

TENACRES FIRST SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER : OCTOBER HALF TERM
2014

So many thank you's:

A huge thank you to all our families who contributed to our fantastic Harvest collection for Redditch Food-bank. Thomas & Holly are pictured with Richard Sturdy who led the assembly on Monday about this worthwhile cause. Richard took over 15 crates of tins and dried food back with him! This will be used to support families in need in the local area.



Well done

to our Reception stars for their fabulous performance of Harvest Songs on Tuesday 21st October. I know parents will agree that their singing was magical.



Our school choir, led by Miss Longfils and Miss Hurley, performed at The Primrose Charity Gala on Friday 10th October. Again, a huge thank you to all involved and to the family members and staff that joined us.

On behalf of the staff at Tenacres I would like to wish all our families a safe and enjoyable half term holiday and look forward to seeing you all on Monday 3rd November.

Miss Marshall



OUR YEAR 4 COMPETITION WINNERS

JACK'S VISIT TO LONDON

We are very proud of Jack Jarrett (Yr4) who won a competition organised by Worcestershire Speech & Language Therapy Service. Jack's prize was a trip to London to visit the Houses of Parliament. He is writing all about his visit for our website.

Poetry competition winner Kiera Brown went with her 4W classmates to Plymouth Road Memorial Gardens on Tuesday 21st October to plant an oak tree to commemorate the 100 year anniversary of the First World War. Kiera's poem was chosen as the winning entry in a competition organised by The Royal British Legion and Redditch Borough Council.

We will, as usual, be supporting the Poppy Appeal by selling poppies in school after half term.

CHRISTMAS PERFORMANCES

The safeguarding of our children is paramount at Tenacres. With this in mind we have arranged for the Dress Rehearsals of all our Year Group performances to be filmed this year. This will be available on DVD to buy.

Photographs of your child may be taken after the performance to parents. Parents and carers will be able to enjoy the performance and the DVDs will make great stocking fillers for friends and family. Details to follow.

CURRICULUM VISITS

Children in Years 2 & 4 visited Warwick Castle & Birmingham Sealife Centre this half term. The children thoroughly enjoyed their days out as you can see from the photos below.



HALF TERM UNIFORM SALE

Clive Mark Schoolwear shop in Redditch town centre are offering a 20% discount off all stock.

Friday 24th October—Monday 3rd November (inclusive)

Dates For Your Diary

Autumn Term 2014	
27 October to 31 October	Half term
13 November	Open Day Yr 3 Oliver Twist Assembly
4 December	Yr 3 Trip (details to follow)
9 December	Yrs 1&2 Xmas play (pm)
10 December	Yrs 1&2 Xmas play (am)
11 December	Reception Xmas play (am) Xmas lunch (details to follow)
16 December	Yrs 3&4 Xmas play (pm)
17 December	Yrs 3&4 Xmas play (am)
Fri 19 December	End of Term - School closes for Christmas
Spring Term 2015	
Mon 5 January	(Teacher Day - School closed to pupils)
Tue 6 January	Start of Term - School opens
16 to 20 February	Half Term
Fri 27 March	End of Term - School closes for Easter
Summer Term 2015	
Mon 13 April	Start of Term - School opens
Mon 4 May	May Day Bank Holiday
25 to 29 May	Half Term
Mon 1 June	(Teacher Day - School closed to pupils)
Fri 17 July	End of Term - School closes for Summer

Book Fair – As a result of another successful Book Fair we have received nearly £400 to spend on books for school.

Reminders

We have received a number of complaints recently from our neighbours regarding parking in the area around the school. We would like to remind parents to please park considerately and not to leave vehicles over drive-ways and in residents-only areas.

It has come to our attention that dogs are being brought onto the playground. This can be very frightening for some of our younger children and we would remind parents that dogs are not allowed on school grounds *even if they are being carried.*