



Stanbridge Lower School

Newsletter No 6

27th November 09

Dear Parents/Guardians

PTFA News

The PTFA have asked me to remind parents to continue to collect tokens from local supermarkets, LBO, Nestle etc and send them into school with their children. Collection points are found outside the office in school.

I'm sure you will join me in thanking the PTFA members who helped co-ordinate and run the school disco. All of the children has a super time and as usual it was all very well organised.

The PTFA are currently collecting prizes for their Bingo Night. If you would like to donate a prize, please send it into school and we will forward it on to the PTFA.

Parent Governor News

Mrs Smith has completed her time as a Parent Governor. I am sure you will join me in expressing our thanks for all the hard work and time that Mrs Smith has devoted to this role. She has been an "outstanding" Chair of the Governing Body who has led us all through many changes, and we would like to wish her well in all her future endeavours. I am pleased to welcome Mr Symonds as our new Chair of Governors and Mrs Delahunty as our new Parent Governor. I know they will find their roles both interesting and rewarding.

A Bag for Ethiopia

As you know we organise several fundraising activities across the year to support our school in Ethiopia called Salem Chorra. Ellen Jackson (Mrs Phyper's sister) will be visiting the school soon and has asked if the children would like to take part in this present giving activity for Christmas. Please choose one or two things off the list and send them into school by the end of term in a carrier bag. Please do not gift wrap them. Suggested items

Soap
Toothpaste
Tooth brushes
Small hand towels
Comb
A pair of gloves
Dark Socks - child or adult size
Underclothes - child or adult size
Plimsolls - any size
Simple story book - lots of pictures, not too many words
A toy - any age, girl or boy.
Stationary set
Small bar of chocolate.

These items will probably be exchanged amongst the families so don't worry about the size of clothes, everything will be welcomed and well used. As usual we thank you for your support.

Pre-School Assistant

We are currently looking for a new Pre-School Assistant. No qualifications are needed as training will be given in school. If you are interested in applying for the position, please pick up an application pack from the school office. Hours of work will be 9am - 11.30 am, five mornings per week. Application forms should be returned by Wednesday 9th December and interviews on Monday 14th December. The successful candidate will start their new role on Monday 4th

January 2010. Stanbridge is committed to safer recruitment procedures and all applicants must be willing to be CRB cleared.

Christmas Dates for Your Diary

Tuesday 1 st December	Take Away Task due in. Make a Christmas Star - see Newsletter No 5 for further details.
Tuesday 8 th December	Christmas Production, 2pm for Parents and young children
Wednesday 9 th December	Christmas Production, 2pm for Parents, Visitors, Members of Local Community
Friday 11 th December	Year 4 to the Carol Service in Leighton Buzzard, 9.30 - 12.00. PTFA Bingo Night - further details to follow
Monday 14 th December	Year 3 and 4 will be visiting Orchard Lodge to sing carols to the residents.
Tuesday 15 th December	Christmas Parties: Mrs Patterson will be organising the food lists in the playground each day before and after school in the week leading up to the parties. If your child comes to school by bus, Mrs Patterson will let you know what to contribute. The children can bring their party clothes to school in a named carrier bag and will get changed after lunch. Pre-School children are welcome to come back to school at 1.15 to join in the fun.
Wednesday 16 th December	Christmas School Dinner
Thursday 17 th December	End of Term Service at St Johns Church, Stanbridge. All parents, friends and members of the local community are welcome to join us at 9.45 in church.
Friday 18 th December	Last day of term. The children may bring in table top games to play in class. No electronic games please.

Yours sincerely

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