



News from Bridge and Patricxbourne CEP School

Thursday 19th November 2009

Issue 8

Dear Parents

Thank you to those of you who helped with the discos last Friday – they were a great success and were thoroughly enjoyed by the children and staff. The last few weeks have been extremely busy – our Year 6's have experienced Science at Kent College (and the lunch!), our Year 5's have visited the local church and been history detectives in and around Bridge and today Year 1 have travelled all the way to the Horniman Museum in Forest Hill, London. The staff have also been learning too and have been developing their Thinking Skills with Ian Gilbert – the author of 'The Little Book of Thunks'. We are this year continuing to develop our children to become 'thinkers' and 'questioners' so that they really can ask, as some say, 'HUGE' questions.

This week is anti bullying week and the focus is the safe use of the technology (internet, mobile phones, X box....). We have discussed how we can be safe in the playground and we can solve problems. We have also emphasized to the children through the school how the technology is a fantastic tool and has helped us achieve so many things, learn so many things and communicate in so many different ways. However it needs to be used in the right way and for the right reasons and safely. Please could you reinforce this to your child at home.

We are sending each family a DVD home, which is for parents to watch, as there are some dangers that we might not necessarily see. I would also like to emphasise at this point, especially for the parents of older children, although not exclusively, that there are age restrictions on the use of social networking sites such as Facebook. "Most sites, but not all, specify that users need to be 13 or over. MySpace requires users to be over 14. Most sites assume or request parental consent"

For further information please go on www.antibullyingalliance.org.uk

PLEASE REMEMBER

Friday 27th November
Non Uniform day for the
Christmas Bazaar
Please remember to bring in all your unwanted toys, books, puzzles, gifts and soft toys. We would also appreciate any soft drink bottles, stationary, sweets, small gifts for lucky dip, Hoop La and spin the wheel. On the day of the bazaar (4th December) we would appreciate cakes to sell on the cake stall.

Lower Hardres and Nackington Christmas Fair.
Saturday 28th November.

10am – 12.30pm.

At the John Baker White Hall

**Cakes Jams
Father Christmas
Toys Raffle
and lots for the children to do!**

The Tigers' Christmas Carol Service with Bridge and Patricxbourne School Choir in the Cathedral
All funds raised will go the Army Benevolent Fund

Wednesday 2nd December 2009

At 8pm

Tickets now on sale at the
Visitor Information Centre.
Adults £10.00

Children under 16 £5.00

Tickets are also available from the school office.
This is a real achievement for our choir as we are the only choir performing.

Admissions for 2010 into Primary School Reminder

Please remember to register your young child if their birthday falls between Sept 2005 and August 2006 as the process for September 2010 starts in November 2009

Dates for your diary....

Friday 20th November
Year 2 Recorder concert in the school hall at 2.45pm

Wednesday 25th November
Church Assembly at 9.30am
Years 4, 5 and 6

Thursday 26th November
Church Assembly at 9.30am
Years Reception, 1, 2 and 3

Friday 27th November
Non Uniform day for the Christmas Bazaar

Friday 27th November
Christmas Craft and Gift Fair
6.30 – 9pm
In the school hall.

Friday 4th December
Christmas Bazaar in the school Hall
Parents welcome from 2pm.

Monday 7th December
Salvation Army Carol Concert in the school hall at 7.30pm

Fairtrade Advent Calendars

Fairtrade helps poor communities to support themselves and to develop their own health and education facilities.

Fairtrade Advent Calendars containing 'Divine' chocolate are available from the school office price £3.95.

Craft & Gift Fair - Friday 27th November from 6.30 – 9.00pm in Bridge & Patricxbourne CEP School Hall

£2.00 entry which includes a glass of Mulled Wine and a raffle draw ticket to win 6 bottles of wine!

Come along and see all the lovely goodies we have on offer at our Christmas Craft and Gift Fair. Some of the fabulous stalls that we have coming are:

Sweet Stuff sweetie cakes – Phoenix Cards – Handbags– Beautiful jewellery– Glass Angels -Wood turning– Gingerbread Houses– Christmas Table Centres- Decoupage– Scarves, Hats, Corsages and Crocheted Handbags – East of India - and so much more!!

Enjoy a little bit of early Christmas cheer with a glass of Mulled Wine with us, buy your Christmas presents early and beat the queues!!

Why not relax and enjoy a drink and homemade cakes from our refreshment stall.

Any monies raised will be going towards Christmas festivities for the children at Bridge & Patricxbourne School and Foundation for the Study of Infant Deaths.

Have a hassle free Christmas shopping experience or just treat yourself and help us raise money for good causes too.