



## Parents' Newsletter No. 1 Spring Term 2010

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to 2010 – it seems two minutes since we were celebrating the Millennium and now it is 2010. Thank you for your support leading up to and during the Christmas period. On reflection it was a difficult period with poor weather and illness and the new term has been a little stop start. However, the sun is out and spring is on the way.....

Yours faithfully,

K.M. Hinshaw  
Headteacher



### **Games/PE Kit**

Firstly can I thank those parents who have encouraged their son/daughter to bring their kit to school and also for teaching lace-tying (a vital skill!!)

We still have problems with some pupils, many of whom are regular offenders. We have ceased lending kit for two reasons. One, it means some children rely on borrowing rather than organising themselves.

Two, the kit is not always returned.

**PLEASE DO ALL YOU CAN TO ENSURE THAT GAMES/PE KIT IS BROUGHT TO SCHOOL.**



### **Track Suits**

Many children are now wearing track-suits which are a great help in the poor weather... They are very versatile and not overly expensive. Please do try to purchase a plain colour. Preferably maroon, black or blue.

### **New Entrants for September 2009**

We have 14pupils already enrolled for our Reception classes next year. If you have a child that is starting school in September, please enrol as soon as possible to help with our administration preparation.

### **Year 5 French Trip-Parents' Meeting**

The parents' meeting will take place on **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> January at 7.p.m.** Please make every effort to attend as it is much easier to share vital information once rather than having to repeat things at a later date. Details differ each year so please attend, even if one of your other children has travelled in the past. **We should be most grateful if you would confirm by half-term (13<sup>th</sup> February).**



### **NEW PE KIT ORDERS URGENT**

The deadline to order the new PE kits with bag is next Monday 18<sup>th</sup> Jan. See Mrs Brittain ASAP

## **Parking**

We are constantly monitoring the parking and the staff even conducted an experiment in their cars after a recent staff meeting to see if a new system would make a difference.

The caretakers have a difficult job but they are quite happy at the moment after some **awful problems during rainy days last term.**

Overall we do well so let's congratulate ourselves, particularly compared with other schools. It seems the present system works if:-

- The children are 'out from class' promptly.
- Parents park sensibly and with consideration
- There is no double parking or abandoned cars behind the staff cars at the school front (this stops buses getting through and leads to gridlock and traffic jams right up to the Hougue du Pommier hotel!).
- Parents do not stay around too long in the car park socialising (I know-it's a good opportunity but think of the consequences!).
- Parents of Infants arrive and leave promptly
- Parents of Junior children do not arrive too early or stay too long.
- Parents of High School pupils do not arrive too early

**PLEASE DO ALL YOU CAN TO MAKE THINGS WORK BY HEEDING THE ABOVE**

### **Mufti Day Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> January 50p**

The pupils have expressed concern at the plight of the population of Haiti following the earthquake and requested that it be discussed in the class council scheduled for this week.

They wish to hold a 'Mufti Day' to raise funds for the stricken country **costing 50p** per pupil. The pupils politely request that any additional donations will be gratefully received.

### **PTA forthcoming events**

**Second-hand Uniform Sale on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> Feb** – please leave donated items at the school office and Gillian will collect and organise with her team.

**Disco- £1.50**

**Next Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> January**

& Friday 30<sup>th</sup> April

**Bingo night** - Friday 14<sup>th</sup> May

**BBQ** – probably Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July



### **Pens for Sale**

May I remind you that we have blue gel pens with re-fills available for just £1. This is a bargain price for such an excellent pen.