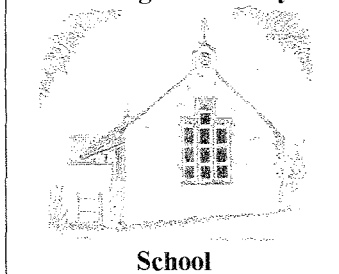


Kilmington Primary



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## Weekly Newsletter

11 September, 2009

Dear Parents,

I start this newsletter by congratulating all the members of last year's Coly Class. At the end of the year they all entered the Young Writer's Competition by writing a 'Mini-Saga' of no more than fifty words. I received news that every single pupil will have their work published in a collection of the very best entries coming out in November. I understand that no other school across the country has achieved that amount of success, so well done. I have ordered some copies for our school library and also to go in the entrance lobby so everyone can read and enjoy them.

Attached to this newsletter is the timetable of After School Clubs operating this term. As many of them start next week please can you return the reply slip as soon as possible. I would also make the request that children who put down for the clubs make a commitment to come every week unless they are ill and that parents tell us in good time if children cannot attend as we are responsible for them and there were times last term when we did not know where children were and had to spend time in telephoning around. Also, parents please do not take friend's children away from school if their parents are late without telling us it just causes great anguish when they arrive at school and their children are not there!

Also attached to this letter are the information data sheets for you to check and return if there are any alterations so our records are up-to-date, and the Annual Permission Slips for you to sign and return.

Class and Office Information Sheets are also coming out this week and I hope you find this information useful.

Please remember the PTFA AGM this coming Monday, 14 September. The meeting has been brought forward to 7pm in Coly Class, making it better for parents who have younger children. Please do try and come because our PTFA can only continue its fantastic work if it has your support and commitment.

Just to warn you that on Wednesday, 16 September there is going to be a large reception in the Village Hall following a funeral service at Exeter for Jay Dawe, the wife of one of our former governors. Cars will start to arrive at 3:30pm so the car park is likely to be very congested at home time, so please be careful. Luckily Coly Class will be at swimming so this should reduce the vehicles a little.

As you will have seen in the local papers, the Tour of Britain Cycle race will be coming to Axminster on Friday, 18 September. The race will be going through the town at about 1:20pm. We are planning to take the children to see it. We will walk the children down to Axminster at 11:30pm and have lunch on the Minster Green if the weather is nice, watch the

race and then walk back. We plan to use the footpath past Miller's Farm Shop down to the Collier's Entrance and then carry on along the footpath. We will need to cross the road and I will be asking the police to help us with this as they have done in the past. We will, of course, be wearing our Hi-Viz Tabards. Mrs Adair in the Kitchen will make packed lunches for children having school dinners. We would appreciate some volunteers to help us with this walk. Please fill in the attached slip if you can help and return it to the school office by Wednesday, 16 September. Should the weather be unkind we will have to cancel it.

This week we have received the items ordered from both the Tesco and Sainsbury's vouchers. From Tesco we have ICT equipment (4 Beebots, cards and a LogIT Explorer kit). From Sainsbury's a pack of playground balls and a Fun Gripper Target Toss. Many thanks to you all for the vouchers, they are well worth collecting.

**Lost Property** - one week into term and already there are several sweatshirts in the box with either no name or the name so faded that it is unreadable. Please look and see if any belong to you and, if so, please label legibly.

Finally don't forget that straight after school next Friday is the Rounders Match for everyone. If you haven't already done so please return your reply slip to the office by early next week. Let's hope for good weather for an enjoyable start of term event.

*Malcolm Bettison*

**NB:** A menu was left in the basket outside the office this morning, unfortunately, it was the full menu side and there was no child's name on it. They wish to have the Lentil Lasagne and just the Shortbread on Tuesday. Please let Mrs Harding know who this is for.