



ST PATRICK'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents,

In our belief statement assembly this morning we shared the statement, '**I can tell you how I look after myself.**' It is important that we are all able to care for ourselves and in our assembly this morning the children were able to describe many ways that they look after themselves.

Parents Evenings

Thank you to all the parents who came to the parents evenings last week, it was good to see so many of you taking the time to come and find out how your children are getting on.

Body Shop Party - Thursday 13 November

Please don't forget this Thursday's event in the hall at 6pm. A good opportunity to buy some Christmas gifts and have a bit of fun.

After School Clubs

Monday - Football

Tuesday - computers

Thursday - multi - skills

Morrison's Let's Grow

Any remaining vouchers should be sent in this week.

Christmas Cards - Reminder

Any orders via school should be in by the end of the week. You can still order by telephone or on the internet after this date.

Years 5 & 6 Residential Visit to Lindisfarne, 18 - 22 May 2009

Please send in your £10 deposits as soon as possible. If you missed last week's meeting and want further details please come and see me.

St Helen's, Oldcotes, Carol Service

There will be a Carol Service at St Helen's on Saturday 6 December. If anyone would like to be involved please let me know and I will get you further details.

Swimming Lessons

Swimming is not optional, it is a part of the curriculum. Remember that **I expect all children to take part in lessons unless there is a valid reason**, in which case **I expect a letter explaining their illness** - common colds are not serious enough! If this situation does not improve then I will have to reconsider offering swimming lessons to everyone.

Parents in School

Thank you for waiting outside at the start and end of the day - it really makes a difference for the staff and children.

Diocesan Building Fund

Please send in donations of £8 per pupil / £15 per family as soon as possible please.

Assemblies this week:

You are most welcome to join us for the following assemblies this week, both at 2.30pm.

Wednesday - Deacon Peter

Friday - Special Mention

Own Clothes Day

This Friday will be an own clothes day in return for a bottle for the bottle stall at our upcoming Christmas Fair. Please support us on this as all money raised will go towards improving things in school for your children.

Nestle Box Tops For Books

If you buy Nestle products and have any of these vouchers please send them into school and we will collect them, thank you.

Rags 'R' Us

Sorry for not mentioning this last week, it came as a surprise to me when the bags arrived last week but we had arranged the collection back in the summer and it hadn't got as far as my diary. Please bring in any jumble by Wednesday.

School Photographs

Your children's school photographs should accompany this Newsletter home today.

Teaching Assistant Vacancy

We have a temporary vacancy for a teaching assistant, to cover Miss Hinton's maternity, commencing in December. We anticipate the position being for 6 months. The position is for approximately 23 hours a week and will principally involve supporting children with Special Educational Needs. If you would like an application form please see Mrs Christian. Closing date, 24 November.

Headlice

Finally, I am afraid to say we have our little visitors back again. **Every parent** must be **vigilant** and check their children's hair regularly. The hard work of most of our parents is being undone by the **carelessness** of just a couple of families. Please try to help us all out by checking your children's hair regularly.