

Market Harborough Church of England Primary School



Newsletter 26th November 2010

Dear Parents/Carers,

Ms Bovill has finally succumbed and gone on to the 'poorly' list – we hope she'll be better soon, but in the meantime she's asked us to keep you up-to-date with the news, so here goes...

Firstly, we are delighted that the newly-formed school choir has been asked to sing tonight at the switching on of the lights in Harborough town square – they will be performing in front of the Harborough FM soundstage at 5.30pm, so please go along and give them a cheer! The choir will also be giving a concert in school, details of which are included in the Dates below. Rehearsals have begun in school for the FS and KS1 Christmas productions and the KS2 carol service, so please keep an eye out for letters and ticket order forms for these.

As far as Ms Bovill is aware, the cross country meeting is still going ahead on Saturday 4th December; letters about this will go out to children early next week.

Please have a look at our school website, which has recently been revamped – we now have our own blog, which is used to highlight upcoming school and PTA events, and which provided daily bulletins whilst the Year 6 children were at Kingswood.

Our lunchtime ladies do a fabulous job looking after your children, but even standing day in day out in all sorts of weather doesn't stop them coming down with the odd bug or two... It would therefore be a great help if we had a couple of parents who would be willing to step in every now and then at very short notice, for an hour and a quarter over the lunchtime period. Training would be given and you would need to be CRB checked before you could work with the children (we can sort out the application forms for any parent who doesn't already have a CRB certificate); you would be paid an hourly supply rate. If you are interested please let Mrs Wilford know in the school office.

November Dates

Friday 26 th	School Choir - switching on of lights in town square 5.30pm
Tuesday 30 th	2EF Class Assembly 9.15am

December Dates

Friday 3 rd	Christmas Fair 3.30 – 5.30pm
Saturday 4 th	Cross Country Meeting
Tuesday 7 th	KS1 Christmas Performance 6.30pm
Wednesday 8 th	KS1 Christmas Performance 2pm
Thursday 9 th	KS2 Swimming Gala
Saturday 11 th	Christingle Service 4pm, St Dionysius
Tuesday 14 th	KS2 Carol Concert 7pm, St Dionysius
Wednesday 15 th	FS Christmas Performance 2pm
Thursday 16 th	PTA Non uniform day
	School Christmas Dinner
	School Choir Concert 7pm
Friday 17 th	End of Term service 9.30am, St Dionysius
Monday 20 th	KS2 Carol Singing in town
Tuesday 21 st	Y2 Carol Singing at Clover Court
	Y6 Beaumanor Hall Victorian Christmas trip

Tuesday 21st December, 3.15pm – End of Term

Clubs Information

Various of the after school clubs will stop or change their finishing times now that the nights are drawing in, while other clubs will be carrying on right until the end of term. We will therefore send out a separate list on Monday of what sessions will be running, and when, for the rest of this term.

Successes, Achievements and just Plain Fun ~

Congratulations to everyone for some really wild and whacky spotty and dotty themes last Friday – even Mrs Douglas in the kitchen got in on the fun, decapitating Pudseys in the kitchen much to the amusement of everyone in assembly! We raised a fantastic £238.01.

And finally... we thought it would be nice to congratulate Ms Bovill, who was the only primary school head invited to County Hall to meet with MPs from the House of Commons' Education Committee for a wide-ranging discussion on how schools, the LA and other partnerships work together to improve attendance and behaviour. The school had also previously been mentioned by name in an LA press release about schools with the most improved attendance. Both of these are real positives for school, so thank you once again to everyone for helping us to achieve this.

Attendance	
Week beginning 8 th November 2010	Week beginning 15 th November 2010
Best class attendance ~ 2EF 99.3%	Best class attendance ~ RMT 99.6%
Whole school attendance ~ 94.2%	Whole school attendance ~ 95.1%