



Emersons Green Primary School

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Staff News

Mrs Moorman teacher of Reception class has started her maternity leave and is expecting her baby in the next couple of weeks. We wish her luck and can't wait to meet the next Emersons Green baby. We have now appointed a new teacher - Mrs Emmeline Smith for the Reception class. Mrs Smith joined us this week and has been able to work alongside our final year student Luke Stedman and HLTA Sue Pope and has had a lovely week getting to know the children. Mrs Smith is around at the end of each day - please feel free to come and say hello. Mrs Smith has had the opportunity to meet parents of next year's Reception class at our New Parents evening this week.

Mrs Nicola Bickerton (nee Lane) is returning to school on 21st June following her maternity leave and will be teaching Y3. Mrs Bickerton will have reduced working hours so she can spend some time at home with baby Evie. Mr Hemmings Deputy Headteacher will be taking the class for 1½ days week.

We would like to express our thanks to Miss Jessica Carew who has been teaching Y3 in Mrs Bickerton's absence. Miss Carew has done a fantastic job and we will be sorry to see her go. We wish her luck in her new teaching role in Cherry Garden Primary School.

Wheelsathon

What a fabulous day we had. The decorations on scooters, wheelchairs, bikes etc were fantastic. Thank you for all your support. Please send in your sponsor money as soon as possible and we will keep you informed of the amount we have raised. Half of the money raised will go to school and the other half will be donated to the NSPCC, in memory of Suni Norman, as this was her charity. We had some bicycle maintenance workshops for Yr.5 and 6 from Mr Bishop and a unicycle demonstration by Callum Weaver. The children enjoyed these events.

Sports week

Next week is Sports week when we have a wide range of sporting activities for the children. We start the week with an opening ceremony and the Emersons Green 'flame' (it's not real fire!) will be passed from class to class. The children have written their own sporting pledges which some children will read out and Florence Skidmore (Y5) and Rosie Barker (Y4) will be dancing for us.

On Tuesday 15th June parents, grandparents and friends are invited to join us for our Sports morning (weather permitting) on the field from about 9.15 am. The children will partake in inclusive and competitive sports throughout the morning. Please bring picnic chairs, blankets etc for your comfort. We ask that all parents remain on the bank by the infant canopy and not mix with the children. We have to ensure all the children are safe and can't allow adults to wander freely. Many thanks.

All children know what team they are in for Sports day. Please can the children wear a T shirt in their team colour - it really helps the organisation and spectators can see the teams clearly. It also gives the children a feeling of team spirit if you are unsure of your child's team or colour please jot a note in the Home School Diary. Children in R and Y1 have already got reminders in their Home School Diaries. As always we are in need of extra help on the day. If you can help, please let Mrs Sandiford or Mrs Pope know.

Water bottles

We have very long queues of children at the water fountain. It is so much better for children to have their own water bottle which they can keep topped up and drink from at anytime. Water bottles can be purchased from the school office at a cost of £1.20. Please make sure your child has a water bottle for Sports week.

After School Football Club

The After School club football will be held on Monday 21st June instead of Wednesday 23rd June as England will be playing a match on the Wednesday and it is early kick-off!

Yr. 6 Parents

Tuesday 15th June at 3.00pm. There is an opportunity for Yr6 parents to meet with Miss Mountford and Ms Chambers to discuss Drugs Education/Curriculum for Term 6.

KS2 Performance-Y4,5,6

The dates for the performance of Cinderella and Rockerfella have now been confirmed:

Wednesday 14th July – 2.00pm

Thursday 15th July – 7.00pm

The children need to be in school for the performances. If, for any reason, they will not be in school, please let their teacher know as soon as possible.

Play

We are stocking our new shed on the playground with 'junk' for the children to play creatively at break times. We are still in need of old tyres, crates (e.g. milk, bread), old sheets, duvet covers, blankets (great for den making), old clothes horses, carpet tubes, steering wheels - anything you think a child will play with. All donations greatly received.

Collecting

We are still collecting Tesco and Sainsbury's vouchers and plastic milk bottle tops. We also have tubs for recycling used domestic batteries.

Parking

We have received a complaint from one of our local neighbours about parking. Please be considerate and do not park over people's driveways and try to park away from the school site. Many thanks.

HAIRSPRAY – The Musical

Payment for tickets is now due. Tickets are £30.50 each. Please make cheques payable to Emersons Green Primary. Please send in your payment by Wednesday 16th June.

THE SOUND OF MUSIC

We have also reserved tickets for **The Sound of Music** at the Hippodrome on Wednesday 17th November 2010. Connie will be in this performance. Tickets are £35.50 each. Payment for these will have to be made to school by Friday 2nd July. Please complete the reply slip at the bottom of this Newsletter. We thought the Sound of Music would be a nice Christmas Treat as we will not be booking the Pantomime this year.

PTFA News & Events

Mangotsfield Festival

Tomorrow is the Festival where we will be holding a stall so come and visit us and have a go on the Tombola, have your face painted or buy some England supporters gear! There is always a lovely atmosphere at the festival and it's great to see so many people come and support us in raising funds for school. The fair opens at around 10.00am after the main parade from Mangotsfield.

Cowboys and Indians

Our next event is on Friday 9th July 5.30 – 8.30pm. Dust off your cowboy boots and come and have some fun at The Emersons Green Corral! There will be Line Dancing, a BBQ, gold panning, tin can alley, hair braiding, Wanted Poster game (featuring our very own bandit and gringo teachers!) a Fancy Dress competition and more. Saloon doors open at 5.30pm – no spitting, no swearing and leave your guns at the door!

Appeal

Do you have any unwanted presents? Smellies? Party Bag leftovers? We are always grateful to receive any good quality items that we can use in raffles and tombolas throughout the year. If you have anything that is suitable for this purpose please consider donating it to PTFA to help raise funds for school. There is a donation drop box in the foyer if you think that you can help us.

Sports Day Cafe

Tea, coffee and cold drinks will be on sale at Sports Day – Tuesday 15th June at approximately 9.15. Bring along your own blanket or chairs to sit on.

Do you own or work for a local business?

We are giving local businesses the opportunity to sponsor an activity at our Wild West event (details above). There will be a program and space on each stall for details of your business to be displayed. Please contact Vic or Jules (email addresses above) for further details before June 25th if you would like to reserve a space for your advert.

REPLY SLIP – SOUND OF MUSIC

I would like to reserve _____ adult and _____ children tickets for the Sound of Music on Wednesday 17th November 2010. Tickets are £35.50 each. Payment does not have to be made yet – a reminder will be sent later – but it is due in to school by Friday 2nd July.

NAME OF CHILD: _____ CLASS: _____ SIGNED: _____