

Robin Maslin

You may be aware that Robin Maslin will be leaving our school at half-term. He has been made an offer he couldn't refuse – to join the LA's service to support visually impaired children and adults. Robin has given so much to the school during his time with us and he will be greatly missed. However, this is a wonderful opportunity for Robin and we wish him every success and happiness in the future.

Cleaning Posts

We have two vacancies on our school cleaning team. The cleaners work Monday to Friday from 3.15pm to 5.15pm during term time with a small element of cleaning during vacations. The pay is £6.21 rising to £6.39 per hour. If you are interested in applying for this post, please send a letter of application to the Headteacher outlining any previous experience and the names of two referees to school by Monday 18th May.



Annual Reports to Parents/Carers

Thank you to those parents/carers who responded to the layout of the new report format. There was an overwhelming majority who thought that the new reports were an improvement on the previous format. You will still receive information on your child's attainment levels, reading and spelling ages at the end of the academic year.



Standardised Assessment Tests (SAT)

Year 6 will be engaged in the national SAT during next week. We ask that parents/carers do all they can to ensure that their child attends school during the duration of the tests. We wish Year 6 every success.



Texting Service

We hope that you received a text message last week concerning the closure of the school on Bank Holiday Monday. This was a trial run of a text messaging system that the school may be adopting. If you did not receive the message or you have changed your mobile phone number, please do inform the school office.



Maths Café

Many thanks to everyone who supplied cakes and other goodies for the Maths Café. We were overwhelmed by the donations. We hope that those of you who attended enjoyed the experience. £200 profit was achieved which will be used to purchase a bench for our planned reading garden outside the school library.



Tesco Vouchers

Many thanks to everyone who has donated Tesco vouchers to the school. We are still collecting so any more will be gratefully received.



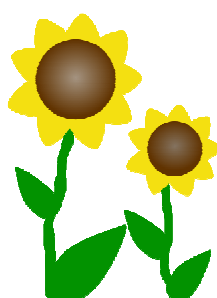
Cycling to School

Children cycling to school has proved to be popular. We can now accommodate Year 4 pupils who wish to cycle. If you would like your child to cycle to school, please ask for a permission letter at the school office.



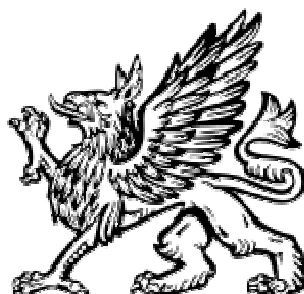
Playground Gardens

We are looking forward to seeing the perimeter of the playground a blaze of colour as our sunflower plants develop. We would ask parents/carers to ensure that young children do not climb on to the wall benches of raised beds.



House Point Cup

The house point cup for March was won by Gryphon House. Congratulations to them for their second success of the year.



Medicines

We have a large number of medicines in the office, many left over from the Year 6 London Trip but also medicines that parents have asked us to administer. We cannot return these medicines to children so please collect them from the school office by 22nd May, otherwise we will dispose of these medicines after that date.

Term Dates 2009/10

Term dates/training day information accompanies this newsletter.

A Reminder

The school closes for the half-term vacation at 3.05pm on Friday 22nd May and re-opens at 8.45am on Monday 1st June.