

Newsletter



HUNTER'S BAR INFANT SCHOOL FEBRUARY 2010

SCHOOL DATES FOR YOUR DIARY – see overleaf.

SOMETHING SPECIALTHE PYJAMA DAY organised by children in Year 2, to raise money for the Haiti Earthquake Disaster, raised a total of £455.20 in just one day!!

Many thanks to everyone for your astounding generosity. The money has already been donated to The Red Cross.

SAFEGUARDING AND SECURITY

- Improvements to the site security of the school grounds for Hunter's Bar Infant and Junior Schools

The Infant and Junior School have separate Governing bodies. Recently though, both have worked together on a joint site security issue – ***that of managing the safe access of visitors to our site during the day, whilst children are in school.***

The Governing bodies understand that this process will be reassuring for many parents and carers. The safeguarding of our children is paramount and, in evaluating the current arrangement of free access to the site, we recognise it does not demonstrate the high standard of care we would wish for our children.

Work to improve site security may begin during the Easter holiday period. Changes to the current arrangements will not effect the current system of free access for parents at identified times – such as the start or end of each school day.

We will communicate with parents and carers just as soon as we have more detail.

PARENT DROP-IN SESSIONS

On Tuesday, 23 February 2010 – 9.00am in the ICT Suite (next to class 3)

Our Parent Support Advisors are holding a drop-in session for you to find out what's on offer for parents in Sheffield. Sheffield Information Link will be on hand to tell you about free out of school activities for your children and where to find the answers to any queries you may have regarding care for your child.

In addition, following on from the fantastic success of our trail blazing Positive Parenting Programme, we would like to offer more parents the opportunity to access this **top quality free programme**. Find out more and have your say about when these courses should be offered. Would you like a weekend programme or an evening course? Would you like training in how to support your child in ICT?, Support you child's emotional development?, Contribute to our parent "wish list " for future programmes?

HSA NEWS

❖ The Home Produce sale held on Tuesday, 9 February raised an **impressive £155.87**, so a huge thank you to everyone who donated items or came along and bought some of the lovely items on offer.

❖ Dates for Your Diary

Prize Pub Quiz – Wednesday 24 February at the Stag Pub on Psalter Lane, starts 8.00pm. Everyone welcome. Teams (max. 4 people) - £5, and individuals - £1.50. Come along and sign up on the night.

HSA Meeting – Monday, 1 March, at School – 7.45pm. Everyone welcome!

Home Produce Sale – Thursday, 11 March in the playground - 3.20pm.

Spring Fayre – Saturday, 8 May in the playground, 11.30am – 2.00pm

80's Disco – Friday, 9 July, The Polish Club, Ecclesall Road – 8.00pm. Tickets on sale soon.

PLANNING AHEAD FOR THE SPRING FAYRE

Although May 2010 might seem like an age away, it will come around very quickly, so the HSA is already:...

- i) *enlisting people to form a **Spring Fayre Planning Team** who will, as a group, organise all aspects of the fayre,*
- ii) *starting to compile a **list of volunteers** available to help on the day.*

If you would like to get involved, then please email the HSA at hbis.hsa.newsletter@googlemail.com

HUNTER'S BAR INFANT SCHOOL 2009-10

School term and holiday dates have already been issued – additional copies are still available from the school office

Date	Event
22 February	• Term Starts for children Spring 2 term
22 February	• Start of Switch off fortnight
23 February	• Parent Drop-in – 9.00am ICT Suite (see information on front of Newsletter)
1 March	• Work begins to improve the children's kitchen
2 March	• Class 8 – Showing Assembly for parents
2 March	• Tennis coaching begins for Year 2 children
4 March	• Parent Consultation Meetings with Class Teachers
5 March	• Class 9 – Showing Assembly for parents
9 March	• Parent Consultation Meetings with Class Teachers
15 March	• Early Bird Week begins!
23 March	• End of KS1 (SATs) Assessments – information meeting for parents in Year 2
1 April	• Last day of Spring 2 term
19 April	• Term Starts for children Summer 1 term
3 May	• May Day Bank Holiday
20 May	• Class group photos
28 May	• Last day of Summer 1 term
7 June	• Term Starts for children Summer 2 term
23 July	• Last day of Summer 2 term

NB: Please note that schools are allocated five INSET days. A date for INSET DAY 5 has not yet been allocated. It may be the case that, as in previous years, our school is requested for use as a Polling Station during the General Elections which are likely to be held in 2010 and we therefore await further details of this.