlement is up for renewal, as subsequent meals consumed after expiry would be charged.

Roly Poly Bird Challenge - Today year 4 children all enjoyed making flapping Roly Poly Birds as part of their curriculum challenge based on the book *The Twits*, which they have been reading in class. They all worked really well in their teams. Thank you to all the parents and family friends who helped on the day.

Year 4 - Baking 'Bird Pie' - On Tuesday 27 September year 4 children will be baking 'Bird Pie' as part of the work they are doing on the *Twits*. Any parents who could help please contact your child's class teacher - thank you.

Y5 Dragonese Day - Friday 7 October is Dragonese Day and year 5 will be celebrating with various activities as it links to their topic for this half term. There will be Chinese Dragon Dancing, Dragon Top Trumps and Learning to speak Dragonese. We would like the children, helpers and staff to get into the spirit of the day by dressing up either as dragons or Viking boys and girls. We would also be very grateful for any parent/carers who could assist in this creative day. Please inform Mr. Hodges if you are able to help.

Gardening Club - Please note that our Gardening Club will start again on Tuesday 27 September from 3.35-4.30pm for years 3 and 4 - if any children from these year groups are interested in joining, please complete the permission slip below.



Let's Get Cooking - Starts on Monday for **Group 1**. Your child will have been informed which group they are in as we have had to split it into 2 groups due to the excellent response. Please remember all parents are very welcome to attend with their child.

Gymnastics Club - Apologies! Gymnastics Club will not be starting next week. It will commence on Tuesday 4 October now, with Group 1 - year 3. A slip will be sent to all children who have returned forms stating which group they will be in and when their sessions will start and end.

Athletics - Unfortunately this will have to be **cancelled next week** due to staff training, it will however be on again Thursday 6th October.

Year 5 - Football Club - Will commence on Monday 26 September, children will need trainers, kits and shin pads. If you wish your child to take part, please complete the reply slip below.

Chris Foy Assembly for years 5 and 6 - Monday 19 September. We were lucky enough to have an assembly delivered by police officer Chris Foy, who is also a premiership referee. Chris talked about the importance of working hard at school, (he hadn't worked as hard as he could have at school, so had a lot of catching up to do in order to be so successful in his adult life!) so that children can follow their career choices. The children were given excellent advice about the dangers of social networking, inappropriate text messaging and what to do if they are concerned about contacts or messages they receive. A huge thank you to Chris on behalf of all the children. He will be coming back to school soon to talk to years 3 and 4.

Archbishop Beck Roadshow - Tuesday 20th September. Years 4-5 children were treated to Archbishop Beck Road show, which was led by Deputy Head Bruce Hicks. He brought 4 pupils with him who entertained our children by doing a comedy sketch and singing, as well as describing opportunities they are given in their school. The pupils were a credit to Archbishop Beck, not only because of their talent but also their positive attitudes and we would like to thank them for visiting our school.

Target Reports - Next week children in years 4-6 will be bringing home their Target Report for this term. Children in year 3 will bring them home slightly later after their teachers have completed various assessments. There will be an additional letter attached to the reports explaining how we will report progress to you this year.

Rise and Shine - I would like to warmly invite parents, as well as children to join us in our 10 minute early morning 'work out' to music on the playground each day. I promise you that you will feel the benefit as it wakens up the brain as well as the joints!!!!

Early Morning Sports Coaching with Yinka - These early morning sports coaching sessions will go ahead as per normal arrangements. Years 5 and 6 Monday morning and 3 and 4 Tuesday.

BUDDY Rota for next week

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
5Q	5HW	6H	6M	6W



After School Clubs on next week

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Y5 Football Club	Y5/6 French Club 3.35-4.30pm			Y6 Football
Y5/6 Tag Rugby	Y6 Basketball			Y6 Drama
Y4 Let's get cooking - Group 1	Y3/4 Gardening Club			
	Y3 Guitar			

Headlice - I regret to report that headlice is an ongoing problem within our school. As we all know headlice is highly contagious and can only be eradicated in school when every child is clear at the same time. **PLEASE check your child's hair on a daily basis** and act accordingly. If you are however experiencing problems, our school nurse is willing to have a chat with you.

Coat - Luke Davies in year 3 lost his coat in the Infants before the summer. Could we please ask you to check at home to see if maybe it has been picked up by accident. The coat is a Timberland white/lime green anorak and it does have Luke's name inside - thank you.

Car Boot Sale - We hope to see as many people as possible at the car boot (or table) sale on Sunday 25th September. There will be a very small charge of 20p for people to visit the table sale. We would like to thank our parent volunteers for organising this event. Let's hope it is a great success!

The Belvedere School - The Headteacher of The Belvedere School has been in touch, asking me to inform any interested parents that the **closing date for applications is 12 noon on Wednesday 12 October** (as there was a misprint in the secondary schools admissions booklet).

And finally Mr Harvey completed the Great North Run last weekend, as part of his ongoing support for charity Mr Harvey will also be running in the Langdale Marathon this Saturday.

Community News:

Family Learning in Liverpool Schools - Please see our notice board for information on upcoming courses in the local area.

Yours sincerely,

M Rowlands, Headteacher



TO: MRS J BETTY - PLEASE RETURN BY TUESDAY 27 SEPTEMBER

School Meals - French Themed Lunch - Thursday 6 October

CHILD'S NAME: _____ CLASS: _____

My child normally brings a packed lunch but I would like to order a school meal on the above date

*I enclose £1.80 for the cost of the themed lunch

*My child has a free meal entitlement and on this day would like the themed lunch

**please delete one*

SIGNED: _____ Parent/Carer

TO: Mr Hughes

Gardening Club Tuesday 27 September 3.35-4.30pm

CHILD'S NAME: _____ CLASS: _____

I give permission for my child to attend Gardening Club on Tuesdays after school

*My child will be picked up by a responsible adult at 4.30pm

*My child is allowed to walk home alone at 4.30pm

**Please delete as appropriate*

SIGNED: _____ Parent/Carer

TO: Mr Jardine

Year 5 Football - Monday 26 September 2011

CHILD'S NAME: _____ CLASS: _____

I give permission for my child to attend Football Club on Mondays after school

*My child will be picked up by a responsible adult at 4.30pm

*My child is allowed to walk home alone at 4.30pm

**Please delete as appropriate*

SIGNED: _____ Parent/Carer



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Yours faithfully

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