

Badshot Lea Village Infant School

NEWSLETTER 17

Friday 16th May 2008

Dear Parents, Farnham Carnival

There are lots of exciting things happening behind the scenes in our preparation for Farnham Carnival 2008. I really must thank the organising team of parents for their enthusiasm and continued hard work - you are all stars! Our last Farnham Carnival Workshop will take place on Monday 19th May in the school hall. If your daughter has not yet made a headdress, this will be the last opportunity to do so at school. If you are unable to attend the workshop, and your daughter has not yet made a headdress, do please contact Liz Crossley as soon as possible for ideas and materials. It is really important that all girls have the opportunity to make their own headdress. On Monday at the workshop we will be putting the final touches to our maracas. A reminder that dance rehearsals will take place in the school hall today, Friday 23rd May, Friday 6th June and Friday 13th June from 3 to 3.30 p.m. Keep dancing!

Training and Development Day

The school will be CLOSED on Friday 27th June for training and development. I apologise for the short notice, we have only just received confirmation of the date ourselves.

Leavers Bear and Chimp

For parents of children in year two, orders for a Leavers Bear or Chimp should have been with us by today, however we will extend the order time until next Wednesday (21st May). Sorry, but after that date you will not be able to place an order. If you would like to see a Bear or Chimp before placing an order please ask Mrs Stairs in the school office. Thank you.

Active Mark Award

Attached to this newsletter is a very brief questionnaire about sports. In order to maintain our brilliant Active Mark Award we need to gather information about sports and physical activity outside school hours. It is really important that we receive a response from everyone please (including families with more than one child at our school as activities may vary with different age groups). Sports and physical activity may include: football, tennis, swimming, karate, horse riding, dancing, gymnastics and a host of other sporting events. It would be very helpful if you could return your completed questionnaire as soon as possible and certainly by Friday 6th June. Many thanks.

Nominate a Teacher!

Also attached to this newsletter is a nomination form for Teacher of the Year in association with Headline Teachers and Chase. The closing date for a completed entry is Friday 23rd May to be sent to the address on the bottom of the nomination form and not to school please.

National Food Awareness Week

You will know that our theme this half term is growing (plants, fruit and vegetables) and we welcomed Waitrose to school last week for a fantastic fruit and vegetable tasting session.

After the half term holiday it will be the turn of parents to enjoy a tasting session, but this time school dinner.

During National Food Awareness Week (9th - 13th June) we would like to offer parents the opportunity to taste our school meals on either Tuesday 10th June or Thursday 12th June. Your child does not have to currently take school lunches for you to join us for a taster session. Lunch time starts at 12 mid-day and the cost of an adult meal is £2.15. If you would like to join us for school lunch on either 10th or 12th June please can I ask you to complete the attached form, returning it to school as soon as possible and certainly by Monday 2nd June (when we return from the half term holiday). Please ensure you include payment (cheques made payable to 'Surrey County Council') and clearly label the envelope 'Adult School Lunch'. Thank you. We very much hope that many parents will take this opportunity to experience our nutritionally balanced school lunches.

Unpredictable Weather

A reminder that your child will need to bring a suitable coat to school every day as our weather is so unpredictable. Thank you.

Money

Please can I ask that any money for the school is always placed in a sealed envelope with the reason or activity and your child's name clearly written on the front. Thank you.

Dates for Your Diary

Monday 19 th May	We will be welcoming Rev Carol to school today. Farnham Carnival Workshop 3-4pm
Friday 23 rd May	We finish at 3pm for the half term holiday. Farnham Carnival Dance Practice 3-3.30pm.
Monday 2 nd June	We return to school today. Golden Boot Challenge starts today.
Friday 6 th June	Farnham Carnival Dance Practice 3-3.30pm.
Tuesday 10 th June	School lunch taster session for parents.
Thursday 12 th June	School lunch taster session for parents. We will be welcoming Winston Nzinga to school today.
Friday 13 th June	Farnham Carnival Dance Practice 3-3.30pm.
Monday 16 th June	Class Photographs will be taken today.
Monday 23 rd June	We will be welcoming the Farnham Assembly Team today. Induction Meeting for New Parents at 7.30pm.
Wednesday 25 th June	School visit to Staunton Country Park / Bird World.
Friday 27 th June	We will be <u>CLOSED</u> today for training and development.
Saturday 28 th June	Farnham Carnival.
Saturday 5 th July	Sports and Summer Garden Party.
Monday 7 th July	Parent Consultation Meetings this week.
Tuesday 8 th July	Circus Workshop for all the children.
Thursday 17 th July	Leavers Service at 9.15am.
Monday 21 st July	Stars of the Year Assembly. Pizza Party for all the children at lunchtime.
Tuesday 22 nd July	The children finish at 3pm for the Summer Holiday.
Wednesday 23 rd July	We will be <u>CLOSED</u> today.

Yours sincerely,
Jan Weir.