

COMPASSION, ACCEPTANCE, RESPONSIBILITY, FORGIVENESS, TRUST

Dear Parents and Carers, 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2015

Thank you everyone who donated to our Breast Cancer Now fund raising during parent consultations yesterday and Diabetes UK today. Our totals at lunchtime today are £95.52 for Breast Cancer Now and £126 (not including money raised through the sale of cakes) for Diabetes UK - thank you!

## **Pond Clearing**

We should like to take this opportunity to thank members of the Medway Valley Countryside Partnership who visited the school last week and worked hard clearing our overgrown pond area for us. Members of the partnership are all volunteers and further information of the good work they carry out plus how to become a volunteer is available on their website: <a href="https://www.medwayvalley.org">www.medwayvalley.org</a>. Please visit our website: <a href="https://www.burham.kent.sch.uk">www.burham.kent.sch.uk</a> (select newsletters, term 1) to see our kind helpers.

At the beginning of Term 2 we shall be taking part in a 3-day Social Action Project which is a catalyst employability programme. By installing a sensory garden and nature trail for our children to enjoy plus tidy up our vegetable garden it is hoped that they will gain some of the experience they need to gain employment.

## **Healthy Eating - Packed Lunch**

We are always grateful for the support our parents give regarding the contents of children's packed lunch boxes – we know that like us you wish your child to eat healthily. We also appreciate that during the colder weather you may wish to include a slice of cake/cake bar, which is fine for the extra carbohydrates but we do kindly ask please **no sweets**.

## **School Milk**

If your child is currently under 5 and you have registered with coolmilk.com they will be in receipt of free school milk which is funded by the UK Government's Nursery Milk Scheme. When children turn 5, or if they are already over 5, you have the option to pay for their milk at a subsidised cost. If you wish your child to have the opportunity to take part in the 'Coolmilk' scheme and they are not already on their list please either:

- visit <u>www.coolmilk.com</u> and select 'Register your child for milk here' and follow the on-screen instructions of how to register OR
- ask the school office for a registration form and then send your completed form direct to Cool Milk and they will send you a payment request.

Not only does a portion of fresh, chilled milk at mid-morning break provides protein, calcium and other vital nutrients important for child's growth and development it is also a great way to bridge the gap between breakfast and lunch. If you have any queries regarding your child's registration or milk supply in general please do not hesitate to contact Cool Milk directly at <a href="mailto:customerservices@coolmik.com">customerservices@coolmik.com</a> or call 0844 854 2913.

As you are aware, the school is closed to children tomorrow for a staff INSET day.

We wish all our families and children an enjoyable Term 1 holiday and look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Grima **Headteacher**  **Dates for Diaries:** 

Term1

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2015 Last day of Term 1 for children

Non uniform day in aid of Diabetes UK

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2015 **Development Day (school closed to children)** 

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October 2015 to

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2015 School closed (Term 1 holiday)

Term 2

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2015 School opens for children Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2015 Children in Need fund raising

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2015 PTFA Christmas Fair 3:30p.m. – 4:30p.m.

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2015 Meerkat Class to lead Act of Worship (parents of Y4 children welcome to join

us at 2:30p.m.)

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2015 to Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2015

Treasure Seekers Club (details to follow nearer the time)

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2015 Year 1 & Year 2 Flu Vaccinations

Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2015 Infant Nativity 10a.m. and 2p.m. (details nearer the time)

Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2015 Junior Christmas Production 2p.m. and 6p.m. (details nearer the time)

Family Trust Christmas Panto to the school.

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2015 Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2015 Advent Eucharist led by Reverend Mike (2p.m.) all welcome.

Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2015 Last day of Term 2

Family Singalong at 1:30p.m.

Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2015 **Development Day (school closed to children)** 

Monday 21st December 2015 to

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> January 2016 Christmas Holiday (school closed\_

Term 3

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2016 **Development Day (school closed to children)** 

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2016 School opens to children

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