

Courthouse Green News



'Doing our best to be our best'

11th November 2011



Dear Parents and Carers

As part of Remembrance day, we held our 1 minute silence in school today and reflected on the number of service men and women who had died keeping us safe.



Lest We Forget.

The last two weeks have been absolutely amazing in school with the children enjoying some really exciting learning experiences. The theme 'Where in the World?' has been really

exciting and the children have enjoyed learning about a different country. It was lovely to see the children and many parents walking around school, looking at all of the learning on display. As part of this week the children have learned to speak other languages, looked at Art work, studied the Geography and music of the country.

Registering your child for a place at school

Please can I remind all parents to make sure that they have filled in their form registering their child for a place at school by **15th January 2012**. If you do not send the form in your child will not be given a place in school. Forms should be completed online.

Children in Need

To raise money for Children in Need we are asking the children to come to school on Friday 18th November dressed in spots. The School Council will also be selling cakes and biscuits and running stalls at playtime. Please can the child bring in a silver coin in exchange for wearing their own clothes.



Children in Need Disco - Thursday 17th November

Our Parents Group have organised this event for the children. Reception and KS1 children should arrive at 4.15pm and be collected at 5.15pm and KS2 children should arrive at 5.30pm until 6.30pm. **Tickets are on sale from your child's teacher for £1.50 and the School Council are selling sweets.**

Shoe Box Appeal

This appeal is for children in the UK and abroad who would not otherwise get a Christmas present. We are asking children to contribute a small game, a notepad, a book, a packet of sweets, a pair of gloves, some felt pens or crayons towards this appeal. Our Shoeboxes are being collected next Friday so please send in your contributions at the start of next week so that we can get them boxed up ready to go. Thank you for your support in this very worthwhile appeal!

Film night

Well done to Y3 who organised a very successful film night last night as part of their learning in Maths. All of the children that came had a very enjoyable time, sitting with their friends watching a film and eating popcorn. Well done to the team who organised it!

Parents Group

On Monday 14th November at 1.45pm the Parents Group are inviting you to a 'Homework Support' session where they will be giving advice and ideas about how to support your child with their homework. Please come along to this very informal meeting.

Dates for your diary

Class Assemblies at 9.00am

16.11.11	Y1 Cherry
23.11.11	Y2 Beech
30.11.11	Y5 Birch
7.12.11	Awards Assembly

STAFF TRAINING DAYS

Tuesday 4th January
Monday 16th January
Monday 12th March

Important Dates

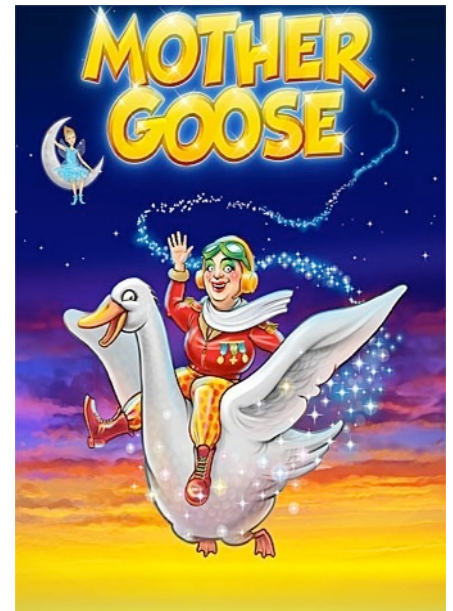
17.11.11	Children in Need Disco
18.11.11	Dress Spotty Day
22.11.11	Reception Book Night 4.30pm
8.12.11	Nursery & Rec to Theatre
9.12.11	Y1 -Y6 Belgrade
12.12.11	KSI Play at 1.30pm and 5.30pm
13.12.11	Christmas Dinner
13.12.11	Nursery Reception Craft afternoon
14.12.11	Reception Nativity 9.15am
15.12.11	Christmas Fair 3.30pm

Theatre trip for Y1 to Y6 to see Mother Goose

We have arranged to take all of the children in Years 1 to Year 6 on a visit to the Belgrade Theatre to see the live performance of the Pantomime 'Mother Goose'. Because we know that this will be a very exciting experience for the children and a wonderful opportunity for them to visit a theatre the school is going to fund both the cost of the transport and also the theatre tickets.

We have done this because we wanted to reward all of the children who have worked so hard to improve their attendance - it certainly is making a difference to the progress that the children are making in school! The visit will take place on **Friday 9th December** and I will send you further information nearer the time.

We do hope that the children enjoy this experience and that you talk to them about it, we shall be using it as a focus for our learning during the remaining week before Christmas.



Reception Hometown

To ensure that the school site is kept as secure as possible at the start and end of the school day we are now opening the main gate at the front of school at 3.08pm so that reception parents can collect their children at 3.10pm. We know that all parents will support us in keeping their children safe.