

Wenhaston Primary School

October 2009 Newsletter

What a busy, but enjoyable, half term we have all had.

Our Year 2, 3 and 4 pupils have enjoyed their swimming at Bungay Swimming Pool. This finishes in early December. They all continue to make good progress and are working towards certificates. Many of them are in the top group. Well done to you all.



On Thursday 15th October the KS2 class went on a trip to West Stow for the day to visit the Anglo Saxon Village. All the children enjoyed this experience immensely. We are very grateful to the Pepyn & Lessey Village Trust for their donation towards the cost of this trip. The children are currently working on communities as part of their curriculum and were extremely fortunate to be able to witness at first hand how these people lived.

Whilst KS2 were out our KS1 class had their "Invite A Friend For Lunch" day. Rose Winter, our Healthy Food Coordinator had organised this event and our guests were treated to a delicious lunch of roast beef followed by chocolate pudding. The guests were then asked to complete a questionnaire, and we are pleased to report that we received back a 5 star, 100% feedback. This was a lovely occasion and everybody thoroughly enjoyed it. Well done to Rose and special thanks to Mrs Kett!



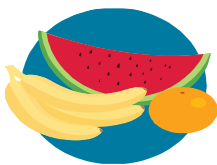
All of our clubs are going well and are being well attended. Our grateful thanks go to everybody concerned who gives their time on a voluntary basis to enable our children to benefit from these wider opportunities. Thank you so much.

Our children in Year 4 have been invited to work with Halesworth Middle School and their new Primary School Orchestra. Mrs. Cassels has been involved in this exciting new opportunity which takes place after school. Again, our thanks to her, for all of her organisation and dedication beyond the school day.



KS1 topic this term is "Homes and Materials". We are working hard to incorporate our outdoor classroom into everyday activities and the children have done some super work to decorate the indoor classroom which now looks lovely.

Fruit and Vegetable Scheme - The school takes part in this scheme. It means that each child in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 are given a piece of fruit or vegetable to eat at each morning break. Children in Years 3 and 4 are positively encouraged to bring their own item of fresh fruit or vegetable for morning snack.



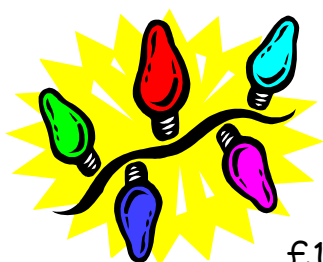
On Wednesday (swimming morning), the older children should bring a slightly more substantial snack i.e. a small sandwich, biscuit, rice cakes etc. The children use up a lot of energy in the pool and definitely benefit from a "top up". All we ask is that they do not bring sweets or chocolates.

As the colder weather seems to have arrived please can you ensure that your child comes to school with a winter coat and warm PE clothing. We encourage the children to bring a fresh bottle of water (a plastic bottle with a sports type cap please) each day to school. Water is also available with school dinners.

There are a few places left for the family photo sessions that are taking place on Friday 6th November. With prices starting at only £20.00 these would make great Christmas presents. You have 10 minutes with the photographer and it is a very relaxed informal session. If you are interested, please see Mrs. Leeming in the school office to book your time slot.



Many thanks to everyone who responded to our "School Development" questionnaire. The governors will collate the results and make a written response during the next half term.



Southwold "Switch On" Committee have asked us to circulate some competition forms. If you do wish your child to take part, please put their completed entry in an envelope with the £1.00 entry fee. There will be a collection box in the entrance near Mrs. Leeming's office. All of the money raised by the competition will go to "Switch on Southwold".

Have a great half term - don't forget dinner monies will be £2.00 per day when we come back on Monday 2nd November. We look forward to seeing you all then.