

BUTTERCUP NEWS

23rd April 2010



I do hope everyone has had a wonderful Easter break and may I remind you that school will be closed for one day only on Monday 3rd May for the Bank Holiday.

The girls in Year 6 were invited to take part in the 'Junior Mayor and Mayoress 'For a Day' writing competition by our Mayor, Councillor Jim Ruck. I am delighted to inform you that Melodie Cherrington's entry was chosen and she has received the prestigious award of becoming the Junior Mayoress for the day. On Wednesday 28th April, Melodie will visit Darlington Town Hall and be invested with her badge of office, have official photographs taken with the Mayor and Mayoress, take lunch at Walworth Castle and be given a full tour of chamber and parlour. Her day will end with afternoon tea and Melodie is really looking forward to the experience.

Could I also remind parents that if girls are wearing summer dresses, then they must also be wearing plain white ankle socks, blazers and a Panama hat. Following the half term break, all girls must return to school in their summer uniform. Hair which is shoulder length or longer **must** be tied back with a dark green scrunchie or ribbon and if a narrow hair band is worn, this **must** be **dark green** as stated in the Junior School Handbook on page 7.

Mrs Mawson's Summer School 2010

Mrs Mawson will be running our Junior Summer School again this year over the weeks commencing Monday 12th July and Monday 19th July.

If you would like your child to enjoy the fun and frolics of this facility, please ask Mrs Erskine for a booking form. The cost is £100 per week and each day will commence at 9.00am and finish at **4.00pm prompt**. A packed lunch will be required each day and casual clothing should be worn. If you need to contact Summer School teachers during these two weeks then please use the Stayback mobile phone number 07938 056 589.

Places are allocated strictly on a first come, first served basis and due to health and safety reasons places are limited. Could we please stress that owing to safety reasons, no child will be accepted into the Summer School unless a place has been confirmed in writing. Therefore, to avoid disappointment, please return the booking form and your cheque (made payable to Polam Hall School) or cash to Mrs Erskine as soon as possible.

I understand that parents received a Summer Fun Camp leaflet recently with their bill. This leaflet explains the Summer School arrangements that are to be provided by an independent company for the weeks beginning 26th July, 2nd August, 9th August and 16th August. If you are interested in using the Fun Camp during these dates and would like further information then please see Mrs Erskine.

During PSHE – ICT lessons, the children in the Junior School will be taught about using digital media and the internet safely and responsibly and about the relevant social issues connected to this. If you have any further enquires please contact Mrs Bury or Mr Mountain.

Angela P J Foster

Buttercup Awards

Infants
Holly Pickering & Rosie Worthing

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CONGRATULATIONS

The following awards have been received:-

Lucy Coates

trophies from Barnard Castle and Teesdale Winter Show Jumping League for Best Overall and Runner Up.

Claudia & Sophia Hall

both received a Die Skischule Yellow Power gold medal for their amazing down hill skiing ability in Sölden, Austria.

Morgann Henderson

rosettes from Ingliston Show, Scotland for 4th in the 70cm Open and the Indoor 128cm

Championship she also came 6th in the 80cm category. Morgann qualified for the Festival of Show Jumping to be held in August in

Staffordshire.

Sophie McEwan

Certificate of Achievement for completing the 45ft high vertical chill skyride and climbing the 45ft high vertical chill climbing wall at Ellis Bringham, Xscape Castleford.

Hannah Raw

Certificate of Achievement for completing the 45ft high vertical chill skyride and climbing the 45ft high vertical chill climbing wall at Ellis Bringham, Xscape Castleford.

Emily Wilson

Kellogg's Rainbow Swimming Award Scheme certificates for 1500m, 2000m, 1 mile and the National Swim Award Level 8



The Fire Fighters Charity will be in school to collect any of your unwanted items on Thursday 6th May.

Here's what to do! Place clean, dry clothing, sheets, curtains and towels in one bag and pairs of shoes, belts and handbags in another bag. No Bric a Brack please.

We would be grateful if you could take your donations to the Liddiard Foyer from 8am until 9.30am on Thursday 6th May (not before please)

Items For Sale

- Girls Bike in excellent condition with stabilizers and helmet would suit 4-7 year old and priced at £15.
- Car seat suit 3-10 years which separates to form booster seat and in excellent condition, £120 new and will accept £15

Please contact

Mrs Michelle Mitchell 07788668201

JUNIOR SCHOOL CALENDAR

(Items in bold have been added/amended this week)

April

27th Bridge Club will resume

30th **Swimming lessons will not be taking place**

May

3rd Bank Holiday – school will be closed

5th U11 A & B Rounders v Durham High 3.45pm (H)

6th PHPA - Recycling The Fire Fighters Charity

Open Day from 10am until 5pm

11th Team Photo - Tempest

13th U10 A & B Rounders v Durham High (tbc) (A)

17th Tap & Mod Dance Examinations

14th **May Ball at Rockcliffe - Sold Out**

19th PE Cluster Athletics at Sunderland 1.30pm

24th Fire Engine visit from 1.45pm

28th Half Term starts

June

7th Whole school return

14th & 15th 7+ Examinations

14th U11 Rounders v Barnard Castle & Teesside High 3.45pm (H)

16th PHPA - Food Festival local food producers, demonstrations and samples. Details to follow

Year 5 visit to Durham City

25th Sports Day – to be confirmed

Patterdale Hall visit for Year 5 and Year 6 girls

29th **ESB examinations to take place for Year 5**

30th Barnardo's Box to be returned to school

July

2nd **ESB examinations to take place for Year 6**

5th All Dance classes will end

6th Prizegiving

7th Term ends for juniors at 12noon

12th Mrs Mawson's Summer School week 1

19th Mrs Mawson's Summer School week 2

26th Summer Fun Camp 1st week Summer School

August

2nd Summer Fun Camp 2nd week of Summer School

9th Summer Fun Camp 3rd week of Summer School

16th Summer Fun Camp 4th week of Summer School

Sept

2nd Whole school returns

We are still collecting:
stamps, household aluminium, Morrisons Let's Grow vouchers, Sainsbury's Get Active Vouchers and old mobile phones.
Please bring them to school with you.



We are also collecting BOX Tops Tokens again!