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Educate and  
Nurture  
All our  
Children to  
Realise  
Excellence and  
Success



TENACRES FIRST SCHOOL  
NEWSLETTER  
NOVEMBER 2009



*Thank you to everyone who completed the parents' questionnaire. We were very pleased with the outcomes and the comments we received and these will be shared with Governors at the next meeting.*

This will also contribute to our Leading Parent Partnership Award application.

*Thank you for returning your updated data catchment forms. Please always make sure we are kept up to date with any changes, particularly addresses or medical details and mobile phone numbers as we use text messaging. We have received very positive feedback about text messaging and our year planners so thank you.*

We were pleased to see so many parents and relatives at the Year 2 Harvest Assembly in October. We hope you enjoyed it as much as we did!

Congratulations to the winners of the 'boot competition' and thank you to all those who entered. We raised £29, which will be given to the RSPCA, the charity chosen by pupils.

*We were very proud of our Choir who performed at the Civic Service of the Mayor of Redditch at St. Stephens Church in October. Well done! They are next due to perform at Kingsley College on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> December in a concert organised by our new Chair of Governors, Sam Gorton and Miss Russell. We hope you will support this event as enthusiastically as the Church performance.*



# Dates for your wall planner

On the recent Training day, staff were involved in Performance Management, Outdoor Learning and Subject Leadership. It was a busy day so the hot dogs in the Forest School were very welcome at lunchtime! Thank you to Mrs Poynton for organising this.

School improvements. Recent works include; the Reception kitchen area has been renovated and the Year 3 cloakroom refurbished. We are very excited about the IT Suite which is currently being completely upgraded and will notify you when it is finished.

*Poppies are on sale in school this week at a cost of 50p.*



A few reminders. We are very proud of pupils' attendance records here at Tenacres but there is still room for improvement with our current levels at 95%. Please keep up the good work by bringing your child/ren to school on time every day and if they do have to have a day off school, notify us on the first day of absence and send a note in on their return. Thank you.



*Please remember to send children to school with PE kits and swimming kits on the days they have those lessons as detailed in your curriculum information.*

Please ensure all dinner money is sent into school in a named envelope (which can be bought from school for £2) and that the amount is correct as change cannot be given although money can be carried over to the next day or week.



## November

Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup>		Gifted & Talented Art Project @ Ipsley (6 x Year 3 pupils) *
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup>		Offenham First School visiting Year 3
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup>		Year 3 trip to Dudley Museum * Children in Need *
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup>		Whole School Mini Marathon sponsor event *
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup>		TAPA meeting

## December

Saturday 5 <sup>th</sup>		Choir : Concert at Kingsley College *
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup>	1.30pm	Years 1 & 2 Christmas Play
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Years 1 & 2 Christmas Play
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup>	1.30pm	Reception Christmas Play
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup>	1.30pm	Years 3 & 4 Christmas Play
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Years 3 & 4 Christmas Play
Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup>		Year 3 visit to Ibstock House *
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup>	9.30am	Pupil of the Term Assembly
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup>		Break up TAPA Family Disco *

\* more details to follow

*Return Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2010*

*(Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January = Staff training day)*

