

# NEWSLETTER 5

## Bromley Heath Infant School

9 January 2009

Dear Parents

A Happy New Year to you and welcome back to school and the new term. We have new themes this term for all year groups which will create opportunities for new learning that will motivate and excite the children. In due course you will be receiving an overview of the theme and learning that has been planned for your child throughout terms 3 and 4.

- Reception - Jolly Postman
- Year 1 - Let's Play
- Year 2 - Pirates

### **Coffee morning - Thursday 22 January 9.00am - 9.45am**

I would like to invite you to meet with myself and Mrs Long on an informal basis on the above date. I see this as the first of a series of Coffee mornings where we can meet and discuss matters of mutual interest and so that you can tell us your views. For the first one it would seem appropriate to:

- discuss how we can develop/improve communication between parents and the school.
- gather ideas for future discussions.

The Coffee morning dates for the rest of the school year are:

**Thursday 12 March, Thursday 14 May and Thursday 25 June.**

### **School website**

Our school website has some useful links for parents and the one that I would like to bring to your attention is Parent Centre which has relevant and current information on e safety - how you can ensure that your child stays safe when using your home computer, electronic games etc.

It can be located via the parent link on our website.

### **Sickness procedures**

You will be aware of the winter vomiting virus that is affecting certain areas of the country and in particular the Bristol area. It is a very contagious virus and schools are ideal places for it to spread. If your child is affected by this or any other sickness virus **he/she must be clear of all symptoms for at least 48 hours** and in addition they must be fit to be in school.

We appreciate your co-operation in this action in order to minimise the spread of the virus and maintain a healthy school community. Please remember to send in a note explaining the reason for absence for any illness when your child returns to school.

### **Rainbow Trust collection**

Thank you for your generosity that enabled us to send £134.32 to this locally based centre which supports children and their families when they are affected by cancer, life threatening illness or bereavement.

### **Bristol Evening Post**

I am delighted that our French Nativity photos appeared in the Christmas Supplement and also that Bromley Heath Infant School was featured in a separate report on Saturday 13 December 2008.

The photos can be viewed on the website: [www.thisisphotosales.co.uk](http://www.thisisphotosales.co.uk)

### **Downend and Siston Neighbourhood Policing Team**

I have received a request to include the following in this newsletter:  
"Making the communities of Avon and Somerset feel safe and be safe"  
As your Neighbourhood Policing Team we ask YOU our local community to park legally and considerately in the neighbourhood. Many of the complaints we receive are concerning safety around local schools.

Offences we are observing/dealing with on numerous occasions include:

- Driving a motor vehicle on a footpath - this includes parking on the pavement.
- Causing an unnecessary obstruction - parking in front of dropped curbs.
- A vehicle parked in a dangerous position - parking too close to a junction therefore obscuring visibility.

**All the above could make you liable for a fixed penalty - £30**

Many thanks in anticipation of your co-operation.

PSCO 7585 Sheldrake

**Dates for your diary**

Wednesday 18 March

School photographs

Monday 30 March

Parent/teacher consultations

Tuesday 31 March

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School finishes for the Easter holiday on Friday 3 April 2009.

**Have you remembered that Friday 16 January is an in service day?**

**Governor's matters**

Finally the Governors would like to receive and evaluate your views of many aspects of the school and in order to do this you will be sent a survey on **Thursday 15 January** to complete and return to school by **Friday 23 January**.

Yours sincerely

Chris Chrystal  
Head teacher