

PARENTS' NEWSLETTER

Friday 15th January 2010



We hope you all had a lovely Christmas and wish you all a very happy New Year. We welcome all the children back to school. We also welcome Lucy and Tia who have joined us in Class 1 and Alice who has joined us in class 2. We hope that they are settling in well.

School photographs are on Thursday 21st January. If you would like to have a family photograph with any non-school siblings, these will be done at 9am. We will then arrange for individual, class and family photographs for children in school. If you have any particular requirements please make sure your child's class teacher is informed.

The International Aid Trust has asked us to thank you very much for the shoe boxes you donated to their appeal. They were much appreciated by those who received them. We hope to arrange an assembly with the Trust for the children later in the term.

Absence Reminder

Parents must notify the school on the first morning of absence caused by illness. The law requires that staff record and account for all absences from school. A note explaining the illness should be sent to school when the child returns. (This could be noted in the child's Home/School Book)

In the case of a planned absence due to medical/dental appointments, etc please notify in advance to avoid an unauthorised absence being recorded. All unauthorised absences have to be recorded and this information provided to the LA, the DCSF and to parents.

Parent workshops coming up this half term -

Thursday 21st January - Maths is fun! 1

Thursday 28th January - Math is fun! 2

The writing workshop cancelled last term will be re-scheduled later this term.

If you are interested in adult learning, please go to www.devon.gov.uk/adultlearning which has details of the Spring and Summer 2010 programme.

We enclose the School Link book club leaflet. Please note that any orders need to be placed directly with Scholastic, because the school does not co-ordinate them. The school receives a percentage of any order you place.

Messages from the Office

Please note that we do not issue individual receipts for payments (e.g. trip/swimming/panto) money under £20. This is in accordance with Devon County Council guidelines. We will continue to keep a record of payments and if you have a query about this, please speak to Sarah Steele in the office.

Dinner money

Please could any dinner money cheques be made payable to DCC. **As Sarah is only normally in on Mondays'**, dinners should be paid for in advance (and not in arrears) **on Mondays** (or the first school day of the week if the Monday is a non-pupil day or holiday) and cost **£1.95 per day (£9.75 per week)**. Don't forget you can pay for your dinner money online. To access this service go to <http://shop.devon.gov.uk> (Area-Mid Devon, District-Crediton) or ask for more information at the office.

If you are sending in a large sum of money, please pay by cheque as this is more secure.

If you would like to receive your weekly newsletter by email please let us know by sending an email to:

admin@cheriton-fitzpaine-primary.devon.sch.uk

For up-to-date information log-on to: ww.cheriton-fitzpaine-primary.devon.sch.uk



PTA NEWS

Christmas Fair

A big thank-you to everyone who contributed to, and helped with, the running of the Christmas Fair. It was a very enjoyable and festive evening raising a fantastic £560.00 for PTA funds. Our thanks to all who attended and supported us by spending so freely!

Future Dates For Your Diary:

Valentine's Disco - Friday 5th February at the Parish Hall

Disco by the very popular Little Big Sounds, bar, raffle, chocolate fountain and refreshments. 7.00pm – 9.30pm, entry, 50p for children, £1.00 for adults.

70's/80's Adult Disco - strictly no children allowed!! - Saturday 27th February

Back by popular demand, Dicky D's Dazzling Disco at the Parish Hall, 8pm-Midnight. Tickets £5.00 each, all proceeds to Playgroup/ PTA for outdoor equipment for the new school. Watch this space as tickets on sale soon!!

Easter Fair - Saturday 27th March

Main School 10am -12 Midday

Shopping on line

If you are shopping on line please remember that Cheriton Fitzpaine Primary School has registered with TheGivingMachine™ to generate cash donations for us every time you shop. The real beauty of it is that it won't cost you anything apart from the extra click to go via www.thegivingmachine.co.uk into the online shop. Every purchase generates a cash donation for us, at no cost to you. For further details please contact Nicola or Wendy.

PTA Committee

Officer

Chair: Nicola Nathan: 860088, Secretary: Hazel Norton: 866232, Treasurer: Wendy French 866768

Diary Dates

THIS YEAR IS THE NATIONAL YEAR OF MUSIC WATCH OUT IN THE NEWSLETTERS FOR
DETAILS OF EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES!

Thursday 21 January	School photographs
Thursday 21 January	Maths is fun 1 parent workshop
Thursday 28 January	Maths is fun 2 parent workshop
Friday 12 February	Break up for half term
Monday 22 February	Non Pupil day
Tuesday 23 February	School Resumes
Wednesday 31 March	Break up for Easter
Monday 19 April	School resumes
Monday 3 May	Bank Holiday
Week of 10 May	Year 6 SATS
Friday 28 May	Break up for half term
Monday 7 June	School resumes
W/c 14 June	Provisional date for Sports Day
W/c 18 June	Parent interviews
Monday 12 July	Concert
Tuesday 13 July	Concert
Monday 19 July	Whole School Trip
Wednesday 21 July	Break up for the summer

For up-to-date information log-on to: www.cheriton-fitzpaine-primary.devon.sch.uk