

At the end of this term we will be saying goodbye to Mrs Kirkby, part-time teacher in Reception and Key Stage 1. She has been teaching at Tenacres for 4½ years and is now moving to Dubai with her family. We wish her good luck and happiness in her new life.

Dates for your planner

We still have some available if you want one. Please ask at the office.

March

Thursday 1 st	Mini Music Performance
Monday 5 th	Year 4 visit to Dudley Canal
W/c 12 th	ECO Waste Week
Friday 9 th	Fruity Friday *
Thursday 15 th	Year 3 Bollywood visit in school
Friday 16 th	Year 3 visit to Balaji Temple *
Weds 21 st	Choir performance at St Stephens Church *
Saturday 24 th	TAPA Easter Fun Day *
Weds 28 th	9.15am Year 1 assembly *
Friday 30 th	Hobby Day *

Break up for Easter holidays
Return to school Monday 16th April

* more details to follow

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TENACRES FIRST SCHOOL NEWSLETTER SPRING 2012



Dear Parents

Questionnaire

As part of our on-going self-evaluation, we have sent a questionnaire for you to complete and return.

There will be prizes for 3 lucky winners whose questionnaires are drawn out in our assembly on Monday so do please spend a few minutes completing the form. All responses are then analysed by Governors and the outcomes fed in to our continuing improvement agenda. Many thanks for giving your time completing the form.



Top Table Award

At Tenacres this week, we have introduced a 'TOP TABLE AWARD' for children at lunchtimes. Every week the Lunch Supervisors will nominate a child in each class to have their lunch at a special 'top table' with Miss Shillaker on Fridays. They will also be awarded a certificate in recognition of their immaculate behaviour and manners at lunchtimes. In this way we hope to reward and to encourage good behaviour at meal and playtimes.

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Punctuality/ Arriving at school on time

Last half term 79% of children were awarded with a prize for their punctuality . The remaining children have been given a card to record the days they arrive on time and in this way we hope the majority of our pupils will receive a prize before the end of term. We would ask parents to support us in this matter but if there are genuine reasons for late arrival at school please arrange to see Miss Shillaker to discuss as we may be able to help.

Nestlé box tops - Free Books for School

Miss Mason, our Literacy co-ordinator is organising the collection of these vouchers which can be found on cereal packets. There is a collection box in the library for the children to put their vouchers in.



Sainsburys Active Kids vouchers

We are also collecting Sainsburys Active Kids vouchers which we use to obtain sports equipment.



Parents Evening

If you were unable to attend please contact the class teacher to arrange another appointment.

Book Fair

We were able to purchase over £350 of books for the School Library with the commission earned from the sale of books. Thank you to everyone who attended.

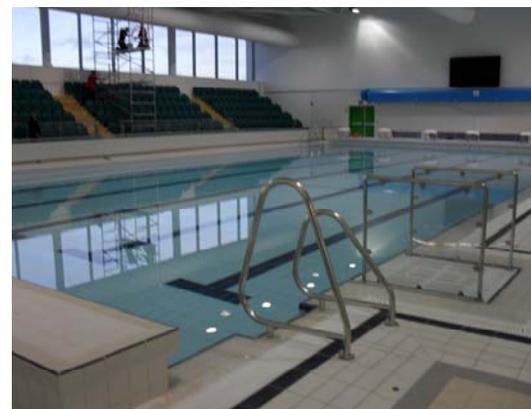


ECO waste week



Week commencing 12th March is ECO waste week when we will be having 'lunchtime crunch time' focussing on reducing food and packaging waste. We will be looking at the amount of food and packaging that gets thrown away and seeing if we can recycle or compost more, reducing landfill waste.

New swimming pool



School swimming lessons are now taking place at the new swimming pool at the Abbey Stadium. Year 3 children were lucky enough to be one of the first groups to try out the new pool which, as you can see, is fantastic.

The children especially loved the showers and the spacious, modern changing rooms and facilities.