NEWSLETTER 19 – 4th February 2011

Dear Parents, Pupils & Governors,

<u>Chocolate!</u> - This week all our KS2 children thoroughly enjoyed their visit to Cadbury World. They had an informative talk on the Aztecs, learnt how chocolate is made and even got to see part of the factory in action. We were not surprised that the children's favourite part was the chocolate tasting session! Thank you to all our helpers that supported us on these trips.

<u>Celebration Collective Worship</u> – The Reception classes will now be joining Celebration Collective Worship on Fridays. Children can bring in certificates they have been awarded for significant achievements outside school, for example swimming, ballet, Badgers, to show to the school and their parents.

<u>Let's Grow Vouchers</u> - We have now received our order of gardening equipment from Morrisons. We will be erecting our new cold frames shortly to kick start the growing season! Thank you for sending in your vouchers.

<u>Headlice</u> – Please check your child's hair regularly and treat as necessary.

Parking – Please do not park in the disabled bays unless you have a blue parking badge.

<u>Parents Forum</u> – We will be holding another Parents Forum session during next half term. Please let the office know if you would like to come along.

<u>School Uniform Sale</u> - There will be a sale of second hand school uniform in the hall after school on Thursday 10th February. Please bring any donations of uniform to the office.

<u>Book of The Week</u> - Miss Griffiths' class have been reading 'Little Wolf's Postbag' by Ian Whybrow. Little Wolf becomes an agony aunt for Wolf Weekly and writes a number of letters to his troubled readers – unfortunately he is not always that helpful!

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Thankyou for your bottle top donations! The company have now ceased trading. All donations have been cashed, however we have now been advised to stop collecting.

Many thanks for your commitment to this!

Bags2School Tues 15th + Weds 16th February.

You will find a 'bags2school' bag in your child's book bag today, so why not start that spring clean with a good clear out of all your unwanted clothes? Don't forget you can donate any unwanted clean clothes, shoes (pairs), handbags, or bedding. You don't have to use the bags2school bags, any black bin bag will be fine. **Bring them to the hall after school on Tuesday 15th, or before school on Weds 16th February.** This is a really easy and effective way for us to raise money for the school, let's see if we can beat the £240 we made in October!

Children's Valentine Disco Thursday 17th February

Don't forget to buy your disco tickets next week. They will be on sale outside the office on **Wednesday 9th** and **Thursday 10th February** from 3pm-3.30pm. The tickets are £2.50 each. The reception and Key Stage 1 disco will take place between 6-7.15pm. Parents of *Reception* children are welcome to stay.

The Key Stage 2 disco will take place between 7.30-8.45pm.

COMING SOON: Invitation Books

The Invitation Book is an annual discount voucher and savings directory bursting with amazing offers for restaurant, leisure and entertainment outlets. It could save you hundreds of pounds on going out in your local area as well as fantastic days out if you travel further afield. After even only a couple of uses this book can pay for itself. Watch this space for further details ©

COMING SOON: FunMats

The FunMats Project is a fun fundraising idea that makes use of children's creativity by turning their drawings into quality products. There are seven affordable quality fundraising items including Coasters, Message Pad Mats, Placemats, Kitchen Boards, Mousemats, Small Framed Prints, Art-Prints, T-Shirts & Canvas Bags. Thanks to Amanda Griffiths and Hannah Richards who will be running this fundraiser in conjunction with school.

Watch this space for further details ☺

Amanda has resigned as Vice Chair, however remains as an active member of the committee. I am very grateful for her help and support with all aspects of the BSA.

Dates for your diary

Thurs 17th February- Children's Valentine Disco Friday 18th March- Ladies Night! Saturday 9th April- Kids on the Catwalk.

Next BSA meeting- Tues 12th April, 2pm in school and 7.30pm in ICT suite.

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