

NEWSLETTER 26

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Dear Parents and Carers,

This week seems to have raced by; it is quite strange having the Easter bank holiday outside of what we have always traditionally called the 'Easter Holidays'. I was going to brave the cold weather and start some work in my garden, but I must confess my Easter egg and snuggling up with my daughter and just spending time together won! But in between the sun, hail, snow and the wind I did pop out and prune my roses back, ready for spring. We certainly enjoyed a variety of weather over a short space of time!

Just a reminder if you haven't returned the extended schools questionnaire we would be grateful for them as soon as possible. Many thanks if you have already sent it back.

Wells Cathedral Trip

I really enjoyed accompanying our Year 2 children on a visit to Wells Cathedral yesterday. We had a lovely time and had a very busy day. I was so proud of the children, particularly when the guide said what a 'joy' they had been. The interesting and thoughtful questions they asked as well as their knowledge and behaviour was commented upon. Nothing gives me greater pleasure than to hear how our children have been advocates for our school.

MUFTI Day

On Thursday April 3rd we are having our next non uniform day, if your child would like to wear their own clothes we would ask that you make a donation of a silver or gold coin. Half the money raised will go to the student council, the other half to our nominated charity Save the Children.

Music Meddly

As part of our normal Worship on Thursday 24th April, some of our children that have music lessons will be playing for us. If you would like to join us you are more than welcome.

Mobile Telephones

We have become aware that some children are bringing mobile telephones into school. If a child needs to make an urgent phone call they can always use the school office, we would therefore request that they are not brought onto school premises.

Activemark 2007

We have just been notified that we have been awarded the 'Activemark 2007', which is a fantastic achievement. We have received this mark because more than 90% of pupils are doing at least 2 hours of 'exceptionally delivered' PE and school sports each week. Many thanks to Kara Matthews for leading this subject area and applying for the mark. Our certificate has been framed and now hangs proudly in our entrance hall.

Church School

You may have noticed in the entrance hall a new 'Worship' board has been created just as you enter the hall; this highlights themes we are focusing on. There will also be the opportunity for the children or an adult to write a small prayer for someone they would like mentioned during Worship together. All classes are also saying a short prayer before lunch and at the end of the day. These will be different in each class and chosen by the children. As part of our School Development Plan we are focusing on developing further, assessment and evaluation in Religious Education.

With the newsletter next week will be a diary page of dates of events in school until the end of the Summer term. I hope this helps with forward planning.

Joy Mounter

Mendip Junior Cross Country League

Congratulations to **Tom Sellar, Hazel Papadopoulos, Hannah Dix, Ella-Rose Bazley-Jackson and Simone Young** who have been selected to represent the Mendip Area League in this year's Somerset Inter-Area Junior Schools Cross Country Match against teams from Yeovil, Taunton, Minehead, Langport and Sedgemoor. This year's event will be held on **Wednesday 2nd April** at **Stanchester School, near Montacute**.

Kara Matthews

Message from the Kitchen

Every child has been given a new Summer 2008 menu. If you wish your child to have school dinners then please forward payment to the kitchen by the **31.03.08** for week commencing **21.4.08** Due to circumstances beyond my control the new price for school dinners is **£2.10** per day **£10.50** per week.

Thank you

Mary Rowsell

Doultling Village Hall Committee

Friday 25th April at 7.30pm
Quiz Night
In
Doultling Village Hall
£10 per team (max. of 6 per team)
Proceeds to be split between Village and Church

LTA Tennis Coaching

There are no places available on the after-school mini tennis club starting on Tuesday 22nd April in the school hall. Thank you for registering your child – the course will be fun and challenging for them!

Cranmore Tennis Club – I am also offering tennis coaching on Wednesday (4.40 – 5.40) for beginners Year 3 and up (Year 2 if your child is able to hit the ball). There are **two** places available on this course. Renewed course commences on **Wednesday 23rd April 2008**.

Ladies Afternoon at Cranmore Tennis Club on Friday afternoons 1.30 – 2.30) for beginners. I currently have **4** places available. Renewed course commences on **Friday 25th April 2008**.

Shepton Mallet Tennis Club on Sunday mornings. Beginners course for children up to Year 4 (10.30 – 11.30). I currently have **4 places** available on this course. Renewed course commences on **Sunday 27th April 2008**. Thereafter at 11.30 – 12.30 I have an intermediate course running for children who are able to rally and are on orange and green/full court tennis. I have **3 places available** on this course. Renewed course commences on Sunday 27th April 2008.

If you are interested in any of the above courses please contact Judith Dummer on 01749 345905 or send me your details online at jude-dummer@tiscali.co.uk