

Dates this term

November

Weds 3 rd w/c 8 th	1.30pm	New parents tours Poppies on sale @ 20p
Friday 12 th	8:45-9:15	School Nurse drop-in sessions for parents - no appointment needed
Monday 15 th	7pm	TAPA (Parents Association) AGM
Weds 17 th	1.30pm	New parents tours
Friday 19 th		'Children in Need'
Monday 22 nd	11am	New parents tours
Weds 24 th	12:00	Year 4 performance at the NEC
Friday 26 th	8:45-9:15	School Nurse drop-in

December

Tuesday 7 th	1.30pm	Reception Trip to Smart Trees * Years 1 & 2 Christmas Play
Weds 8 th	9.30am 6pm	Years 1 & 2 Christmas Play Choir Carol Concert @ Winyates
Thurs 9 th	1.30pm	Reception Christmas Play
Friday 10 th	8:45-9:15	School Nurse drop -in
Tuesday 14 th	1.30pm	Years 3 & 4 Christmas Play
Weds 15 th	9.30am	Years 3 & 4 Christmas Play
Thursday 16 th		Pupil of the Term Assembly
Friday 17 th		Break up for Christmas Holidays TAPA Family Disco

* more details to follow

"We look forward to welcoming you to the above events "

Return to School Thursday 6th January 2011
(Tuesday 4th & Wednesday 5th = Training Days)



Tenacres First School
Newsletter
November 2010



Dear Parents

A warm welcome back to everyone. I will start this newsletter with a few up-dates on events which took place before the half-term holiday.

Firstly, the TAPA "Bingo and Fish and Chips evening" was enjoyed by all and raised £250 for TAPA funds. Many thanks are due to the TAPA volunteers and to Malcolm Hall, the caller on the night. As the evening was so well-received I am sure the committee will organise a repeat event in the near future.

Year 2 Harvest Assembly

We also need to thank the children and staff in Year 2 for their lovely assembly which was performed for the whole school and their parents. The talented children sang, acted and spoke with confidence and flair. In addition, the school coin collection raised over £90 for the Acorns Hospice, the children's chosen charity. Thank you for your generosity.



Year R Harvest Songs

The Reception children also welcomed their parents in to school to celebrate Harvest,



entertaining them with a variety of seasonal songs. They thrilled everyone with their confident and enthusiastic performances. The event reflected how well the children have settled this year. On that note, I am pleased to inform you that Miss Clayton will be staying with her class next term as the Reception teacher who is on maternity leave has postponed her return.

Parents Evening

As usual attendance was very good - thank you. If you were unable to attend please make an appointment with the teacher. This time with the teacher is so important for the children's progress and well-being. We will be contacting non-attendees, so you have been warned!

Many thanks to all those of you who completed our surveys. The responses to "Pay- on-line" for school activities were overwhelmingly in favour of this system so we will be looking in to this more closely. The whole school surveys will be analysed by a School Governor and fed back at a later date.

And now for news about this term -

Poppies

These will be on sale in school next week priced 20p.



Breakfast Club (from 8 a.m.) - £2 to include drink and breakfast

There are vacancies every day for the school - run club. Please contact the office to book a place.

Year Planner

These will be sent home this week - 1 per family. If you would like an extra copy, please ask at the office.



Mrs Coleman

Mrs Coleman, our Special Needs Co-ordinator will be leaving Tenacres at Christmas to take up a new post at St. Lukes First School. She is a very popular and efficient member of staff who will be missed by everyone and we wish her every success in her future career. Miss Begley has been appointed her replacement from January 2011 and she will be shadowing Mrs Coleman this term to ensure the excellent SEN management is continued.

Punctuality / start of the day

*** Please ensure children arrive by 8.40 a.m.
(Years 1- 4)

*** All children should come in to school unaccompanied from the playground

*** If children are late for school, a reason is needed for the electronic system and for our Education Welfare Officer.

*** It is disruptive for the class, the teacher and the child if they arrive after their friends.

*** Please see the class teacher or Miss Shillaker if you need advice or support in getting your child/ren to school on time. We are always willing to assist with this as it is so important for the children to have a calm and prompt start to their day.

