

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



TENACRES FIRST SCHOOL  
NEWSLETTER  
JANUARY 2009



### January

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> Year 3 swimming (every Tuesday for 10 wks)  
Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> Pantomime in school 'Beauty & the Beast'  
Funded by TAPA : thank you!  
Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> Year 4 trip to Dudley Museum \*

### February

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> Parents Evening \*  
Friday 13<sup>th</sup> TAPA Bingo \*  
Break up for half term

\* more details to follow

*Return to school Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February*

*Easter break : Monday 6<sup>th</sup> April - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> April inclusive*

*To*

*Educate and*

*Nurture*

*All our*

*Children to*

*Realise*

*Excellence and*

*Success*

Welcome back and happy New Year! We hope you had an enjoyable Christmas holiday.

Well done to last term's pupils of the term who were voted for by their classmates:

Jamie Waring & Lauren Bligh	1L
Lewis Espley & Amelia Britton	1R
Louis Evans & Katie Boyden	2F
Robert Barnett & Brodie Clarke	2M
Paul White & Breanne Ketley	3W
Elysia Evans & Lewis Williams	3L
Jessica Allington & Travis Turner	4P
Joshua Gumbley & Abby Burgwin	4W

A reminder that our school website can be found at [www.tenacres.worcs.sch.uk](http://www.tenacres.worcs.sch.uk) where you can record your comments in the 'contact us' section.

We are sure you will agree that the Christmas plays were superb with all children performing really well. Ticket sales raised £94 in Reception, £187 in KS1 and £223 in KS2. We will be asking the children on TAPS Council what they want to buy for school and will let you know the outcome.

We are pleased that Clive Mark Schoolwear are now stocking our uniform, which is available from the local shop in the Town Centre and online at [www.clivemark.co.uk](http://www.clivemark.co.uk).



Applications for places in Reception for September need to be in by 23<sup>rd</sup> January. Forms are available from the School Office.

We have 2 vacancies for Parent Governors on our Governing Body. This would involve attending a couple of evening meetings each term and generally supporting the work we do in school. Experience/expertise in financial management, marketing or the building industry (site management) would be particularly beneficial. If you require further information please see Michaela Carpenter (Clerk to Governors, contactable at the school office) or Miss Shillaker.



TAPA update : The Christmas Disco was a huge success again this year so a big thank you is due to the TAPA Committee for organising this popular event.

Please help us prevent the spread of infection in school by keeping your child/ren at home if they have vomiting and/or diarrhoea for 48 hours after symptoms have ceased. This is in line with Health Protection Agency guidelines and school policy.

Just a reminder to please check children's hair regularly for headlice. They are very contagious and children will be sent home for treatment if lice are detected.

It is important that your child's attendance records are kept up to date as we receive regular visits from our Education Welfare Officer who monitors this. Please therefore notify school on the first day of absence and send a note in on return. We were pleased that 48 children were recognised last term for 100% attendance. Well done!



During the cold weather we are having at the moment, please remember to send children to school with warm coats and hats/scarves/ gloves as appropriate.

Our Breakfast Club is proving more popular although we still have places to offer. It is available to all Tenacres children from 8am onwards to start of school and breakfast is provided. Places can be booked in advance on a daily or weekly basis at £2 a session.



Any school closure due to snow etc. will be announced on BRMB 96.4FM