

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.

Applications for places in Reception for September need to be in by 15th January. Forms are available from the School Office.

Dates for your planner

December

Monday 6 th	7pm	TAPA Meeting
Tuesday 7 th		Reception Trip to Smart Trees
	1.30pm	Years 1 & 2 Christmas Play
Weds 8 th	9.30am	Years 1 & 2 Christmas Play
	6pm	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
	6.30 - 8pm	TAPA Family Disco

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

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

Have a very Happy Christmas!



Tenacres First School Newsletter December 2010



Dear Parents



'Friendly Friday' for Children in Need

Children had a brilliant time playing games with their friends and raising money for Children In Need. Thanks to your generosity we raised a massive £215.63.



Year 4 children performed exceptionally well at the 'Young Voices' concert at the LG Arena recently where they joined with children from other schools to sing in unison and perform alongside professional singers and dancers. The resulting event was breathtaking and thoroughly enjoyed by children and very much appreciated by staff and parents. A big thank you to Miss Russell!



Year 3 'Viking Day'

Thank you to all the creative parents and Year 3 children who put together such fantastic costumes, we were very impressed! Children had a lovely day being Vikings and doing cross stitch, weaving, dyeing material with naturally sourced dyes, enjoying Viking food and drink and listening to Viking tales!

Thank you to Mrs Hirst & Miss Wells for organising the day.

TAPA News

The next TAPA meeting is at 7pm on Monday (6th December), with refreshments! Please come along if you are willing to help the Committee in any way, no matter how small, (they are still looking for a secretary for example). The Committee is in serious danger of having to disband if no new members are recruited. This would be a huge loss for school as they run many very popular events including, school discos, bingo and of course our immensely successful annual school fete. With the money they raise they buy many extras for the children and fund our annual pantomime in January which is a very enjoyable event presented in school by a professional pantomime company.



Tickets for the Family Christmas Disco will be on sale from Monday at a cost of £4 per family. Please purchase tickets from Miss Shillaker or Mrs Walters.

Christmas Productions : dates and times are as follows:

Years 1 & 2 : Tuesday 7th December @ 1:30pm
Years 1 & 2 : Wednesday 8th December @ 9:30am
Reception : Thursday 9th December @ 1:30pm
Years 3 & 4 : Tuesday 14th December @ 1:30pm
Years 3 & 4 : Wednesday 15th December @ 9:30am

Tickets are limited to 2 per child (not per performance) for fire regulation purposes. If there are any spares available they will be issued on a first come, first served, basis.

Poppies

Thank you to everyone who purchased poppies and therefore contributed to the Royal British Legion, a very worthwhile cause. You raised £56.70. Thank you.



Year Planner

We still have spare copies available for anyone who would find it useful e.g. grandparents, childminders. Please ask at the Office.



In the unlikely event of school closure for any reason, we will text all parents and you can also check on the County Council website: www.worcestershire.gov.uk, by calling the Worcestershire Hub on 01905 765765 or listening to local radio stations.

Our local Police Community Support Officers have asked us to advise all our parents to be aware of opportunist thieves at this time of year, particularly when de-icing cars, don't leave engines running and go back inside the house. A lot of cars have been stolen recently in this way. Please also do not leave valuables on display in cars.



During the cold weather please remember to send children to school with warm coats and hats/scarves/gloves as appropriate.

Punctuality / start of the day

We do understand that travelling to school in icy conditions takes extra time but we do ask that you endeavour to get children to school on time as it is so important for the children to have a calm and prompt start to their day. If you need advice or support in getting your child/ren to school on time please see the class teacher or Miss Shillaker. We are always willing to help.

