



Templefield Lower School

Newsletter

September 16th 2008

Dear Parents,

It is amazing how quickly everyone settles into the new school year. The children and staff are working enthusiastically on the new terms themes and topics. Our new arrangements for lunchtime are also working, resulting in a more settled start, to the afternoon session for everyone.

Kingswood Meeting

Our preparations for the forthcoming Y4 residential visit to Kingswood are gathering pace, We would be grateful if all paperwork could be returned to school before the meeting which is to be held on Wednesday 1st October at 3.45pm. Many thanks

PTA AGM

Our annual PTA AGM is to be held this Friday (19th September) at 9am in the Ark. All parents are warmly invited to attend.

Friendship Week

We are holding a special week to promote friendship during the week beginning Monday 22nd September. The children will participate in a wide range of activities to both celebrate and explore and the values underpinning friendship. Activities taking place throughout the week will include storytelling, problem solving, making friendship chains, flags and t-shirt designs. I am sure the week will be both enjoyable and carry a poignant reminder to the children of the many issues, attitudes and effort needed to build positive relationships.

School Dinners

We are working closely with Eden Food Service to develop a lunchtime provision that meets the needs of our children and families more effectively. Enclosed with this letter is a questionnaire regarding school meals. The school council will also be monitoring the most/least popular foods in the dining hall over the next few weeks. We then plan to use this information to re-design menus that are more appealing to the children. Please could completed questionnaires be returned to school by Friday 26th September.

Homework

Following on from our recent homework questionnaire we are introducing Homework Diaries for all children in Years 2, 3 and Y4, Children will also write any important reminders in these so please check them regularly. Diaries can also be used if you wish to write a quick note to the class teacher (although absence notes must still be written separately for our attendance records). Further details about our revisions to the Homework policy will be made available to parents by half term.

School Photographer

The school photographer will be in school on Tuesday 23rd September. Children will have individual photo taken and also if they have siblings in school they will be photographed together.

If you have a pre-school child and would like to have a family photograph taken, this can be done before school. Please return the reply slip so that we have an idea of numbers.

Photographs will be taken in the ICT suite. Please go to the school the Hall where you will be given a number to indicate your place in the queue. Thank you

Parents Evening (14th & 15th October)

The boards for booking an appointment for parents evening will be under the covered way on the playground from Tuesday 23rd September.

School Council

Last week the children held the School Council elections. The following children have been elected as their class representative for this school year.

Y4	Miss Smithers Mr Clarke	Rebekah Rawsthorne Morgan Shaw	Daniel Mahoney Tom Dobson
Y3	Mr Orr Mrs Bates	Abigail Day Kai Day	Billy Harris Mia Guerrero
Y2	Mr Grint Mrs Westcott	George Tobin Millie Malpus	
Y1	Mrs Fuller Mr Rowe	Adam Ford Zara Gates	

If at any time you have a query or concern, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher in the first instance.

Yours sincerely

Lynne Birch



Reply Slip – School Photographer

We would like our school child(ren) photographed with our pre-school child(ren) and will arrive before the start of school. (Hopefully the photographer will be in school at 8.40am)

Child's nameClass.....

SignedParent /Carer

