



**Emersons Green Primary School**  
**NEWSLETTER NO. 25 - 19 March 2010**

**Netball News**

Congratulations to the netball team for winning the schools partnership tournament on Friday. They then went on to the regional finals on Monday at The Grange School and never lost a game. The next milestone for the team is representing the county on 26 March. We wish them the very best of luck with that too!

**Potato Growing Competition**

In previous years the gardening club has been in competition with St Augustine's School to grow the largest/heaviest pumpkin. This year we have been challenged to grow the greatest mass of potatoes in a grow bag! If any of you have some expertise in potato growing that you would be happy to share, we would very much like to hear from you. The challenge is about to begin!!

**Just Different**

This week the children have enjoyed workshops on disability and difference put on by 'Just Different'. We have decided to have a 'Just Different' day on Thursday 1 April to raise money for this charitable organisation. For a suggested contribution of £1 children can wear their uniform with something 'different' about it, eg back to front, inside out, too big, too small etc.

**Lost Property**

Lost property will be outside the entrance foyer for the whole of next week. Please come and claim it as soon as possible. Any items left remaining will be taken to the charity shop or be used by the PTFA as second hand uniform.

**Reminders**

**Polite Reminder - Morfa Bay**

The 3rd payment of £75.00 was due on 5 March. If you have any previous outstanding amounts would you please bring your account up to date as soon as possible. Many thanks.

**Sickness**

Unfortunately there have been quite a few cases of sickness and diarrhoea in the school. Can we please remind you that children must refrain from school for 48 hours after their last symptoms.

**Parents Play Team meeting.**

The new date for the next meeting is Friday 26 March @ 1.30 - 3.00.

#### **End of Term 4**

Term 4 ends for the Easter holidays on 1 April and we look forward to seeing everyone back in school on Monday 19 April.

#### **PTFA News**

##### **PTFA Family Bingo Night, March 26<sup>th</sup> 6.00pm - around 8pm**

There will be a form to sign up for this to help give us an idea of numbers attending - either attached to the blackboard at the school gate or in the Foyer (depending on the weather!). After last year's successful evening we are expecting a bumper crowd! Everyone is welcome - children and adults, but all children must be accompanied by an adult. The cost will be 50p per game, payable on the night. There will be a bar and bar snacks will also be available. We hope to see you there!

##### **Flowers for Someone You Love**

We hope you liked your flowers that the children brought home on Friday. This is an Emersons Green tradition and something we picked up from an international visit to Estonia some years ago. Thank you to Sainsburys for their generous contribution towards the cost.

##### **Invitation Books**

Thank you to everyone who bought a book, 58 were sold in total - the amount raised in commission was £387 which is fantastic.

##### **Book Fair**

Thank you to everyone who supported the Book Fair - it was a great success! The teachers are in the process of drawing up a wish list of books to buy with the commission earned on your purchases (approx £285 of commission), so the children will soon be benefiting from this event - many thanks!

##### **Easter Colouring Competition**

Junior and Infants Easter colouring competition - please pick up a colouring sheet from the trays in the foyer. 20p each - please put money in the honesty tin next to the trays. All completed entries need the pupils name and class details on the reverse - please place these in the tray marked 'completed' by **MARCH 26TH**, again in the foyer. Winning entries will be notified before the Easter break - good luck!!

##### **Second Hand Books**

Once again we will be having a second hand book sale shortly after Easter - please can you donate any books you no longer want - children's or adults. There is a book donation drop box in the foyer.

##### **PTFA recent spending**

All classes have now received a grant for their £150.00 bid to buy something for their classrooms. Look out on the PTFA notice board soon for details of some of the things that have been bought.

We have recently granted £100 to Mr Hemmings to buy plants for the bare patch to the right of the Infant cloakroom doors. This is to support Year 1's topic of 'Growing' and will also support 'Outdoor Learning' - a whole school improvement priority. We hope you agree that Mr Hemmings and the children have done a fantastic job!